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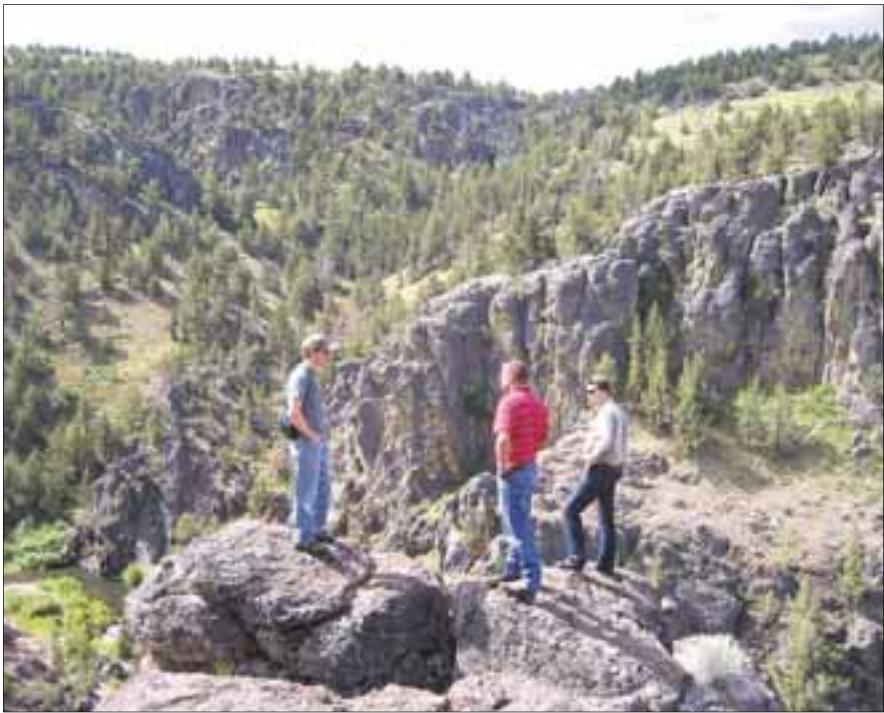
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*Will Whelan, government relations director for the Idaho chapter of the Nature Conservancy, Layne Bangert-er from Sen. Mike Crapo's office and Sen. Craig Ferguson, Crapo's legislative aide on the Owyhee Initiative stand and chat amidst the majesty during last week-end's tours. Photo from Crapo's office*



## Assessments take big jump in county

**Endicott: Impact on property taxes  
won't be known until fall**

Owyhee County business owners may have received the biggest jolt last week when 2007 assessment notices arrived in the mail.

County Assessor Brett Endicott said Friday that assessment notices were mailed to all property owners on June 2 and June 4.

When the assessments began rolling into county mailboxes, the phones began to light up in Endicott's Murphy office.

"We probably have received 10 or 12 calls a day," Endicott said

late last week, "but, to be quite honest with you, nobody has been unreasonable."

Endicott reported that assessments jumped anywhere from 32 percent in the Grand View area to 300 percent for some riverside property owners along the Snake River. He said assessments in the Homedale-Marsing area rose an average of 45 percent.

As he explained in the public  
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## Weekend tour fuels optimism

**Congressional staffers meet with  
ranchers, visit areas targeted by bill**

A staff member for Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) brought back good news for Owyhee Initiative supporters after a weekend tour.

Staff members of key congressional Democrats were in town Thursday, Friday and Saturday to meet with groups that will be affected by the Initiative and to tour the lands the landmark legislation would protect.

"The assembled congressional staff came away saying that they recognized how big it is, how complex it is and how impressed, genuinely impressed, they are with the amount of work and the extraordinary diversity of the people doing that work," John Hoehne, the chief of staff for Crapo's Boise office, said.

"They came away saying that

their objective is to help us get this done rather than find a way to stop it, and I think that was very important."

The core group of 10 people included staff from Energy and Natural Resources Committee chair Jeff Bingaman (D-N.M.), and personnel from the offices of Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho), Rep. Bill Sali (R-Idaho) and Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter.

Hoehne said the delegation

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## Judge awards sewer job to EOC

A city official said construction on Homedale's sewer system expansion would start early this week after a judge in Canyon County denied Lurre Construction's request for a preliminary injunction.

Homedale Mayor Paul Fink confirmed that the city won its court battle with Caldwell-based Lurre after a hearing June 5 in a

Caldwell courtroom.

He expected Eastern Oregon Construction to begin the initial excavation for the project the first of this week. Lurre still has an option to appeal Judge Dennis E. Goff's ruling, but a phone message to the company's attorney seeking comment wasn't returned.

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## Basque set to dedicate center



**Solid foundation**

*This carved rocks marks the  
entrance to the Txoko Ona center.*

Much like their relatives embraced America, Txoko Ona members threw themselves into the construction of a Basque center on Main Street in Homedale.

The result of a whirlwind 18-month project will be blessed and celebrated Saturday and Sunday with the Txoko Onaren Eskaintza, or Txoko Ona dedication.

While Saturday's official blessing and a dinner and dance are reserved for the Basque

community members, Sunday's festivities are open to everyone.

Saturday's events include a blessing of the building at 4 p.m. by a French Basque priest from San Francisco. There will be dinner and dancing afterward.

Sunday's public celebration, which will be hosted by KTVB Channel 7 newscaster and fellow Basque Ysabel Bilbao, kicks off

— See *Basque*, page 15



# County sets date for All-Hazards plan meeting

The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners finalized the date for the county All-Hazards Mitigation Plan meeting during its June 4 meeting.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 26, at McKeeth Hall inside the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy.

Owyhee County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said last week that the county has received responses from approximately half of the 30 requests issued to community leaders.

According to Sherburn and Owyhee County emergency services coordinator Larry Howard, the All-Hazards Mitigation plan is designed to identify possible hazards existing throughout the county, such as floods, wildfire or other possible public safety hazards.

In May, approximately 30 letters were sent out to community representatives of public and private entities in order to hold a meeting to identify hazards existing throughout the county.

The county's development of an All-Hazards Mitigation plan is required in order to apply for

federal grant monies to assist in planning for and dealing with a large public safety emergency.

The meeting had to be re-scheduled twice because of a lack of response from community leaders. Last week, Sherburn said that the responses have ranged from a variety of organizations.

"Fire districts, schools, Marsing Ambulance, Bruneau Ambulance, the (Bureau of Land Management), Pleasant Valley Schools, U.S. Fish and Wildlife," Sherburn said listing some of the groups that responded to the county's request to attend.

Sherburn said that Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman and Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller responded, but said other obligations would prevent them from attending.

Last month, Howard said that the county sent invitations to a large cross-section of public leaders.

Howard said that the larger cross-section of organizations that are represented, the greater number of hazards that can be identified.

— JWB

# Bike tour flashes through Owyhee



## Bob LeBow Bike Tour hits Owyhee 125 strong

While most of the Bob LeBow Bike Tour's 1,029 participants only brushed Owyhee County, 125 hardy souls completed the 100-mile Century Ride, which wound its way through Marsing, Homedale, Adrian, Ore., and Wilder before heading back to Nampa. The event is sponsored by Terry Reilly Health Services and is designed to encourage a healthy lifestyle.

Longest ride  
— 100 miles —  
touches area

Owyhee County residents had to share the roadway Saturday with bicyclists participating in the fifth annual Bob LeBow Bike Tour.

A total of 125 hardy individuals took part in the longest 100-mile ride. The Century ride started in Nampa and meandered through Marsing, Homedale, Adrian, Wilder and eventually back to Nampa High School.

A total of 1,029 bicyclists participated in the event, which included bike rides ranging in distance from 3 miles to 100 miles.

Organizers say the event is aimed at encouraging a healthy lifestyle and is named in memory of Dr. Bob LeBow, the medical director and specialist in preventive medicine at Terry Reilly Health Services (TRHS) for more than 25 years.

LeBow was a lifelong cyclist as well as being a health care advocate. Event officials said LeBow rode his bicycle over 200,000 miles on six continents, including across the Himalayas into Tibet. LeBow passed away Nov. 29, 2003 from complications resulting from a bicycle accident in 2002.

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# Open container issue dead as GV festival nears

## Council nixes plans to replace alcohol ordinance; containers will be illegal only near churches, schools

The Grand View City Council recently abandoned attempts to draft a new open container ordinance, leaving at least one resident frustrated.

City Clerk Lani Race confirmed last week that the city council decided at its May 9 meeting to forego replacing Ordinance 20, which was repealed in October 2005.

With Grand View Homecoming Days approaching July 20-22, the city will use Idaho Code to regulate possession of open containers.

That code only prohibits possession of open containers within 300 feet of a church or a school.

“After we worked all winter to get this ordinance written and re-written, (city council members) changed their mind and decided they didn’t want to have an open container law,” Grand View resident Kathy Knight said.

Knight and fellow resident Opal Ward had worked with city councilman Bill Lawrence for nearly a year to come up with a law to replace Ordinance 20, which was originally passed in 1982. Knight’s mother, Erma Lawrence, had worked hard to get the original ordinance regulating open container possession passed 25 years ago.

“To see something that I knew how hard that my mom and a lot of people involved, how hard they had worked to get an ordinance and then to see it just thrown out, that is one reason I got involved,” Knight said.

“I understood the reason behind (the

original ordinance). I saw what Grand View was before that ordinance went into effect.”

Knight’s parents, Erma and Ben Lawrence — to whom Bill Lawrence is no relation — owned Riteway Market on Main Street when the original ordinance was passed.

“It used to be you couldn’t get in the front of the store some days for the guys sitting and drinking out on the main street,” Knight said. “And you walked through broken beer bottles and empty beer cans (to get into the store).

“They were on the street, not the private property, so the stores couldn’t stop them from doing it, but the ordinance could.”

But no state code exists to regulate possession of open containers near businesses that sell alcohol, according to a state Alcohol Beverage Control official. Idaho State Police Lt. Bob Clements has said the church and school provision is the only relative open container prohibition on the state books.

Ordinance 20, which was passed by the Grand View City Council on April 10, 1982, put a 300-foot buffer around “any structure that is licensed to sell beer, wine or alcoholic liquor.”

Without a new law, the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office will be powerless against situations such as what used to occur in front of Riteway Market more than a quarter century ago — unless there is some type of public disturbance associated with the possession of the open container.

“I don’t want to see us go back to that,” Knight said. “I think we should progress and move forward. We shouldn’t go backwards.”

Knight said that Lawrence was the only city council member who voted against dropping the issue. Minutes from recent council meetings hadn’t been received from the city by the close of business at Grand View City Hall on Wednesday.

Knight said she was surprised as well as dismayed that the city council scrapped plans to establish a new city code, especially after all the work the three-person committee had poured into the process.

“(The council) indicated that if we could come up with an alternative ordinance that they would be agreeable to it,” Knight said.

Since the formation of the panel during the council’s June 14, 2006, regular meeting, Knight, Ward and committee chair Bill Lawrence met “two or three” times to outline a new ordinance, Knight said. She said several other phone conversations were held, and Lawrence gathered ordinance language from other communities to help map out Grand View’s new law.

“We went over (ordinances from other cities), and we put one together and we presented a rough draft to the council,” Knight said. “And they wanted some changes.”

Changes were made, and the final draft was submitted to the council, which then forwarded it to city attorney Jay Friedly of Mountain Home for review. A phone message seeking comment from Friedly was not returned.

“And we were waiting to hear back on that,” Knight said. “In the meantime, I’m not sure what happened.

“They just decided they didn’t want to have an ordinance. I don’t know what their reasons are exactly. I just don’t know.”

Knight said the draft of the ordinance would have made it illegal for any person to consume any alcoholic beverage or to possess an open container in a public place within the Grand View city limits, including streets, public and private parking lots and other public property and private property that’s open to the public.

The ordinance would provide exceptions. A permit — \$300 for a public event or \$100 for a private gathering such as a family reunion or class reunion — would allow for open containers and consumption. Knight said the draft ordinance provided for a refund of a portion of the fee if the area was cleaned, trash was removed and there were no damages.

Knight said she felt a new ordinance would have been important step to the future, especially with expected growth — with or without the proposed 1,600-megawatt Idaho Energy Complex and the thousands of construction jobs and hundreds of full-time employees it could bring.

“I know there are people here who want to see Grand View go back to the way it was when they were in high school and it was a big party and it was a lot of fun,” Knight said.

“One thing I’ve heard from people is, ‘Grand View is dead, and we have to do something to liven it up.’ And they think getting rid of the open container ordinance is going to liven up Grand View, and I just don’t see where turning this into a town of drunks is going to liven it up.”

— JPB



Ramon Olmos Jose Vasquez

## Police arrest two men on drug charges

Two Homedale men were arrested on drug manufacturing charges last week after Homedale Police and Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputies served a search warrant in the 200 block of West Montana Avenue.

Ramon A. Olmos, 18, and Jose Vasquez, 19, were arrested Wednesday for allegedly growing marijuana after officers served a search warrant around 8:30 p.m.

After their arrest, both men were arraigned on felony charges of manufacturing a controlled

substance and held in the Owyhee County Jail with bonds set at \$10,000. Vasquez also was arrested on an outstanding misdemeanor warrant for liquor possession from Canyon County.

Both Olmos and Vasquez were scheduled to appear in court for preliminary hearings Monday.

— JWB



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# Owyhee magistrate appointed to district bench



**Owyhee judge on the move**  
*The nameplate of Thomas J. Ryan is shown in the magistrate courtroom inside Homedale City Hall. Ryan will be moving full-time to the Canyon County courthouse as the newest Third District judge.*

## Governor calls Homedale resident on vacation with the news

Homedale resident Thomas J. Ryan has been appointed to a district judgeship in the Third District Court in Canyon County.

Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter announced the appointment Wednesday. Ryan has served as the magistrate judge in Owyhee County since 1995, and he has been a visiting judge at the Caldwell courthouse one day each week.

“We’re happy for him, but we’re going to miss him,” Owyhee County deputy court clerk Dorla Stoneman said.

Ryan was on vacation with his family and unavailable for comment. Stoneman said the governor called Ryan on his cell

phone in Washington, D.C., to deliver the good news.

“Judge Ryan has a well-earned reputation for being hard-working, fair-minded and thoughtful,” Otter said in a press release. “His broad experience includes handling civil and criminal cases with distinction, and his commitment to innovative problem solving shows in his work in mediation and court diversion programs.

Ryan has run the Third Judicial District’s Drug Court operations and he played a pivotal role in the creation of the Canyon County Youth Court program.

Ryan will replace retired Judge James C. Morfitt in the district court in Caldwell. Morfitt’s retirement became effective April 30. The Third District serves Owyhee, Canyon, Gem, Payette, Washington and Adams counties.

“Tom is extremely professional and well-prepared to follow in the footsteps of a great jurist in Judge Morfitt,” Otter said.

Ryan is a native of Caldwell, but he and his wife, Diane, now live in Homedale. They have three children and four grandchildren.

Ryan earned an accounting degree from Notre Dame and worked for a time as a certified public accountant. He obtained his law degree from the University of Idaho.

Dan Kessler, a trial court administrator in Caldwell, said that the Third District’s Magistrates Commission now will take up the task of appointing a new magistrate judge for Owyhee County.

The process began last week when the Idaho Supreme Court issued a notice of recruitment for the position. Attorneys licensed to practice law in Idaho who reached age 30 and have practiced law for at least five years are eligible. The salary is \$98,6000 and will increase to \$103,530 on July 1.

The position closes at 4 p.m. June 21, and all letters of reference and recommendation must be received by July 6.

Once that phase of the process is complete, the applications will be reviewed by the Magistrates Commission, of which Owyhee County Board of Commissioners chairman Dick Freund is a member. Freund was appointed to the Magistrates Commission when he began his four-year term as the District 3 county commissioner.

District Judge Gregory M. Culet chairs the Magistrates Commission.

The Magistrates Commission will appoint a judge after conducting candidate interviews. Once appointed, the new magistrate judge must live in Owyhee County. The judge will serve an 18-month probation from the date of appointment.

— JPB

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### ✓ **Assessments:** Business owners don't have many tax breaks to utilize

letter to property owners that was published in last week's edition of The Owyhee Avalanche, Endicott reiterated that a more aggressive canvass of the county's property sales information revealed that "land values had gone up immensely."

That, in turn, caused assessments to spike. But the second-term assessor says that taxes may not rise on a par with the assessment increases.

"What we're hoping is that because the assessed values have gone up that hopefully the levy

rate will go down," Endicott said. "That's what it did last year."

Homeowners will receive a break as well because the Homestead Exemption has risen for the second consecutive year — from \$75,000 to \$89,325.

Endicott also said that the Idaho Legislature's decision last year to remove the public schools maintenance and operation levy from the property taxes could help continue to keep property taxes steady.

"That affects all property owners," he said.

But business owners may feel

more of a pinch than residential property owners. Property taxes could rise for the commercial sector, which isn't protected by tax breaks such as those enjoyed by homeowners.

"I would say that there is probably that possibility because the legislature hasn't actually addressed the small businessperson," Endicott said.

"They've given the tax breaks to all these big corporations, and that shifts all the burden to these other taxpayers."

Mary Tibbett, owner of the Hair

Shack on West Idaho Avenue in Homedale, is a small business owner who worries about her next tax bill.

"We may or may not see a significant raise this year," she said. "The possibility is there now, due to this increased assessment. That concerns me."

Tibbett also expressed concern as a residential property owner because the assessment notices mailed by the county apparently didn't show the amount of the 2007 Homeowners Exemption.

"The property assessments still

leave many unanswered questions to those that don't understand tax levies," she said.

Endicott said the true impact of the increased assessments won't be known until after all the taxing districts in the county have a chance to set their levies later this year.

"All the tax entities will go through their tax hearings to set budgets and come up with what they need to set the levy in October," Endicott said.

— JPB

### ✓ **Sewer:** Judge upholds Ontario firm's bid, denies Lurre's injunction

The co-owner of the Ontario, Ore.-based EOC said he was pleased with the ruling, and his company would be ready to go to work as soon as the notice to proceed document was signed by city officials.

"I think the judge was fair and made a fair ruling," EOC co-owner Weston Wettstein said.

Aaron Scharrier, an attorney for Lurre, argued that EOC's low bid of \$857,380 should be nullified because of a clerical error in which EOC had listed the total price for pipe in the bid papers' unit price line.

City attorney Michael Duggan argued the case to keep EOC as the lowest bidder, and Wettstein earlier had stood by the fact that the written portion of the bid, which stated the total cost of the project, should supersede the unit price mistake.

"We're grateful for the result and glad that we can get back on the project here," Duggan said.

Fink also voiced pleasure at the outcome of the 3-hour hearing.

"(Lurre) couldn't prove that there was any discrepancy in the bid," Fink said. "All it was was a mistake in putting down (EOC's) price."

"It was very plain that the bid was 857,380 bucks, and the judge

found that that was their intent."

Lurre, which is owned by former Homedale resident John Badiola, had entered a bid of \$866,166 to build a lift station at the end of West Owyhee Avenue and run sewer pipe south along U.S. Highway 95 as well as east under Owyhee Avenue to hook up with the existing sewer main on West 3rd Street North.

Despite cautionary words from city engineer Fred Ostler because of EOC's unit price discrepancy, the City Council awarded the project to Eastern Oregon Construction during a May 9 regular meeting. Lurre formally protested the award during a May 16 special meeting. After council members rejected the protest, Lurre obtained a temporary restraining order on May 21.

"I don't blame John," Fink said of the legal action Badiola's company had taken. "It's a job, you know."

"Both of those guys do excellent work. EOC does good work. John Badiola does great work. I hold no hard feelings for what they done. John wanted the job. He just never bid low enough."

The lift station will be located on a piece of ground wedged between the south side of West Owyhee Avenue and the eastern border of the



#### Sewer work gets the go-ahead

Crews from Eastern Oregon Construction were expected to begin work in this area between the old Homedale Auto Wreckers property and the Snake River this week. Homedale's sewer lift station will be built here as part of the city's expansion project on its municipal wastewater system.

proposed Homedale Plaza property (the former Homedale Auto Recyclers salvage yard).

Fink said EOC will bore under U.S. 95 near the Snake River bridge to a point on the northwest end of the Homedale Airport property, and the sewer

will run from that point south along the eastern edge of the highway.

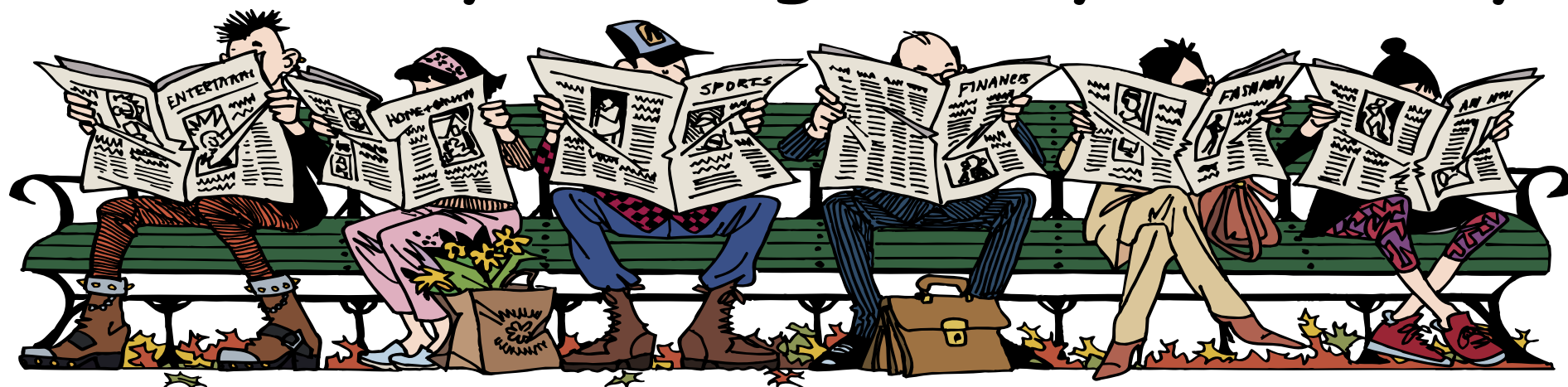
Other aspects of the job include boring under the highway again to connect existing homes on Colorado Avenue to the new sewer line. New pipe also will be run west

from the lift station to connect to the sewer system in town.

The lift station will be 12 feet in diameter, according to Fink, and will be 27 feet deep in the ground.

— JPB

## Wednesday morning in Owyhee County



*That's when the Owyhee Avalanche hits the news stands*







Your finances

Landlord bankrupt, but door is still ajar for renter to buy

**Dear Dave,**  
I've been renting a house for a while, and our lease isn't up until the end of the year. The other day, I got a notice from the bankruptcy trustee saying that our landlord has filed Chapter 7. According to the trustee, he plans on surrendering the house. Is there any chance we could talk to the first mortgage holder and buy the house for the value of the mortgage?

— Glen

**Dear Glen,**  
I'm afraid the only way you'll be able to buy this house is through the foreclosure process. It sounds like the trustee has looked at the property and decided it doesn't have a lot of equity. Otherwise, he would sell it and take that equity to pay the creditors. The trustee then abandoned the property back to your landlord, and he didn't want to reaffirm. At this point, the property is no longer protected by the bankruptcy and this allows the lender to begin the foreclosure process. Now, the lender has a lien against the property until the foreclosure sale occurs. They don't own it. You can, however, try to buy it from the landlord at this point. He still owns the place, even though he's surrendered the place. You'd have to get a new mortgage to make this happen, and that would be tough right now. The bottom line, Glen, is that this is a doable deal, but it's kind of complicated. Make sure you get a good real estate attorney to walk you through it all.

— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
What's the best way to go when investing a one-time lump sum of \$1,000 to \$3,000 for a long period of time?

— Josh

**Dear Josh,**  
First, let's define a "long period of time." When it comes to investing, I consider this to be five years or more. I'd suggest either a growth and income or a growth stock mutual fund. Make sure the one you choose has a good track record of at least five years. Personally, I prefer mutual funds with a solid 10- to 20-year track record. Sometimes people like to play one-time investments of this size on single stocks, but that's not a good idea. Over long periods of time single-stock investments don't consistently generate the kind of returns that a good mutual fund will.

— Dave



**Dear Dave,**  
We've got three kids and are debt-free except for our mortgage. Last month, we started living on a budget. Our house payment is \$1,200, and my husband and I together make about \$47,000 a year. We like our house and the neighborhood, but would it be wise to move down in house — and save about \$500 a month on our mortgage payment?

— Dawn

**Dear Dawn,**  
If saving money is the only reason you're thinking about moving, then I'd say don't do it. Selling your home, uprooting your family and changing schools are very draining — financially and emotionally. Now, if you made \$3,000 a month and had a \$2,000 house payment I'd tell you to get out. Right now things are a little tight, but very doable. It may take a few months of really working the budget to get all the kinks out and see what you can afford and what you need to sacrifice to give yourselves a little more breathing room. Then, after about a year you'll have gotten really good at it and have an accurate idea of whether or not you need to move. Just take your time for now, Dawn. Doing a budget is a money stretcher, and managed money has a way of growing. You'll probably feel like you've gotten a raise after you've been doing it for a while!

— Dave

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Grand View City Council meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Boise Ave. (208) 834-2700, Monday through Wednesday  
DivorceCare recovery support group, 7 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151  
Owyhee Watershed Council meeting, 7 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., Marsing. (541) 372-5782

Thursday, June 14

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020  
Rhythm and Rhyme at the library, 11 a.m., Melba Cottage Library, 109 Charlotte Drive. (208) 495-1063  
El-Ada Community Action Partnership commodity distribution, 11 a.m. to noon, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 337-4812  
Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon, noon, Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 W. 1<sup>st</sup> St. (208) 337-3252  
Owyhee Garden Club meeting, 1 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-5474 or (208) 896-4104  
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893  
Marsing School District Board of Trustees monthly meeting, 7 p.m., district office board room, 209 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W.

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.  
Owyhee Conservation District board meeting, 8 p.m., 19 Reich St., Marsing. (208) 896-4544

Friday, June 15

Celebrate Recovery 12-step program, 6 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520 or (208) 337-3151

Saturday, June 16

Homedale Senior Citizens Center monthly dance, \$3 and finger food, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

Monday, June 18

Marsing Lions Club monthly meeting, 8 p.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N., Marsing. (208) 896-4204

Tuesday, June 19

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020  
Storytime at the library, 11 a.m., Melba Cottage Library, 109 Charlotte Drive. (208) 495-1063  
El-Ada Community Action Partnership commodity distribution, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., El-Ada Owyhee office, 15 W. Colorado Ave. Homedale. (208) 337-4812  
Storytime for first- through third-graders, 4:20 p.m., Lizard Butte Public Library, Owyhee Plaza, 105 Main Street, Marsing. (208) 896-4690  
Pure Word recovery meeting, 7 p.m. Snake River Valley Fellowship, 16613 Garnet Road, Wilder. Homedale. (208) 475-3733  
AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Wednesday, June 20

El-Ada Community Action Partnership commodity distribution, 11 a.m. to noon, Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main St., Marsing. (208) 337-4812  
Bruneau and Beyond speaker series, Bruneau Valley District Library, noon, free, 32073 Ruth Ave., Bruneau. RSVP by June 18 at (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2345  
Marsing Chamber of Commerce monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Essence of Life, 107 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-7001  
DivorceCare recovery support group, 7 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151  
Homedale Lions Fourth of July Demolition Derby drivers meeting, 7 p.m., Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 N. 1<sup>st</sup> W., Homedale

Thursday, June 21

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020  
Rhythm and Rhyme at the library, 11 a.m., Melba Cottage Library, 109 Charlotte Drive. (208) 495-1063  
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893  
AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

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# Bartenders to hold charity car wash

Event benefits  
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Two Homedale bars, O’Henry’s and the Cowboy Up Saloon, will hold a benefit car wash on June 23 at the corner of Idaho Avenue and Main Street in Homedale.

The event is scheduled to start off at 10 a.m. in the old TC’s 24-7 convenience store parking lot. It will last until 3 p.m. A donation

of \$5 is requested for cars and trucks.

According to Cowboy Up bartender Ashley Spencer, the event — held in coordination with the Homedale School District — will benefit special needs children in town.

“All the money is going to the special needs children of Homedale,” Spencer said. “All of us have kids in our families. I have worked with special needs children all my life. That was my passion before I started bartending.

We figured it was an opportunity to give back to Homedale and help the community a little bit.”

Spencer said that staff and customers from both bars will participate, but volunteers are still welcome.

To help kick off the event, Party Country, a band from Washington state, will perform at the Cowboy Up Saloon beginning at 9 p.m. June 22.

Anyone interested in volunteering can contact the Cowboy Up Saloon at 337-3414.

# Gospel baritone performs in Marsing

Gabriel “Gabe” Cedillo III returns to Marsing Church of the Nazarene on Sunday to present a gospel concert.

The baritone has appeared at the Marsing church on four other occasions. He’ll give an 11 a.m. concert that will feature both traditional and contemporary pieces.

The church is located at 12 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. W., and the public is invited.

“Gabe Cedillo is an outstanding Christian artist with one of the richest voices I’ve ever heard,” Church of the Nazarene pastor Bill O’Connor said. “It is a privilege to present him to our community for the fifth time.

“I’m certain that everyone who attends will be blessed and encouraged by Gabe’s outstanding presentation.”

Other Idaho performances for Cedillo have included an

inauguration for former Idaho Gov. Cecil Andrus and the annual Idaho Homecoming concerts. He also represented the state at the Farm Bureau’s annual convention in New Jersey.

Cedillo has performed for numerous civic and professional organizations throughout the United States, including Chico State University, the Ventura Symphony, the Santa Barbara Civic Light Opera and the Santa Clara Chorale in California, the Zeeland Civic Chorus and the Kalamazoo Symphony and the Western Michigan Opera Association in Michigan.

Cedillo and his wife Bobbi spend the winter in the south and come to Idaho in the summer to be with family and minister in Idaho churches.

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# Homedale Friends church holds Bible School beginning Monday

The Homedale Friends Community Church will present Vacation Bible School Monday through June 22.

The school will run from 9 a.m. to noon at the church at 17434

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For more information, call 337-3464.



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## Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School second semester

<b>4.0 grade-point average</b> Hugo Araujo, Anna Cantrell, Ellie Cantrell, Trude Eggesvik, Bobby Jackson, Chelsey Lemon, Leigh Martin, Jackie Thurman, Kathleen Wilson	Lyndie Gillespie, Lee Gray, Chris Hipwell, Nate Hofer, Katie Jo Johnson, Alexis Lewis, Cy Lootens, BreAnne Merrick, Cole Merrick, Brian Simper	Connor Merrick, Brian Meyers, Annabel Meza, Alberto Ontiveros, Sam Richardson, Sierra Ridley, Laura Smith, Logan Thomas	Palencia, Belen Quereda, Elizabeth Rarick, Stevie Richardson, Katrina Schiermeier, Sadie Timmons, Laura Zaragoza	McCarthy, Jorge Mondragon, Karen Morales, Cody Myers, Brittany Rahier, Shawn Servis, Isaac Steiner, Cesar Varela, Stephanie Wiles-Deming
<b>3.75-3.99</b> Courtney Bennett, Nate Black, Andy Bol, Shelby Chandler, Travis Dawson, Francisco Garcia,	<b>3.50-3.74</b> Maria Araujo, Jose Cruz Araujo, Stephen Campbell, Clay Cantrell, Caitlin Day, Alan Draper, Kyle Lahtinen, Jay Long, Megan McLing,	<b>3.25-3.49</b> Ana Alcantar, Kevin Andrews, Estrella Ayala, Francisco Ayala, Torie Edmondson, Antonio Garcia, Alex Meyers, Joe Morrison, Kaile Murray, Lenzi Murray, Juan	<b>3.00-3.24</b> Karen Bazan, Jonathon Burnett, Sarah Chandler, Chelsea Cole, Bryce Collett, Chance David, Lois Fisher, Brenda Johnson, Tammie Knappek, Devani Lawson, Cody	

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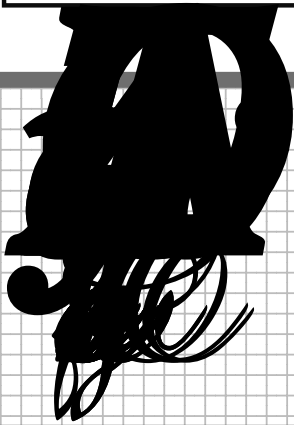


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# NW Nazarene drama group to hold Mtn. View performance

The Northwest Nazarene University drama group, Parable, will perform at 6 p.m. July 1 at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene outside Homedale. Parable ministers through drama at camps and churches during the summer, according to Lance Nelson, the assistant director of admissions and director of NNU's summer ministry groups. Mountain View Church of the Nazarene is located at 265156 Ustick Road in Wilder.

*Read all about it in the Avalanche!*

# Chamber schedules luncheon

## Golf tourney, business directory on agenda

Homedale-based motivational speaker Jeff Blodgett will return to the Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon this week to give local businesses tips on customer service. The presentation, which takes

place during the luncheon at noon Thursday at the Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, is a follow-up to Blodgett's presentation at last month's Chamber meeting. Chamber president Gavin Parker said last week that vice-president and treasurer Brad Dines will run this week's meeting. Also on the agenda for Thursday's luncheon is more discussion of possible fund-raisers for the Chamber, including firming

up details of a golf tournament that is planned for August at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder. "It'll be a fund-raiser for the Chamber and maybe a way to draw in new membership," Parker said. "It'll be a way to get the local business community together." Also on tap for Thursday's meeting is more brainstorming on building the Chamber's Web site and creating the long-awaited Homedale Business Directory.



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# Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation Web site showed that, as of Monday, Owyhee Reservoir was 63 percent full and that 246 cubic feet per second of water was being released into the Owyhee River at Nyssa, Ore. The reservoir held 453,159 acre-feet of water.

The following statistics were gathered from the National Resources Conservation Service Web site at 9 a.m. Monday:

Reynolds Creek				
Date	Year to Date	Average Temp		
	Precipitation	Max.	Min.	Avg.
06/05	11.6	76	59	68
06/06	12.0	62	38	49
06/07	12.1	46	34	39
06/08	12.1	57	35	45
06/09	12.2	64	41	53
06/10	12.1	73	48	62
06/11	13.1	58	40	48

South Mountain				
Date	Year to Date	Average Temp		
	Precipitation	Max.	Min.	Avg.
06/05	26.8	76	57	65
06/06	27.7	57	35	45
06/07	27.8	45	32	37
06/08	27.8	52	35	43
06/09	27.9	57	43	51
06/10	27.8	69	49	59
06/11	27.3	56	39	47

Mud Flat				
Date	Year to Date	Average Temp		
	Precipitation	Max.	Min.	Avg.
06/05	11.4	83	49	66
06/06	11.5	61	41	50
06/07	11.4	52	38	44
06/08	11.5	59	40	47
06/09	11.4	65	36	53
06/10	11.5	76	41	61
06/11	11.6	70	39	53



## Marsing grads gather 20 years later

Members of the Marsing High School Class of 1987 held a reunion weekend earlier this month. The group enjoyed an alumni dinner June 2 at the Sandbar Restaurant, and held a family picnic at a Marsing Park on June 3. The alumni included, front row, left to right: Coreena Archer, Joe Madril, Damon Moysard, Ofelia Paz and David Floyd; middle row: Dee Anna Fowble, Shelley Jones, Heidi Whitney, Ray Usog, Jim Cambou and Alex Avendano; back row: Sherry Deal, Will Squires, Monica Lankford, Raymond Gaviola, Ray Usog, Jeff Bugher, Mark Dines and Kenney Dressler. Submitted photo



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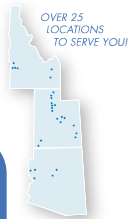
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# Water users director warns irrigators

Continued squabbling over attorney could impact districts in battle with environmentalists

Norm Semanko, executive director of the Idaho Water Users Association (IWUA), visited the South Board of Control’s June 5 board of directors meeting to warn Owyhee Project irrigators of potential environmentalist threats to water use in the area.

Semanko, who also serves as legal counsel for IWUA, said that a recent U.S. District Court decision could spell big trouble for local water users and potentially could dry up millions of acres of farmland, including the Owyhee Project.

But, water users’ groups, including the IWUA, have filed a lawsuit fighting the decision.

Semanko told directors that U.S. District Judge James Redden’s decision would require dams along the Snake River and its tributaries to release water in such amounts that would destroy agricultural and municipal uses of water, in order to protect salmon

under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

“Gem and Ridgeview are both intervenor parties in the lawsuit,” Semanko said. “There’s 12 water users organizations that are actually parties to the case, and Ridgeview and Gem are two of them.”

With South Board directors in debate about whether or not to continue to utilize the services of attorney Bruce Smith, Semanko said that Smith is still listed as Gem and Ridgeview’s attorney in the litigation.

He also said that, because of Smith’s history in dealing with environmental issues, the attorney from Moore Smith Buxton & Tureke, Chtd., is a good man for the job.

South Board of Control Chairman Dan Felty said Wednesday that — despite a vote to terminate services in an earlier meeting — Smith is still

the Board’s attorney. But, Felty said that, at the behest of a portion of the board of directors, South Board will consider consulting Boise attorney Bryce Ferris and his firm Ringert Clark Chtd. Lawyers. Felty abstained from the original termination vote, but moved change his action to a nay vote — thus creating a 3-3 tie — before the minutes from that previous meeting were approved on June 5.

The Board is tentatively set to meet with Ferris on Tuesday to evaluate his possible service to the irrigation district.

In the past, there has been contention over attorney’s services between the Gem Irrigation directors and South Board directors.

“It’s not unusual for an entity to go through a change of attorneys or to decide they need to make some kind of change,” Semanko said. “From my observation, it looks like they’re (Gem and Ridgeview) going through some kind of transition. At the appropriate time, I’m sure their legal counsel will be advised, and they will advise the court of the status of their legal

representation.”

Semanko said that whichever attorney is eventually chosen will have to be locally represented in Oregon.

“In order to file pleadings in Oregon, you have to have a local counsel affiliated with you,” Semanko said, adding that the attorney does not necessarily have to be licensed to practice law in Oregon to be active in a case filed in Oregon. Semanko said it is common in cases that encompass more than one state, but are filed in one particular state, and is not an obstacle for the litigants.

Semanko said that the Board’s current difficulty in settling on an attorney may not affect the big picture, in spite of the fact that Smith is well-suited for the job. However, in the coming months the Board will be forced to decide on counsel to participate in litigation against environmentalists.

“That’s a decision they’ve got to make. We’re kind of in a ‘lull’ in the litigation. There’s nothing active going on,” Semanko said, adding that in November a biological opinion will be issued

that could prompt a legal battle for water users.

“I assume they will either have hired legal counsel by then, or they will decide they don’t want to be involved (in the litigation) anymore.”

Semako said that the IWUA banded together with other interests that use water in Idaho to fight Redden’s September 2006 court decision in an ongoing environmental vs. industrial water use battle. The case could lead to the dewatering of millions of acres of irrigated land in the name of salmon recovery, much as an earlier ESA decision did to Oregon’s Klamath Basin in 2001.

In the Klamath Basin, a court ruling upheld that the Short-Nosed Suckerfish was being negatively impacted by irrigation use, resulting in the loss of water to approximately 200,000 acres of irrigable land.

“In terms seriousness, on a scale of zero to 10 of serious impact on this area, this thing is a 10. There is absolutely no doubt about it,” Semanko said.

— JWB

## Reclamation chief explains complexity of S. Board relationships

Jerry Gregg, West Snake River Area Manager with the Bureau of Reclamation, addressed the South Board of Control (SBOC) about the complexity of its contract with the Bureau during a June 5 meeting.

Also at the meeting, the Ridgeview Irrigation District

appointed Bret Nielsen as a director. He joins chairman John Lax and director Garold Johnson. Lax is the district’s representative on the SBOC.

Gregg addressed concerns of water users and further explained the complexity of the organizational structure and

relationship between the Gem and Ridgeview Irrigation Districts and the SBOC, and their contract with the Bureau.

“You probably have one of the more complex contracts in the Bureau of Reclamation’s history,” Gregg said. “You have a water supply that spans 11,000

square miles. You irrigate in two different states; your tunnel and infrastructure is in two different states; you take water from the Snake River and from the Owyhee River.”

The Bureau created what are called “boards of control” for the operation and maintenance of

the infrastructure of the Owyhee Project Gregg said.

Gregg said that in 1989, the irrigation districts signed a contract with the Bureau, which in turn created the system. Gregg said that part of the agreement led to a cap on the amount individual districts would have to pay for infrastructure costs.

When one water user asked about the possibility of ending both irrigation districts, Gregg said that to dissolve the current system would entail the Gem and Ridgeview being required to pay the federal government approximately \$17 million in construction costs.

Gregg also said that areas of responsibility for each of the two irrigation districts were designed to be separate of those held by the SBOC.

— JWB

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# Basque culture takes center stage



### Not quite a full deck

The Basque card game, *Mus*, is played with a deck that doesn't have 8s, 9s or 10s. **Above:** Many icons of the game have been incorporated into this mosaic table built by Teri Uria. **Left:** An elaborate deck of *Mus* cards features kings, queens, jacks and low-numbered cards.



### Basque remember heritage, salute adopted home

**Above:** Several area Basque families bought memorial bricks to help fund the construction of the Txoko Ona building. The bricks have been laid near the entrance. **Below:** Two Basque flags flank the American flag inside the vast banquet hall at the clubhouse, showing that Basque can embrace both their native land and their adopted homeland.



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## KTVB's Bilbao to emcee Sunday

When Gloria Lejardi went looking for an announcer for Sunday's public celebration of the Txoko Ona Blessing, she knew one thing.

It wasn't going to be her.

So, the Homedale resident turned to who she calls the only true answer to the dilemma — KTVB Channel 7 Saturday morning news anchor Ysabel Bilbao.

A first-generation American-born Basque, Bilbao will serve as mistress of ceremonies during Sunday's final day of the two-day event.

"It's an honor for me obviously," Bilbao said. "That Homedale is able to build this club and open it up is impressive. It's a great honor that they picked me to emcee as well."

While the first day of the dedication is open only to club members, Lejardi and other organizers stress that anyone can attend Sunday's activities.

Lejardi has known Bilbao since her days as a little girl dancing for Lejardi's Caldwell Basque Dancers.

"She has a communications degree, so she was perfect for the job," Lejardi said of Bilbao.

Bilbao danced with Lejardi's troupe for 20 years — from 3 years old to 23. Lejardi's group now is called Herribatza Dantzariak, a name that reflects a larger group of communities from which the troupe draws its participants.

Bilbao, who recently began anchoring KTVB's newscast on Saturday mornings, is an active member of the Basque



### Host has Jordan Valley area ties

Nampa native Ysabel Bilbao is the daughter of the former Elizabeth Eiguren, who is from Arock, Ore.

community. The 27-year-old served as the Boise Basque Club's delegate to the North American Basque Organization's annual convention in Winnemucca, Nev., last weekend.

The daughter of Txoko Ona members Fermin and Elizabeth Bilbao, Ysabel was born and raised in Nampa. She was a member of the first graduating class at Skyview High School in 1997.

Her mother, whose maiden name is Eiguren, lived in Arock, Ore., west of Jordan Valley, when she met Fermin, a sheepherder who had emigrated from the Basque province of Bizkaia in

1961. Fermin and Elizabeth were married in 1978, according to the oral history Fermin furnished the Basque Museum and Cultural Center in Boise.

After graduating from Skyview, Ysabel left to pursue her Communications degree at Arizona State University.

She returned to Idaho after college and worked at KTVB for six months before a stint at KIVI, the Idaho Falls NBC affiliate. She has been back at KTVB for three years. In addition to her anchoring duties, she is a general assignment reporter focusing on crime and the court system.

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# Basque culture takes center stage

## Dog trainer explores heritage with herding trials

Lavon Calzacorta of Homedale has been involved in dog herding trials for 10 years and in breeding champion herding Border Collies for the past few years, but his family's history with the intelligent, high-energy breed didn't come from sport.

Rather, it came from herding and working with dogs going back three generations in the Owyhee Country, when his great-grandfather John Calzacorta raised sheep near Rome, Ore.

"My great-granddad (John) came over from Spain, and they started some sheep bands in Rome, Oregon, and then my granddad, Julian Calzacorta, was on the ranch," Calzacorta said. "When my dad, Robert, was a youngster, the ranch was sold.

"I hear stories about him (John) having his three favorite Border Collies. And, in the morning (when he would) get up — he walked with a cane, which I still have — he couldn't bend down to pet the Border Collies, so he would call to them and they'd run to him and he'd tap them with the cane and that was his 'good morning' to the dogs," Calzacorta said.

"I was basically raised on a cattle ranch out of Arock, Oregon, and we had 400 head of cattle and we had two dogs named Ike and Roscoe, and that was my first initial experience watching dogs herd animals. And then later on, about 10 years ago, I went to a dog trial over in Notus at Patrick Shanahan's (Red Top Kennels) and just watched it and decided that was something I wanted to do."

Since that time, Calzacorta has traveled to herding competitions throughout the Pacific Northwest, and even to Sturgis, S.D., for competition, where in 2003 he and his male Border Collie, Sonny, took 18<sup>th</sup> in the nation in their classification.

Calzacorta will participate in a herding demonstration at noon Sunday as part of the Txoko Ona Basque Center dedication celebration in Homedale.

While Mother Nature has pre-programmed the Border Collie to herd — what some consider an offshoot of wolf prey-behavior designed to separate one animal from a larger herd — Calzacorta said that the dog's handler is a large part of the canine's overall performance in the field.

And it doesn't come overnight.

"It takes a lot of patience and willingness to understand (the dog). These dogs want so much to please you, they want nothing more than do what you want them to do," Calzacorta said. "A lot of it is just getting it communicated, exactly what you're after.

"Number 1, it takes a whole lot more time than people think. We train two or three nights a week at the minimum ... not for a long

time, but 15 or 20 minutes, generally not over a half-hour."

Calzacorta said that working with the dog is a team effort, between dog and handler. That means learning the dog's limitations, and reinforcing good behavior. Calzacorta says dogs have good days and bad days, just like their human counterparts.

"Sometimes it is just finding one good thing and rewarding it. Patience and communication are the two things that really matter."

Calzacorta said that while most of the incentive for the dogs is positive, sometimes corrections are needed.

"There is correction. Sometimes that means taking the sheep away from them ... they're not paying attention and just trying to 'muscle' over things, so you'll step between them and their livestock, correct the bad behavior and reward the good," he said.

But, the timing is everything.

"What is most important when training a puppy or new dog is timing, actually correcting or praising at the right time, rather than being five steps behind the dog. (Handlers) have to catch it at the right point, and that is when it really starts making sense."

While a tough decision, Calzacorta said his best partnership with a dog has been between him and Fly, a male Border Collie, but that is rivaled with a black and white female, Tess, that he has been working with.

As is typical of the breed, Calzacorta's dogs possess a high "drive" to work and please their handler, something he looks for in young potential teammates. He also looks for what he defines as "presence" or the ability to simply convince a herd to comply through the dog's wolf-like stare and intimidating body language, without necessarily escalating to barking or nipping the animals to move them.

"I'm looking for the drive. I'm looking for a dog with a lot of presence and (that) is willing to use their eye to move stock, but willing to give up the eye also," Calzacorta said.

Calzacorta likened a good Border Collie to a bar bouncer who breaks up a fight with an intimidating look and stance, but doesn't have to use physical force to get unruly patrons to comply.

"With a Border Collie, you ask them to go into their livestock and move the livestock from the area as quietly as they can, but use their bite as a last resort. I have no problem with a dog biting, but a dog that just goes in and starts biting is not a very well-trained dog," he said.

"That dog needs to go in and use his presence and his eye, and then, as a last resort, go ahead and take them physically."

Calzacorta calls mouth contact



### Calzacorta embraces herding trials

**Top:** Lavon Calzacorta supervises Tess, a female Border Collie, during a herding exercise. The cane Calzacorta holds is similar to the one his great grandfather, John Calzacorta, used to greet his three Border Collies in the 1930s on a sheep ranch near Rome, Ore. **Below:** Champion herder Tess focuses intently on a herd of sheep during an exhibition. Some experts believe herding instinct is an offshoot of wolf behavior designed to separate one animal from a larger herd for prey.

between the dog and livestock the "grip" and doesn't agree with trainers who over-use the dog's physical means of controlling stock.

"I have no problem with a 'necessary grip,' but sometimes, you see people that have these dogs that are 'sic 'em and git back' dogs. (Handlers) sic the dog on the animal and the dog goes in there and just tears things up, and the next thing they are just hollering 'get back' like they're half-mad at the dogs. That is not the dog's fault. That is pure training."

Calzacorta added that at high-level sheepdog trials an unnecessary grip will disqualify the dog-and-handler team.

While training and handling are part of the big picture when it comes to competition dogs, Calzacorta said genetics also plays a large role. And from square one, he has specifics he looks for in a trialing dog.

"First thing I would do is get to know the parents extremely well," he said. "I would watch them on the trialing field or in competition. Then, I would look for the one in the litter that when you touched it, looked at it or talked to it, it looked right at you. It would be curious. I want a dog with a lot of self-confidence.

"Myself, personally, I want a pushy dog. Kind of independent."

The allure of a high-energy Border Collie is not lost on casual pet owners, either. But, Calzacorta is reserved about recommending a dog from a great herding bloodline as a family pet. Border Collies need a job to do, or they will find other, less pleasant, ways of



occupying their time such as digging or running away to seek distraction elsewhere, he said.

"They are really nice-looking dogs, and they are really smart, and so (owners) think they want one. They take them home and just put them in the backyard and ignore it," Calzacorta said. "The dogs can go 'kennel crazy' because they need to work and need to burn some of that energy.

"If you are willing to put the time in to do agility ... they make excellent running partners. But the main problem is that with that high-caliber dog, if you don't provide them with entertainment, they will provide their own. That is when they become bad pets. Of course, they are going to chase the cats. And, they may even start chasing the mailman. You've got to provide them with enough entertainment, enough work, enough whatever to take the 'edge' off, or they will provide it themselves, and that is usually not a good thing."

But, for a committed owner who would like to begin in herding trials, Calzacorta has a few suggestions, one of which is perhaps starting out with a seasoned dog rather than that cute, fluffy puppy.

"(Owners) need to get some help, they would need to do the research on the breeding that will work for them. There are many different types of dogs," he said. "My preference will not work for another person, and another person's may not work for me. You have to figure out what your 'style' is, then you need to get some help.

"A lot of people don't start out with puppies. They may start out with a trained dog to help them (handler) learn also."

Calzacorta said that there are many great handlers and trainers in the area, and he is glad to provide help to someone new to herding trials.

— JWB



# Basque culture takes center stage

## Larrocea preserves history through food

Tony Larrocea’s love for Basque cooking was forged as he worked in sheepherding camps after emigrating from the old country in the 1950s.

He’ll share the love of cooking with a Dutch oven Basque bread-making demonstration during Sunday’s public dedication celebration of the Txoko Ona building on Main Street in Homedale.

Born in Amorebieta, Spain, in 1931, Larrocea came to the United States in 1951 as part of a group of 250 sheepherders and landed a job with the Archabal Sheep Company, for which he was paid \$125 per month, half of what an American shepherd was paid for the same job.

“It was half of the minimum wage for six months,” Larrocea said, adding that it was in the sheepherding camps that he learned to cook from Alejandro Zubizarreta.

“My mother cooked. I remembered how my mother cooked when I was tending camp. The

difference in Basque cooking is family. It takes a long time. You have to cook it slow. If you cook it fast, it takes like it. You have to cook it slow.

“(Today) People don’t have time. My wife, she cooks a lot, but she cooks it slow and takes a lot of time.”

Savoring the process perhaps stems for the volatile times Larrocea and his seven siblings — Maria Teresa, Juanita, Carmela, Pedro, Mari Cruz, Pilar and Marritxu — experienced while growing up in the Basque country.

Larrocea’s childhood was punctuated with memories of the Spanish Civil War from 1936 to 1939. His family spent 50 days camped under a tree near the city of Bilbao on the property of family friends. Eventually, he and his family re-



Tony Larrocea

turned home to Amorebieta.

“We weren’t the only ones. It was like a concentration camp,” Larrocea said. “Our town and the other towns were moved there during the war. I don’t know how we survived. We had not much to eat.”

Larrocea had two years of formal education at a private school, but quit at the age of 11. He explained that he spoke Basque and public schools used Spanish, so he only attended one day of public school. He said that after the Spanish Civil War only the Spanish language was spoken in the public school system.

After coming to the U.S. and herding sheep for six years in the Owyhees, Tony began working construction. He spent time working on the Brownlee Dam, under a foreman that turned out later to be related to his future wife. In 1959, he became an American citizen.

In September 1959, Tony returned to Euskadi. There, he met Maria Teresa Meso. They dated

for 30 days and were married Nov. 14, 1959. The couple came back to the United States, where they settled south of Wilder.

Tony and Teresa rented a farm from Ben Zabala, but eventually bought land in the Wilder area where he raised beets and potatoes until the 1990s.

Tony and Teresa have two daughters, Susi and Lisa. The family always spoke Basque at home. The girls learned English in schools and eventually helped Tony learn. Though he speaks with a thick accent, he is fluent in English today.

While Larrocea will cook this weekend at the Txoko Ona Basque Center with Ramon Ocamica, he said that traditional Basque cooking is quickly changing with successive generations.

“The younger generation, they change it. They don’t have the time. They don’t take it,” Larrocea said.

Larrocea says that the Txoko Ona center is extremely important

as one of the biggest assets to the preservation of Basque heritage in the Homedale area.

“It is the greatest thing that can happen, for me and a lot of people,” he said. “The second generation (Americans) that have put a lot of work into it: They do a lot of work, and they built it, but their children joined in, too.

“In my opinion, it is a real good thing for the community.”

Larrocea said that the community in the Homedale area has treated him better than he ever thought possible. He recalled a story about when he first came to Homedale with almost no money, but merchants in the area gave him credit for new clothing. He said he never forgot their generosity and to this day does the majority of his business in the area.

“In Homedale, there are special people,” he said. “From the first day I came. They helped me, and I never forgot them. I enjoy the good things in this town.”

— JWB

## Traditional Basque food takes time, creativity

Tony Larrocea’s Dutch oven bread takes five to six hours to prepare. Larrocea says that the real secret, and dying aspect of real Basque cooking, is the time it takes.

“You get a Dutch oven and build a fire and build it a little bit, put the Dutch oven on it and cook it for about an hour,” Larrocea said with a thick Basque accent, adding that it takes at least three hours of preparation before the bread it ready for the fire. “If you want to cook it good, you cook it slow.”

Exact measurements aren’t part of Larrocea’s recipe. He goes on instinct for the amounts necessary.

He said that in traditional Basque cooking, the chef has to instinctively know how much of certain ingredients to use. He said one of the other secrets is in fixing the same foods, such as codfish, with different seasonings to make different dishes.

*‘If you want to cook it good, you cook it slow.’*

— Tony Larrocea

On the secret of Basque food

“Even Basque cooking is changing,” Larrocea said. “We grew up with very little food. Rice, you can make a lot of different ways. Codfish, you can make a lot of different ways.”

Larrocea described many Basque dishes as casseroles that are cooked slow with lots of garlic, sweet peppers and onions. He said that most of the dishes don’t have written recipes and are made with “a little of this and a little of that.”

— JWB

## Tackling Basque cooking at home

For those of us not blessed with a secret family recipe for homemade Dutch oven bread, a quick Internet search will yield a handful of recipes. This one is called Basque Shepherd’s Bread, and is found at [www.cooks.com](http://www.cooks.com):

**Basque Shepherd’s Bread**

2 packages of active dry yeast  
3 cups warm water (105 to 115 degrees)  
2/3 cup shortening, melted and cooled  
¼ cup sugar  
2 teaspoons salt  
8 to 9 cups flour  
1 cast-iron or cast aluminum pot (4½ to 5 quarts, 9½ to 10 inches in diameter with a lid, to serve as Dutch oven).

Dissolve yeast in water. Stir in shortening, sugar and salt. Allow to stand in a warm place 5 to 10 minutes. Add 4 cups of flour and beat well with a wooden spoon. Stir in enough remaining flour to make a soft dough. Knead until smooth and elastic on floured board.

Place dough in a greased bowl and turn to grease the top of the mixture. Cover and let rise in a warm, draft-free place until doubled in volume, approximately 1 hour.

Punch the dough down, shaping it into a smooth ball and place in a greased cast iron or cast aluminum Dutch oven.

Cover with well-greased lid. Allow to rise in warm place, until the dough touches the lid (nearly doubled), for approximately 50 to 60 minutes. Watch closely.

Place the covered Dutch oven in an oven preheated to 375 degrees and bake for 10 minutes. Remove the lid and allow to continue baking for 35 minutes or longer, until golden brown and the loaf sounds hollow when tapped on the bottom. Turn out on wire rack to cool.



**A home of their own**

The Txoko Ona Basque Club has been in existence only seven years, but the organization now has its own clubhouse on Main Street in Homedale.

## ✓ Basque: Sunday events open to public

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with a 10 a.m. Holy Mass.

A lunch of salad, beans, bread, solomo with pimientos and rice pudding will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$10.

Lavon Calzacorta holds a sheepdog exhibition at noon, and the musical group Txantxangorriak will perform at 1 p.m.

At 1:30 p.m., weight lifting and weight carrying will be demonstrated. Both events are predicated on contestants lugging around large, heavy stone objects.

After a dance performance by the Herribatza Dantzariak troupe at 2 p.m., a tug of war will be waged at 2:30 p.m.

The Boise-based Oinkari Basque Dancers perform at 3 p.m.

At 3:30 p.m., Txantxangorriak and the Herribatza and Oinkari dancers perform together.

After closing remarks, there will be dancing on the patio.

A sheep wagon exhibition by the Karro Kanpo Club and Dutch oven bread making by Tony Larrocea also will be held.

Chorizos, solomo sandwiches, pop, beer and wine will be available throughout the day.

There will be booths featuring Txoko Ona souvenirs, Ahizpak designs and information on Boise’s Basque Museum and Cultural Center.

Basque dignitaries expected to be on hand include former Secretary of State Pete Cenarrussa and reps from the Basque clubs in Boise and Ontario, Ore., and the North American Basque Organization.

— JPB



# Owyhee Initiative update

## ✓ **Tour:** Congressional staffers see region's beauty, hear residents' passion

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came away with an understanding of the vastness of the bill, which is designed to protect more than 500,000 acres of land as the Owyhee-Bruneau wilderness.

"We met with them, obviously, constantly, and came away with a consistent impression from sub-committee staff that the trip and tour were successful in that they realize now how big the area is, how physically big it is, and how spectacular the landscape is in the entire area, as well as the meaning of the Owyhee Initiative to the local folks who either live, work or play in the area," Hoehne said.

The group toured areas by airplane as well as walked the land and talked to several people from every interest group represented by the bill, which Crapo re-introduced to the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress earlier this year. It's not known when the legislation, which was introduced late in the previous congressional session, will be debated during this session.

"We came away with a common understanding among all the parties that we are going to push very hard during the next couple weeks, and certainly during June, to refine the legislative language while always being consistent with the original agreement that was struck between the parties," Hoehne said.

Hoehne voiced optimism about the road ahead in light of the tour.

"We expect the committee staff to be very helpful to us in that they now know what the local folks' and the interested and affected parties' desired outcomes are," he said.

"And committee staff will work in good faith with everyone in an attempt to achieve those objectives."

Hoehne said, as always, the bedrock for any legislation is the Owyhee Initiative, on which diverse interest groups, including ranchers, environmentalists, off-road vehicle enthusiasts and the Shoshone-Paiute Tribe, have worked for nearly six years.

"That's the part that tells us all what we're doing," Hoehne said of the agreement. "Now we just have to begin to work the Capitol Hill legislative process and try to get this in a final form that we can take to hearings and the rest of the legislative process."

Hoehne cautioned that committee staff said the Initiative bill was one of the more complex

pieces of legislation they had ever seen.

"As a result of that fact, we're in no way able to predict ultimate passage," he said. "We've always figured certainly that we have a real challenge ahead of us, but we think that the tour and the meetings held Thursday, Friday and Saturday were certainly helpful to passage of the Initiative."

According to Owyhee Initiative chairman Fred Grant, the representatives on the tour included Bingaman chief of staff David Brooks, as well as Craig staffer Mike Freese, Sali staffer Victor Moreno, and Crapo staff members from both Washington, D.C., and Boise.

Friday's schedule included a tour of sites near the North Fork of the Owyhee River as well as meetings with ranchers Dennis Stanford, Tim Lowry and Mike and Linda Hanley.

Grant said members of the Initiative Work Group also were on hand to outline the values of private property involved in the exchange-sale provisions of the bill that will help create the wilderness. Chad Gibson of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association and the Nature Conservancy's Wil Whelan discussed the importance of each provision of the bill with Brooks, according to Grant.

Later Friday, Shoshone-Paiute director of cultural resources Ted Howard led a tour of a cultural and historical site on Camas Creek, which is part of the tribe's cultural sites that will be protected by added law enforcement provided by the bill.

Saturday's activity included work group member Lou Lunte leading Brooks and the chief of staff for Sen. Harry Reid (D-Nev.) on a fly-over of the area, Grant said.

Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman and board of commissioners chair Dick Freund accompanied the group to showcase how uncontrolled motorized recreation has affected the land surrounding Hemingway Butte.

"I think I can safely say that our goal is to get the revisions completed by mid-summer, so that the committee staff can begin their work," Grant said. "As the Work Group drafting takes place, we intend to invite staff to Sens. Crapo and Craig to participate, as well as staff to Rep. Sali."

"It is critical that we get this bill passed and signed during the year 2008."

— JPB



### Canyonlands on display

**Top:** Officials who visited the Owyhee Canyonlands included, from left to right, John Robison of the Idaho Conservation League, David Brooks, Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee staff member, Layne Bangerter of Sen. Mike Crapo's office, Owyhee County rancher Ted Payne, Crapo staffer Ryan White, Tom Perry from Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's office and Vince Moreno from Rep. Bill Sali's staff.

**Middle:** Ted Howard, of the Shoshone Paiute Tribe, Bangerter and rancher Mike Hanley stand near a petroglyph of an elk with a spear through it somewhere in Owyhee County.

**Bottom:** Initiative work group member Lou Lunte shows a map of the area before a fly-over.

Photos from Crapo's office

*'I think I can safely say that our goal is to get the revisions completed by mid-summer, so that the committee staff can begin their work.'*

— **Fred Grant**, Owyhee Initiative chairman



# F&G analyzing WNV impact on sage-grouse

No word yet on whether county hunt will be affected; 2006 hunt was closed

by Michelle Commons Kemner  
Department of Fish and Game

Spring is upon us, and for Greater sage-grouse that means the period when males gather on traditional display grounds called leks and vie for a chance to breed with hens. For biologists, that means an opportunity to count birds and identify population trends. However, spring 2007 may be a little different than previous years.

Sage-grouse populations — like populations of many wildlife species — naturally go up and down on an eight- to 10-year cycle. There are a number of factors that negatively affect populations. Some of these include poor production (low number of hatched nests and chick survival), habitat loss, over-harvest, and disease. An accumulation of factors may cause substantial decreases between years. During the past 10 years, sage-grouse populations across Idaho have mostly been stable or increasing. This is likely the result of some high production years, coupled with decreased hunter harvest

and increased fire suppression in sagebrush habitats.

Spring 2007 may be different because biologists expect that lek counts in some areas of Idaho will show a substantial decrease in male attendance because of an outbreak of West Nile Virus (WNV) during the summer of 2006.

West Nile Virus is a mosquito-borne disease that may result in symptoms ranging from fever and flu-like aches to death in a wide range of birds and mammals, including humans. The disease can be particularly deadly to horses and some species of birds, including ravens, crows, magpies, eagles, hawks and owls. Sage-grouse are also highly susceptible to the disease, and so far it appears they have little or no resistance to the virus.

In 2006, 11 sage-grouse from Owyhee, Twin Falls, and Washington counties and the Duck Valley Indian Reservation tested positive for WNV; more than 30 additional dead grouse were located in areas with known WNV activity, prompting Fish and



**Will sage-grouse return with vigor?**  
State Fish and Game officials are keeping a careful eye on the sage-grouse mating season in an attempt to gauge how the population bounces back from last year's West Nile Virus crisis. Fish and Game photo

Game to declare an emergency closure of the sage-grouse hunting season in Owyhee County west of the Bruneau River that fall. Duck Valley Indian Reservation also closed their subsistence harvest opportunities.

For some perspective on WNV impacts on sage-grouse, consider this. During 2004, four sage-grouse populations in Wyoming with known WNV activity declined by 25 percent the following spring. Biologists

in Idaho are bracing for similar trends. Because hunters typically harvest about 5 to 10 percent of a grouse population, if West Nile Virus only infected 5 to 10 percent of the birds in Owyhee County, then we would expect very little change in lek counts during the spring of 2007. However, if 25 to 50 percent of the sage-grouse were bitten by infected mosquitoes, we would expect to see much lower lek counts this year compared to last year.

It is still too early to say that West Nile Virus negatively affected sage-grouse populations across Idaho. However, preliminary counts suggest numbers may be down in some areas compared to last year. Peak male attendance on leks typically occurs in late April. Thus, counts conducted during the last week of April and first week of May are critical to help us determine the effects of last summer's West Nile Virus outbreak.

Watch for more information once the results of this season's surveys have been analyzed.

— Michelle Commons Kemner is a wildlife biologist in the Idaho Department of Fish and Games' Southwest Region.

## County 4-H clubs hard at work preparing for fair

All market livestock projects have been weighed in and tagged in preparation for completion and exhibition at the 2007 Owyhee County Fair.

In March, 32 exhibitors weighed in 37 beef entries. On April 30, 124 exhibitors weighed in 200 swine entries on April 30, and on June 1-2, 67 exhibitors weighed in 94 sheep and two meat goats. In addition, 12 youth will exhibit 4-H and FFA breeding beef projects, and six will exhibit breeding sheep projects.

The fair runs Aug. 6-11 in Homedale.

On Aug. 6-7, 107 4-H members will show off their hard work in the Owyhee County Horse Show. From Aug. 8 to Aug. 11, the other 4-H and FFA exhibits and shows will be on display.

In addition to the horse, market livestock, and breeding projects, entries in the following categories also will be on hand: Quilting, Ceramics, Art, Leathercraft, Photography, Sewing, Crochet, Forestry, Shooting Sports, Cake Decorating, Cooking, Dutch Oven Cooking, Money Fundamentals, Leadership, Chickens, Turkeys, Cat, Dairy Cattle, Dogs, Dairy Goats, Llama, Rabbits, Rocketry and Veterinary Science.

With the exception of the pygmy goat exhibits, this year all small animals will be housed in the new Small Animal Barn. This was formerly the shooting gallery building that has been vacant for several years. Much of the cleanup, painting and preparation

of the barn was done by 4-H members and volunteers. Moving the small animals has created additional stalls for livestock because the proposed livestock barn expansion is on hold.

The 4-H Cloverbuds, ages 5-7, are getting an early start in 4-H and have enjoyed learning about Cooking, Sheep, Swine, Horse, Pygmy Goat, Dog, Chicken, Rabbit, Cat and Sewing in this non-competitive program. There are 52 Cloverbud projects this year.

Although the fair is fast approaching, there is plenty to do in the meantime. County 4-H Horse Demonstrations were held Tuesday at Marsing Elementary School, and another demonstration is planned for 8 a.m. to noon at the Eastern Owyhee District Library, 520 Boise Ave., in Grand View.

County Demonstrations for Ag, FCS and Miscellaneous will run from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on June 26 at the library in Grand View and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Marsing Elementary.

Call Katie at 834-2902 to schedule a demonstration time.

In addition to their many other service projects, once again Owyhee County 4-H Clubs will be collecting food for the El-Ada Community Action Partnership Food Drive. The goal is to collect 1,000 pounds of food, beating the 963 pounds donated last summer. To donate non-perishable food items, contact any Owyhee County 4-H member or leader, or drop donations off at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office in Marsing through Aug. 3.

Each club has its own collection box at the office, so specify which

club you would like to receive "credit" for the donation.

El-Ada has received donations of prizes from local businesses and will be awarding prizes for the clubs collecting the most pounds of food.

The final weigh-in of the food will be done and the winners announced at the 4-H Awards Ceremony on Aug. 10 at the fair.

Owyhee County youth are working on a total of 572 projects for this year's fair.

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## Racers ready to challenge Owyhee roads

### First Idaho Rally speeds across GV-Bruneau pavement Saturday

The Bruneau-Grand View area will host a unique racing experience Saturday for the 2007 Idaho Rally.

The inaugural event, the brainchild of Grand View resident Jens Schkade, begins at 9 a.m. Saturday when the cars take off in 1-minute intervals on a 4-mile opening leg on Hot Springs Road southeast of Bruneau Cemetery Road.

The all-asphalt, timed automobile race is scheduled to last until about 7 p.m., when the competitors complete the final stage of the 15-stage race with a northbound trip on Hot Springs Road.

“I hope that the rally that I put together will improve the (future of) rally sport in Idaho,” Schkade said. “I have intentions to make it bigger.

“As an organizer, I’m very thankful for the cooperation of the sheriff and commissioners to make this happen.”

Bruneau Cemetery Road will be closed from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday as competitors drive shakedown miles to fine-tune the setup of their cars. The pit area is Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School’s main parking lot, and fans can get a glimpse of the cars and crews there.

At press time, a total of 14 racing teams had registered to compete. Schkade said entries will be taken 6 p.m. Friday. Vehicles to be raced range from a 1970 BMW to a 1991 Mitsubishi Eclipse to a 1998 Subaru Impreza to a 2003 Dodge Neon — the only domestic car registered by Monday morning.

On Saturday, these roads will be closed to traffic as the competition heats up:

- Blacksands Road and River Road near CJ Strike Reservoir from 12:15 p.m. to 4 p.m.

- Colyer Road from 11 a.m. to 1:25 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 5:20 p.m.

- Hot Springs Road from 8 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. and 6:40 p.m. to 8 p.m.

- Clover Three Creek Road from 8:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

A German native, Schkade said Saturday’s rally is one-of-a-kind for the Northwest. No other race like this is a tarmac rally, or a race run completely on asphalt, he said.

“This race is totally breaking ground here,” he said.

Other races of this kind, which are sanctioned by National Auto Sport Association (NASA) RallySport, are held on a variety of surfaces. Some are gravel or dirt, and some incorporate gravel, dirt and asphalt.

Schkade, who has been a fan of road rallies since his teen years living 100 miles south of Berlin in East Germany, said asphalt requires tremendous skill from rally drivers, who will be guided through the 15-stage race by a co-driver.

“It’s the most unforgiving of the rally surfaces,” Schkade said. “If you have a car drifting (sliding) on a gravel road, you can kind of play with it.

“On a paved road, you ought to have a good line.”

Schkade said a “good line” or path of travel on the pavement is important because miscalculations could force the driver to brake, and the obvious loss of speed results in the loss of precious seconds.

Although racers are mandated to maintain an average speed of 65 mph, Schkade said speeds of up to 110 mph will be reached in some stretches.

Competitors race against the



### Mileage (and speeds) may vary

Although the posted speed may be higher than the top end most cars will reach this weekend, this photo illustration shows the 2007 Idaho Rally route curling near CJ Strike Reservoir. Photo by Dale Gray

clock, not each other. And cars will take off from each checkpoint at 1-minute intervals. Each team carries a timecard, and the team with the fastest cumulative time will receive the championship trophy during an awards dinner at 8:30 p.m. Saturday. Although official results won’t be posted until after 9 p.m., Schkade said fans can keep track of the action with Internet updates at the event’s Web site, IdahoRally.com.

While six roads will be closed for the event, spectators will be allowed in only one area. Schkade said that safety measures require that spectators park their vehicles at the Rimrock football stadium parking lot and walk north toward the Snake River.

Four stages will be visible from the spectator area.

- Stage 7 — Blacksands Road toward CJ Strike Dam, with a right-hand turn onto River Road
- Stage 8 — Blacksands Road all the way into Grand View
- Stage 9-10 — Both of these

stages also trace Blacksands Road.

Competitors will return to the high school parking lot to service their race cars between Stage 8 and Stage 9. There are breaks for vehicle services after Stage 4 and Stage 12, too.

Stages 11 and 12 feature Colyer Road north of the Bruneau River. Schkade says Colyer is probably the toughest strip of blacktop in the race.

“It’s one of the more challenging roads in the race,” he said. “It’s not visually open.”

Schkade said the degree of difficulty of Colyer Road spikes because of blind corners and a narrow space in which to work. There’s a close shoulder on one side of the road, and the should drops off the rim of the hillside on the other.

“Whoever is fastest in those stages could be the winner,” he said.

— JPB

### Who’s racing

A list of the teams that had entered the 2007 Idaho Rally as of Monday morning, including driver, co-driver and type of car:

Bruce Davis and Jimmy Brandt, 2003 Dodge Neon SRT-4

Erik Lyden and Kathryn Hansen, 1995 Subaru Impreza

Ian Pinter (co-driver TBA), Subaru 2.5RS

Ron Crawford and Lloyd Crawford, 2003 Nissan Sentra Spec V

James Bolin and Sunny Caughman, 1991 Mitsubishi Eclipse

Ryan Barker (co-driver TBA), 1995 Subaru Impreza

Ben Wellemeyer and Grady May, Mazda RX 7

Shadd Foster and Pat Harris, Mazda RX 3

Chris Blakely and Bud Blakely, 1992 Volkswagen GTi

Brian Gottlieb and Josh Rustigan, 1998 Toyota FX-16 GTS

Mark Fox and Jake Blattner, 1970 BMW 2002 Tii

Andrew Sutherland (co-driver TBA), vehicle TBA

David Kern and AJ Hakala, 1988 Mazda 323 GTX

*‘It’s the most unforgiving of the rally surfaces.’*

— **Jens Schkade**, 2007 Idaho Rally chairman and founder and resident of Grand View

## Summer bass tournaments scheduled for CJ Strike waters

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game recently released a list of bass fishing tournaments that will be held through July at CJ Strike Reservoir.

All four upcoming tournaments are catch-and-release.

The action starts June 23 with at the Air Force boat ramp with a tournament sponsored by the Gem

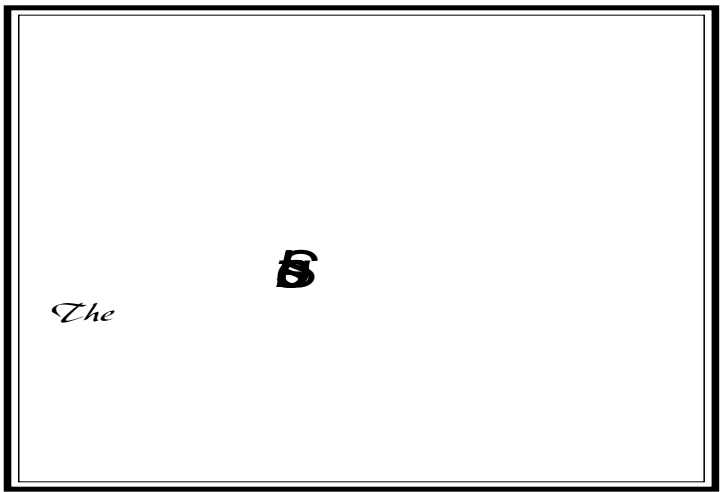
State Hookers Bass Club. The tournament is open to 14 people and seven boats, and it will run from 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

From 5 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on June 30, the Superior Bass Fishing Association will hold a 50-boat tournament. Competitors will put in at the Blacksands boat ramp.

On July 21, the Snake River

Bassmasters sanction a 20-boat tournament from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. The competition pushes off from the Blacksands boat ramp.

The Mountain Home Hawg Hunters will hold a tournament from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. on July 28. The tournament originates from the Blacksands boat ramp and will be open to 20 boats.





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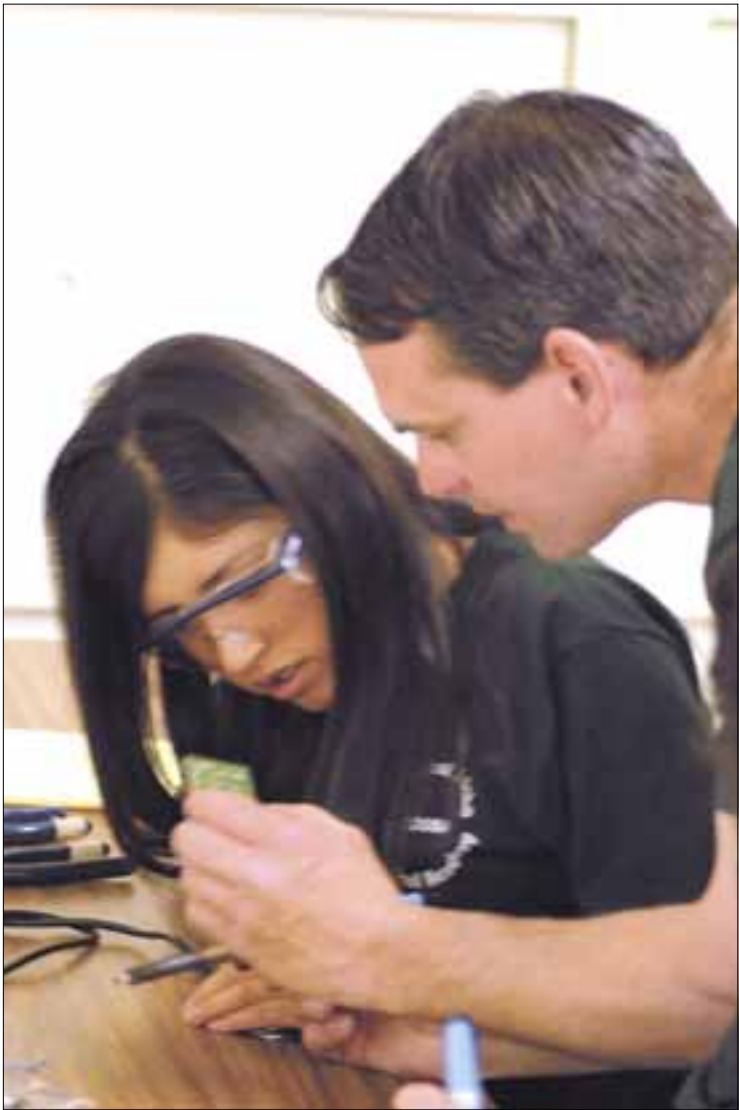


# Opportunity knocks in Homedale



### Santa Fe Subdivision lifts off

Realtors held an open house showcasing Homedale's newest subdivision last weekend. Organizers said that 70 visitors browsed open models of new houses during Saturday's grand opening festivities.



### Students attend vo-tech camp

The Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency held a summer camp last week to show young high school students the possibilities available to them. Students from Homedale, Marsing, Wilder, Parma and Notus school districts learned more about how they can take advantage of training in auto-diesel technology, automated industrial engineering, building trades, medical fields and welding. **Top:** Incoming Homedale High School freshman Jacob Lowder works on a capacitor in the automated industrial engineering class. **Middle:** COSSA instructor Mark Cotner, right, assists Homedale sophomore-to-be Corina Sanchez with her class project. **Bottom:** Homedale students learn about medical records in another part of the camp.

## Wednesday morning in Owyhee County



That's when the Owyhee Avalanche hits the news stands



# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

June 9, 1982

**District engineer says US 95 access must be removed**

A recently-constructed approach on US 95 must be removed within 30 days, according to Bill Sacht, District 3 Engineer for the Idaho Transportation Department.

The approach was constructed near the Homedale airport, just south of the Snake River bridge on the curve of the federal highway by A & J Construction, Homedale, and was done so without a permit, Sacht said.

Sacht said Monday the state had issued a permit to construct a roadway on state right-of-way of the city of Homedale. The application was made in 1980 by Jay Jackson, airport manager for the city, who is also president of A & J Construction. But the permit did not include adjoining US 95, but was to connect to the existing access road, running parallel to the highway.

“We removed the approach on the curve when we built the bridge because of traffic hazard. There was no permit for the construction of the approach, and there will not be one,” Sacht said.

The engineer said he is drafting a letter to the city, since the city is the holder of the permit for the road on state right-of-way. The letter, he said, will instruct the city to remove the fill on the access, and “restore it to its original condition.”

Homedale Mayor George Murray said he talked to Sacht Friday, and his understanding was the same as Sacht said. “We’re expecting a letter, and will pass it on to Jackson.”

Jackson admitted he didn’t have a permit to connect the road to US 95, but didn’t think it would create a problem. “We’re working with the state, trying to come to some sort of solution.”

At the April city council meeting, the city approved the opening of a frontage road on the state right-of-way from the airport road to Industrial Road.

“Jay’s request did not ask for access to 95. It was to connect to the existing road to the airport, and he was to get together with (city attorney) Gary Morgan to draw up the legal papers before he built the road.” The road is built but “Jay hasn’t gotten together with Morgan yet,” Murray said.

**Local pair subject to recent search**

Two Homedale people were the subject of an intensive search last Thursday, after they were reported missing that morning.

Jay Ray Jackson, president of A & J Construction, Homedale, and Maureen Cegnar, co-owner of Bloomin’ Britches, a Homedale clothing store, had flown to the Owyhee Reservoir area Wednesday evening in Jackson’s small helicopter. The pair had planned to fly from there to the Swan Falls area to take photographs of the proposed American Freedom Dam site.

They were planning to take photographs of the Homedale area on their return trip, for a brochure, which the chamber is working up, Jackson said Thursday evening.

But the flight ended about 10 miles upstream from the Owyhee Reservoir. Jackson said he landed to refuel the chopper, and when he attempted to start it, the engine backfired. The reverse action of the engine snapped something in the starter, probably the bendix spring, the pilot said.

When Cegnar’s babysitter woke up early Thursday morning to find Cegnar had not returned, she called Jackson’s secretary, Vivian Lillie, who in turn called Scott Lufkin, Jackson’s company pilot.

Lufkin made the report that the pair was missing. Sheriff Tim Nettleton organized a ground and river search in the Swan Falls area, and the Civil Air Patrol began an air search.

The dam location was the prime area searched, since a report was supposedly confirmed the aircraft was seen that vicinity about an hour after it had taken off from the Homedale airport.

The search organizers were in the process of widening their coverage area when Lufkin learned that Jackson had made contact with someone at Cascade, Idaho.

“Send us a cab” was Jackson’s instructions in a telephone patch via Cascade to his office in Homedale.

## 50 years ago

June 13, 1957

**Ronald Robinson elected chairman of school board**

Ronald Robinson was elected chairman and Orville Soper vice-chairman of the school board of district No. 370 at the regular meeting Monday evening.

The trustee’s oath of office was given to Albert Eidemiller, trustee of district No. 3, by the clerk.

Bills amounting to \$1,680.78 from the general fund and \$349.28 from the bond building fund were paid.

It was voted to retain Leonard Wilson, CPA, as clerk-treasurer for the district.

Richard Eismann was retained as attorney for the district.

Homer Henry announced that the insurance company holding the school liability policy had given the James Purdom family \$1,000 in connection with the recent fatal accident of their son.

O. D. Douglas, outgoing clerk, and Charles Zollinger, outgoing superintendent, both requested a complete financial audit of their books and records.

Mr. Zollinger also announced that there are still vacancies on the teaching staff for the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grades, librarian, science, math, girls’ PE, and music at the high school.

The Vern Underdahl agency presented the board with a student coverage policy issued by the American Casualty company.

The board voted to install vents at the north and south ends of the grade school gym and under the stage to allow proper ventilation for the floor and that no other improvements be made on the grade or high school gym floors.

Buses are to operate next year similar to the past and the extra bus will be used as a replacement in case of any breakdown. Mr. Zollinger recommended maintenance work on three of the buses.

A discussion was held on the possibility of dropping music as a subject for the system to help on the school deficit and a decision was postponed until the next meeting.

The board voted to retain a music teacher for the ensuing year to teach two hours each day at the high school, two hours at the junior high and two hours benefit to the district.

Proposed bids are requested from recognized accounting firms for a one-year complete audit on the accrual basis and that the auditor be requested to submit proposals for annual audits on a two-year contract.

Among other things voted upon were the offering of contracts to Wilmina Phelps and Carol Rosenberger for the coming year; the discontinuation of cement curbing construction of the fence at the grade school except to finish a gate at the west side of the Lincoln building; that basketball practice and other school activity practices be discontinued after dark; also charges will be made for use of any school bus on all trips for school activities.

There will be no future school sponsored senior sneak. The balances of the contracts for the year ending August 31, 1957, will be paid in full to Mabel Frazier and Emily Hendrickson.

**Homedale C of C plans 2<sup>nd</sup> annual ‘Old Timers’ day**

Plans to continue the “Old Timers Day” celebration were expressed at the regular chamber of commerce meeting Tuesday noon at El Gavilan.

A committee composed of President Russ Immisch, Les Carter, Norman Tolmie and Everett Colley was named to meet with the fair board a their next meeting June 19 and discuss co-coordinating the celebration with the Owyhee county fair.

Last year the “Old Timer’s Day” was held on the first day of the fair and County Agent Ralph Samson said a better arrangement was hoped by the fair board this year.

Guests were Ed Mink, Glen Steward and Kenneth Colley.

## 140 years ago

June 8, 1867

“MARK TWAIN” writes to the Alta from his old home (St. Louis) of time’s changes in human affairs — faces and boyhood conceptions:

One of the things that is constantly surprising me is the way the reality diminishes sizes and distances that have been lying on record in my memory so long. In my recollection the Courthouse was something prodigious – almost awe-inspiring; but when I came to look at it the other day, it had shrunk so much that I could not understand how it ever held so large a place in my memory. \*\* But you who have revisited your homes, after years of absence, understand this. Locations which, in my memory, were long distances apart, I am astounded to find close together now. \*\* I find no change of consequence in grown people. I do not miss the dead. It does not surprise me to hear that this friend or that friend died at such and such a time because I fully expected that sort of news. But somehow I had made no calculation of the infants. It had never occurred to me that infants grow up to be men and women in the course of years, and so I caught myself making such inquiries as, “Well, how is little Johnny; does he eat as much candy as ever?” and getting replies that made me feel inexpressibly odd – such as, “No, little Johnny is married now, and is captain of a steamboat.” Infants I had not seen for twelve of fifteen years had remained infants to me during all that time. These unexpected changes from infancy to youth and from youth to maturity, are by far the most startling things I meet with. Girls I used to trot on my knee, could trot me that way now, if they wanted to – but somehow they don’t. I meet these infants every day; and in place of the little short dresses and bibs and neglected noses I cherished in my memory, I find stately women, and long trails, and awful waterfalls. It is perfectly stunning. However, I am generally allowed a kiss for old acquaintance sake, and I am sorry now that I didn’t know all the female babies, in the country when I left. One of my old sweethearts I have been dreaming of so long, has got give children now. It was a great blow to me. If she had fifty I couldn’t have stood at all.

COURT will convene next Monday, 10<sup>th</sup>, in a house on Jordan Street, and Fred Menge has opened his Bakery and Saloon near by. Fred is bound to sell unexceptionable liquors, wines, lager, bread and pastry at the “Owyhee Bakery.”

WHAT’S IN A NAME? Billy Shakespeare – old boy – there’s much more’n you hint. Silver City by any other name would smell much better. There are Silver Cities in Montanan and Colorado and in Nevada. Letters are constantly going wrong or not going at all. Letter-writers can’t be too careful about spelling the name of State or Territory in full. The Ruby P. O. retains its name, though located in Silver; Wells Fargo & Co.’s office, ditto. For a while Idaho had two Silver cities – one was liable to make her sick.

In this connection, we may mention that this County has two “Owyhee G & S. M. Co’s.” – one composed of Iowa men, the other a change of name on the part of the old “New York and Owyhee G & S M. Co.” – having officially done away with the words “New York and.” This will still add to the confusion of terms.

PROMOTED AND ASSIGNED. The following officers have been recently promoted to the rank named and ordered to report to points, to-wit: First Cavalry: Captain Thomas McGregor, Fort Klamath, Oregon First Lieutenant Daniel M. Walcott, Company F, Fort Boise, Idaho; First Lieutenant Wm. R. Parnell, Company II, Camp C. F. Smith, Oregon.

Twenty-Third Infantry: First Lieutenant John R. Eschenburg, Company D, Camp Warner, Oregon; First Lieutenant Louis R. Stillie, Company E, Camp Three Forks Owyhee, Idaho and First Lieutenant Joseph L. Jack, Camp Warner, Oregon.



# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

## On the edge of common sense



### Suggestions from your rural veterinarian

The number of rural food animal veterinarians is diminishing rapidly nationwide. So if you still have one, it would be beneficial to know how to get the most from the one you have.

Recently I read an article by a rural DVM entitled “Before you Call the Vet.” In the interest of expanding on his suggestions, I will try to clear up and remove any confusion you might have.

Suggestion No. 1 — *“If you have no intention of paying for your vet’s services, do not call.”*

On the surface, this seems self-explanatory. But to be more specific it definitely includes the spotted owl that flew into your picture window, the neighbor’s dog you hit with the truck trying to drive him off your sheep and the National Park buffalo that was wounded by a deer hunter in your backyard.

Suggestion No. 2 — *“Do not call your veterinarian if what you want is illegal.”*

Say you have been quarantined by the State or Federal Livestock Department for Brucellosis, tuberculosis, B.S.E., scabies, having poor facilities, or misplacing your last veterinary bill, you may be thinking of asking your vet to fudge the test results. A simple little thing, no one would know, you’d tip him 50 or 60 bucks, maybe promise to give him the hide off your next slipped calf. And, although the offer of the hide sounds tempting, don’t bother. When veterinarians take their state boards, they have to promise to be honest.

Suggestion No. 3 — *“Always capture and identify the animal in question before calling the doctor.”*

Capture means in something smaller than 40 acres. “She’s the one over by that scrub oak, Doc. The one just left of the red cow, or is that the mule? Anyway, she’s the solid black one, no, wait a minute...Phil, which cow did you say had the lump on her jaw?”

Suggestion No. 4 — *“Avoid blanket treatments — not all downer cows have milk fever; not all lame cows have footrot.”*

No amount of calcium/dextrose solution IV will cause a cow that has been hit by a feed truck, to stand and walk away! And no formaldehyde footbath or tetracycline injection will cure the steer that limps till you pull the nail out of his hoof.

The doctor’s article included many more useful tips on how to better use your rural veterinarian, but it all boils down to this: Take care of your local cow vet. Treat him like visiting royalty. Pay him like you do your bookie. Remember his (or her) birthday, share your pheasant, quail, sweet corn, homemade cookies or 4-H pig sausage. And it’s always nice to offer to co-sign his note for his house, his car or his bass boat. Because remember, he can always desert you for a comfortable cat and dog practice in someplace like Orlando or Cabo San Lucas!

Wayne Cornell

## Not important ... but possibly of interest

### Don’t feed Venetian pigeons



Our bus leaves the foothills of the Alps, and the highway takes us across a plain dotted with farmhouses. Nearly all are made of stone, have red tile roofs and appear to have sheltered uncounted generations of Italians. After we turn east, the population density increases as we enter what appears to be a heavy industrial waterfront. Soon we are on a narrow causeway running out into the bay. At the far end of the causeway, we see Venice.

Venice is built on 122 little islands. It originally was settled in the sixth century by people fleeing from invading armies.

From about 1390 to the mid-1400s, Venice was “Queen of the Seas” in Europe — a major trading center. But after the discovery of America, seaports on the Atlantic coast of Europe became more important than Venice.

We arrive in Venice about 5 p.m. We get off the bus in a large parking lot and troop through a somewhat-seedy area filled with vendors selling trinkets. Gondolas are waiting at a dock. Our family group of six piles into the first gondola, and in a few minutes we are gliding though the narrow, twisting canals. One gondola carries a group of musicians playing Italian songs. We pull out a bottle of Champaign (one supplied to each boat) and sip bubbly as we take in the sights.

It is still March, and the temperature is in the low 50s, but the ride is worth the chill. The gondola tour lasts the better part of an hour, ending at a dock on the Grand Canal, the main waterway in the city. We walk maybe a half-mile through a maze of alleys and streets, emerging into a large open area called the Piazza San Marco, or St. Mark’s Square. The square is dominated by the Basilica of San Marcos at one end. We are expected at the Caffè Florian. We sit at tiny tables on the edge of the square, sipping peach-flavored drinks provided in the tour package and watching the 10,000 resident pigeons mug tourists foolish

enough to offer them something to eat. If you stand still, holding food, pigeons will literally cover you.

After drinks, we wander the square. Around the corner from the café, at water’s edge, is an area called the Piazzetta dei Leoncini. This was once the official entrance to the city and where public executions took place in the Good Old Days. Nearby is the old prison, connected to the Doge’s Palace by an ornate covered bridge over a narrow canal. The Doge was the head man in the town and also the judge. The bridge is called the “Bridge of Sighs” because allegedly prisoners could be heard moaning as they were dragged back to the dungeons after being sentenced by the Doge. Those were the days when “doing hard time” really had meaning.

They say Venice is sinking. The islands were barely above the surface of the water when the first people arrived. Our guide says the settlers hauled wood from the mainland, laid it over the islands and built stone buildings on top of that questionable foundation. Everything is made of stone. Some of the buildings have stone walls several feet thick. The squares and all the streets are paved with stone. The amazing thing to me is that after some 1,400 years Venice hasn’t already sank, never mind supposed environmental threats.

We stroll along the edge of the Grand Canal, as a huge ferry slides past — probably arriving from Bosnia or Croatia only about 100 miles away, on the far side of the Adriatic Sea. There are several thousand people taking the same walk. I try to imagine what it must be like during the real summer tourist season.

It’s getting dark as a water taxi takes us back to the causeway dock and the bus. Then it’s off to another hotel, as unmemorable as the earlier ones except there are sheets, not comforters, on the beds.

Tomorrow we will return to Venice.

## From Washington

### We are the fabric of Old Glory

by Sen. Mike Crapo

On June 14, 1914, Franklin Lane, then Interior Secretary, delivered an address entitled “The Flag Maker,” in honor of Flag Day. Lane relayed a “conversation” that he had with the American flag in his office that morning. Here are excerpts:

‘I know you well. You are the man who worked in the swelter of yesterday, straightening out the tangle of that farmer’s homestead in Idaho ... or helped to clear that patent for a hopeful inventor in New York, or pushed the opening of that new ditch in Colorado, or made that mine in Illinois more safe, or brought relief to the old soldier in Wyoming...’

‘Yesterday the Congress spoke a word which will open the door of Alaska; but a mother in Michigan worked from sunrise until far into the night, to give her boy an education. She, too, is making the Flag.

‘Yesterday we made a new law to prevent financial panics, and yesterday, maybe a schoolteacher in Ohio taught his first letters to a boy who will one day write a song that will give cheer to the millions of our race...’

‘But,’ I said impatiently, ‘these people were only working!’

Then came a great shout from the Flag:  
‘The work that we do is the making of the Flag. ‘I am



Sen. Mike Crapo

not the Flag; not at all. I am but its shadow.’  
‘I am whatever you make me, nothing more.’  
‘I am your belief in yourself, your dream of what a people may become.’

‘I live a changing life, a life of moods and passions, of heartbreaks and tired muscles.’  
‘Sometimes I am strong with pride, when men do an honest work, fitting the rails together truly.’  
‘Sometimes I droop, for then purpose has gone from me, and cynically I play the coward.’  
‘But always, I am all that you hope to be, and have the courage to try for.’  
‘I am song and fear, struggle and panic, and ennobling hope.’  
‘I am the Constitution and the courts, statutes and state-maker, soldier and dreadnaught, drayman and sweep, cook, counselor and clerk.’

‘I am the battle of yesterday and the mistake of tomorrow.’  
‘I am the clutch of an idea and the reasoned purpose of resolution.’  
‘I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color, a symbol of yourself, the pictured suggestion of that big thing which makes this nation. My stars and my stripes

— See *Old Glory*, page 19



# Commentary

## Idaho agriculture

### Comprehensive immigration reform crucial to producers

by Frank Priestley

American farmers and ranchers face a “Catch 22,” when it comes to hiring and verifying the status of their workforce. It is illegal to knowingly hire someone who is not authorized to work, but the employer is limited in what he or she may ask to determine who is authorized.

If an employer requests more or different documents when the originals appear reasonable, the employer could be subject to a Justice Department investigation, or employment discrimination lawsuits. On the other hand, if the employer accepts documents but is later notified by the Social Security Administration that information contained in the documents does not match agency records, then the employer may not be safe from prosecution for knowingly hiring an illegal worker.

What’s needed is a workable program to allow for



Frank Priestley

recruitment of temporary agriculture workers from abroad and provide an opportunity for some current workers to apply for permanent U.S. residency.

Currently, the only alternative to a program that works is called the H-2a temporary guest worker program. But H-2a is expensive because it requires prospective users to offer free housing and transportation as well as a minimum of the adverse effect wage rate (AEWG), which is an average wage derived from all field and livestock workers in a region. Moreover, the program is excessively bureaucratic, requiring subsequent approval from four different government agencies including the federal departments of Labor, Homeland Security and State, as well as the state government employment agency in the given state. This program has been a magnet

for litigation in the past, forcing growers to spend large sums in court or accept the demands of taxpayer-funded

attorneys. Most year-round livestock operations are not eligible for H-2a, even though labor difficulties are no less of a problem for these than for other livestock operations.

Farm Bureau supports a comprehensive approach to reforming the nation’s immigration laws. The solution should include the following components:

- **A reliable verification system:** The current system should be strengthened to make it simple, conclusive, reliable and timely. It should provide a safe-harbor for employers acting in good faith.
- **Adequate transition provisions:** Farm Bureau supports a range of approaches that provide some farm workers with the opportunity to apply for legal status.

It could take years to grow a worker program with less than 4 percent of overall hires to a size that can accommodate the majority of U.S. agriculture’s labor needs.

— Frank Priestley is president of the Idaho Farm Bureau.

## Property rights

### Privatization of land saved Jamestown settlement

by David Boaz

Four hundred years ago May 14, 105 men and boys disembarked from three ships and established the first permanent English settlement in North America. They built a fort along what they called the James River, in honor of their king.

The land was lush and fertile, yet within three years most of the colonists died during what came to be known as “the starving time.” Only the establishment of private property saved the Jamestown colony.

What went wrong? There were the usual hardships of pioneers far from home, such as unfamiliar diseases. There were mixed relations with the Indians already living in Virginia. Sometimes the Indians and settlers traded, other times armed conflicts broke out. But according to a governor of the colony, George Percy, most of the colonists died of famine, despite the “good and fruitful” soil, the abundant deer and turkey, and the “strawberries, raspberries and fruits unknown” growing wild.

The problem was the lack of private property. As Tom Bethell writes in his book *The Noblest Triumph: Property and Prosperity through the Ages*, “The colonists were indolent because most of them were indentured servants, expected to toil for seven years and contribute the fruits of their labor to the common store.”

Understandably, men who don’t benefit from their hard work tend not to work very hard.

Over the first two years, more colonists arrived from

England, including women. By 1609, there were 500 settlers. And within six months fewer than 100 were still alive. People were desperate. They ate dogs and cats, then rats and mice. They apparently ate their deceased neighbors. And some said that one man murdered and ate his pregnant wife.

By the spring, they had given up. They abandoned the fort and boarded ships to return to England. But miraculously, as they sailed out of Chesapeake Bay, they encountered three ships with new recruits, so they turned around and tried to make another go of it. The additional settlers and supplies kept them alive.

But when a new governor, Thomas Dale, arrived a year after the starving time, he was shocked to find the settlers bowling in the streets instead of working.

Dale’s most important reform was to institute private property. He allotted every man three acres of land and freed them to work for themselves. And then, the Virginia historian Matthew Page Andrews wrote, “As soon as the settlers were thrown upon their own resources, and each freeman had acquired the right of owning property, the colonists quickly developed what became the distinguishing characteristic of Americans — an aptitude for all kinds of craftsmanship coupled with an innate genius for experimentation and invention.”

John Rolfe, the husband of Pocahontas, said that once private property was instituted, men could engage in “gathering and reaping the fruits of their labors with much

joy and comfort.”

The Jamestown colony became a success, and people from all over Europe flocked to America.

Private property is essential for economic growth; people don’t work and invest if they can’t reap the fruits of their labors. Property ensures that people will work to better their own condition and that of their families. And that work and investment then benefits the whole society, much more so than the attempt to force people to work directly for the common good.

But property does something else. As the American Revolutionary Arthur Lee, great-grandson of a Jamestown colonist, wrote, “The right of property is the guardian of every other right, and to deprive a people of this, is in fact to deprive them of their liberty.” Property is essential to making the government dependent on the people, not vice versa. It divides power, limits government, and protects freedom. No country has ever enjoyed freedom of the press, freedom of religion, or political liberty without secure property rights.

So in the light of the 400th anniversary, let us remember the original Jamestown settlers, who demonstrated the failure of collectivism. Their suffering during the starving time did more than any book could have done to lay a secure foundation for private property rights and thus for the freedom and prosperity we enjoy today.

— David Boaz is executive vice president of the Cato Institute and author of *Libertarianism: A Primer*.

### ✓ Old Glory: Remember contributions that built nation on Thursday

From Page 18

... are bright with cheer, brilliant with courage, firm with faith, because you have made them so out of your hearts; for you are the makers of the Flag, and it is well that you glory in the making.’

On Flag Day 2007, these 93-year-old sentiments ring surprisingly true. As our great nation wrestles with issues like war, immigration and prosperity, we should remember

we are all “Flag Makers,” giving meaning and strength to the great nation represented by Old Glory. We love our country; most of us would die for her. This is what inspires immigrants to leave their countries for our shores and what inspires passionate debate about how best to handle immigration. It motivates men and women every day to swear to protect the United States — with their very lives, if required.

The daily toils, hopes and dreams of millions of Americans living and passed is the shape and glory of 13 red and white stripes shielding 50 white stars on a blue field. These are the Stars and Stripes of our United States of America, to whom we and our ancestors having shed former allegiances to countries of birth, gladly, proudly and without hesitation, now bear true faith and allegiance.

— Mike Crapo is a Republican senator from Idaho.

*Let your voice be heard in the Avalanche*



# Public notices

**OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES MAY 29, 2007**  
**OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO**

Present were Commissioner’s Freund, Tolmie and Hoagland, Clerk Sherburn, Sheriff Aman, Prosecutor Faulks, Jim Desmond and Fred Grant.

The Board denied the request for the Whitehorse Subdivision to be included in the county road system.

The Board denied the request for vacation of the alley in the Bruneau townsite.

Discussion was held on the proposed Energy Plan submitted by Planning and Zoning. Two public hearings will be held at a later date.

The Board set a hearing date of July 9th for a planning and zoning appeal for Andrade.

The committee meeting scheduled for May 30th was cancelled due to lack of response.

Sheriff Aman presented a proposal from Geo Comm for maintenance software. A contract will be reviewed at a later date.

The Board reviewed Resolution 05-11 authorizing the Recreation Taskforce. An updated Resolution will be presented at the next regular Board meeting.

The Board approved the weed control agreement with the BLM in the Jarbidge area.

The Board took the following action on pending Indigent and Charity cases:

07-21 a lien was approved.  
07-19, 07-20, denied incomplete application

07-10 denied, not the last resource

07-14, 07-16 approved withdrawal of application

The Board approved alcohol beverage license for the following establishments,

Stop & Shop LLC, Y Bar Café, O’Henry’s Pub, Cowboy’s Pastime, and Del Rio Restaurant.

The Board moved into executive session on a personnel issue. No action was taken.

/s/Richard Freund, Chairman  
Attest:/s/Charlotte Sherburn  
6/13/07

**ORDINANCE NO. 07-05**  
**The Owyhee County Planning & Zoning Commission recommends the following be approved:**

Amendments to the Owyhee County Code, Article II Planning and Zoning Ordinance

1. Require a conditional use permit for creation of a “conservation easement,” “recreation easement,” “open space easement,” or any other form of easement which requires the servient estate owner to change or alter the land use of the servient estate or prohibits the servient estate owner from enlarging, expanding, changing, or altering the land use of the servient estate.

Section 04-01 is amended to create a new subsection to read as follows:

d. “A Conditional use permit is required for and prior to creation of an easement which requires the servient estate owner to change or alter the land use of the servient estate or any part thereof in existence on the stated effective date of the easement, or which prohibits the servient estate owner from enlarging, expanding, changing or altering

the land use of the servient estate, or any part thereof in existence on the stated effective date of the easement. This provision is applicable to, but not limited to, easements popularly known as “conservation easements,” “recreation easements,” “open space easements.” Chapter 5 of this article shall be applicable to the application for conditional use permit filed pursuant to this section.

2. Define “easement,” “conservation,” “conservation easement,” “recreation easement”

Section 01-04 is amended to create new definitions as follows:

“Easement: The term easement means an interest in land conveyed and granted by the land owner to another person, the grantor land owner becoming the owner of the servient estate and the grantee easement owner becoming owner of the dominant estate. Such easement contains the right to control land use of the servient estate by requiring the servient estate owner to change the land use of the servient estate or any portion thereof or by prohibiting the servient estate owner from enlarging, expanding, changing, or altering the land use of the servient estate or any portion thereof.”

Conservation: The term conservation means protection of natural resources and the environment and excludes development of the land.

Conservation easement: The term conservation easement means an easement which places limitation on the use of the servient estate for conservation purposes.

Recreation easement: The term recreation easement means an easement which places limitation on the use of the servient estate for recreation purposes.”

Open space easement: The term open space easement means an easement which places limitation on the use of the servient estate for open space purposes.

3. Amend the permitted uses in the agricultural, residential, multi-use, commercial, industrial, and historic district zones to provide for conditional use permits for such easements.

Section 04-05-A (a) is amended to include a new subsection 22 to read as follows:

“22. An easement as referred to in section 04-01 (d) herein.”

Section 04-22-M (a) is amended to include a new subsection 9 to read as follows:

“9. An easement as referred to in section 04-01 (d) herein.”

Section 04-32-R (a) is amended to include a new subsection 19 to read as follows:

“19. An easement as referred to in section 04-01 (d) herein.”

Section 04-42-C (a) is amended to include a new subsection 4 to read as follows:

“4. An easement as referred to in section 04-01 (d) herein.”

Section 04-51-I is amended to include a new subsection 6 to read as follows:

“6. An easement as referred to in section 04-01 (d) herein.”

Section 06-07-HD (a) is amended to include a new subsection C to read as follows:

“C. An easement as referred to in section 04-01 (d) herein.”

4. Provide for order to show cause proceedings when the Planning and Zoning Commission and/or Board of County Commissioners receive information regarding violations of the zoning ordinance.

Chapter 3 of the Zoning

**CITY OF GRAND VIEW QUARTERLY EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR 3 MONTHS PERIOD ENDING As required by Idaho State Code 50-1011 Quarter Ending 12/31/2006 1st QTR -FY 2007**

CITY OF GRAND VIEW	EXPENDITURES	BUDGET	%
Administration – Payroll	\$2,476.13		26%
Auto Maintenance, Fuel, & Oil	\$34.39		3%
Backhoe / Mower / Tractor Maint	\$0.00		0%
Capital Outlay	\$1,584.13		106%
City & City Park Maint	\$7.20		0%
Contingency Fund	\$2,000.00		100%
Dues	\$0.00		0%
Elections	\$0.00		0%
ENGINEERING & SURVEYING-Saved Six (6) Years	\$13,300.00		532%
Fire Hydrants & Supplies	\$0.00		0%
Insurance & Bonds	\$0.00		0%
Miscellaneous Expense	\$283.85		41%
Office Supplies, Postage, & S.D. Box Fee	\$4.25		0%
Professional Services: Audit / Legal	\$48.00		3%
Publishing’s	\$185.92		1%
Seminars	\$0.00		0%
Utilities	\$733.79		26%
City Of Grand View - Street & Road			
Payroll - Supervisor & Maintenance	\$3,362.00		22%
Auto Maintenance, Fuel, & Oil	\$0.00		0%
Backhoe / Mower / Tractor Maint	\$0.00		0%
Capital Outlay	\$0.00		0%
Contingency Fund	\$1,000.00		100%
Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00		0%
Professional Services: Audit / Legal	\$0.00		0%
Repair & Maintenance – Streets	\$1,269.85		35%
Street Signs	\$0.00		0%
Surveying	\$0.00		0%
Tools & Equipment	\$0.00		0%
Utilities - Street Lighting	\$387.99		19%

Citizens of Grand View are invited to inspect the detailed records of the financial statements at:  
Grand View City Hall - 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, Idaho - Monday - Wednesday - 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
(208) 834-2700 Phone / Fax  
Helana (Lani) Race  
Grand View City Clerk  
Date: Quarter Ending December 31, 2006  
6/13/07

Ordinance is amended by adding a new subsection 03-06 to provide as follows:

At any time while an application for variance or conditional use permit is pending, and any time before a decision of the Board of County Commissioners, or Planning and Zoning Commission becomes final, if the governing body receives an allegation that the applicant is making unlawful use of the property which is the subject of the application, or that the applicant is using the property in any way inconsistent with the current zoning status, the Board of County Commissioners, or the Planning and Zoning Commission may enter a show cause order to be served on the applicant to require that the applicant show cause at a hearing on a date certain why the application should not be denied. Said hearing shall be noticed and scheduled in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance as to notice for conditional use permit hearing proceedings. In case of an emergency, endangering public health or safety found to exist by the governing body, the time noticed for said hearing may be shortened to five (5) working days from the time the show cause order is served on the applicant.

5. Define a “final decision” of the Planning & Zoning Commission and/or Board of County Commissioners.

Section 03-04 is amended to read as follows:

“The decision of the Planning & Zoning Commission, or Board of County Commissioners as to variance or conditional use permit is not final until a written document including findings, conclusions, and order is signed by the Planning and Zoning Commission, or Board of County Commissioners and recorded by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.”

6. Amend 04-04-A (b) and 04-05-A to provide that a permitted use in the agricultural zone

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Insurance & Bonds	\$0.00		0%
Miscellaneous Expense	\$283.85		41%
Office Supplies, Postage, & S.D. Box Fee	\$4.25		0%
Professional Services: Audit / Legal	\$48.00		3%
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Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00		0%
Professional Services: Audit / Legal	\$0.00		0%
Repair & Maintenance – Streets	\$1,269.85		35%
Street Signs	\$0.00		0%
Surveying	\$0.00		0%
Tools & Equipment	\$0.00		0%
Utilities - Street Lighting	\$387.99		19%

Citizens of Grand View are invited to inspect the detailed records of the financial statements at:  
Grand View City Hall - 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, Idaho - Monday - Wednesday - 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
(208) 834-2700 Phone / Fax  
Helana (Lani) Race  
Grand View City Clerk  
Date: Quarter Ending December 31, 2006  
6/13/07

**CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO QUARTERLY EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR 3 MONTHS PERIOD ENDING As required by Idaho State Code 50-1011 March 31, 2007 2nd QTR -FY 2007**

CITY OF GRAND VIEW	EXPENDITURES	BUDGET	%
Administration – Payroll	\$2,152.43		22%
Auto Maintenance, Fuel, & Oil	\$3.00		1%
Backhoe / Mower / Tractor Maint	\$482.21		8%
Capital Outlay	\$0.00		0%
City & City Park Maint	\$80.28		1%
Contingency Fund	\$0.00		0%
Dues	\$66.25		1%
Elections	\$0.00		0%
Engineering & Surveying	\$0.00		0%
Fire Hydrants & Supplies	\$0.00		0%
Insurance & Bonds	\$1,189.00		4%
Miscellaneous Expense	\$582.00		83%
Office Supplies, Postage, & S.D. Box Fee	\$239.09		1%
Professional Services: Audit / Legal	\$980.00		6%
Publishing’s	\$0.00		0%
Seminars	\$0.00		0%
Utilities	\$845.85		30%
City Of Grand View - Street & Road			
Payroll - Supervisor & Maintenance	\$3,322.60		22%
Auto Maintenance, Fuel, & Oil	\$0.00		0%
Backhoe / Mower / Tractor Maint	\$0.00		0%
Capital Outlay	\$0.00		0%
Contingency Fund	\$0.00		0%
Miscellaneous Expense	\$192.84		39%
Professional Services: Audit / Legal	\$950.00		73%
Repair & Maintenance – Streets	\$0.00		0%
Street Signs	\$0.00		0%
Surveying	\$0.00		0%
Tools & Equipment	\$0.00		0%
Utilities - Street Lighting	\$387.99		14%

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is a single family dwelling for residence by a farm/ranch owner’s family member, agent, or employee who is employed full time in the operation of the farm, ranch or agricultural unit (2002 Comprehensive Plan, p.9) For the purposes of this section, full time employee shall be defined as a person who

receives more than 80% of their gross income from a farm or ranch in the year immediately preceding.

Richard Freund – Chairman  
Jerry Hoagland – Commissioner  
Harold Tolmie – Commissioner  
Attest: Charlotte Sherburn  
6/13/07



# Public notices

NOTICE OF PROPOSED BUDGET HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, Pursuant to Idaho Code 15-1001 that a regular meeting and hearing will be held by the Trustees of Pleasant Valley School District No. 364 on June 19, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. at the Pleasant Valley School. The purpose of said meeting and hearing is to hold a public hearing on the proposed 2007-2008 M&O Budget. A copy of the budget is available for inspection in the School District Office by the public during office hours and shall remain available until the hearing. A summary of the 2007-2008 proposed budget is attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein as if set forth in full herein and being printed and published with the NOTICE OF PROPOSED BUDGET HEARING. The meeting and hearing are open to the public. The public is welcome and invited to attend and submit testimony. Time limit for testimony may be set forth by the Board of Trustees at the time of the meeting.

Rene Marie Lowry, Clerk

SUMMARY STATEMENT - 2007 - 2008 SCHOOL BUDGET  
ALL FUNDS

School District: PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 364

REVENUES	GENERAL M & O FUND				ALL OTHER FUNDS			
	Prior Year Actual 2004-2005	Prior Year Actual 2005-2006	Prior Year Budget 2006-2007	Proposed Budget 2007-2008	Prior Year Actual 2004-2005	Prior Year Actual 2005-2006	Prior Year Budget 2006-2007	Proposed Budget 2007-2008
Beginning Balance	\$ 15,283.00	\$ 91,094.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 88,000.00	\$ 58,348.00	\$ 97,389.00	\$ 83,127.00
Local Tax Revenue	\$ 77,740.00	\$ 88,820.00	\$ 47,757.00	\$ 7,826.00				
Other Local	\$ 4,224.00	\$ 4,885.00	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,384.00			
County Revenue								
State Revenue	\$ 157,430.00	\$ 139,896.00	\$ 160,051.00	\$ 204,847.00	\$ 9,003.00	\$ 12,488.00	\$ 9,400.00	\$ 9,953.00
Federal Revenue					\$ 35,389.00	\$ 13,235.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 18,345.00
Other Sources	\$ 1,713.00		\$ 40,285.00	\$ 3,408.00				\$ 7,850.00
Total	\$ 322,390.00	\$ 322,457.00	\$ 216,033.00	\$ 285,182.00	\$ 133,772.00	\$ 112,380.00	\$ 118,889.00	\$ 117,281.00
EXPENDITURES	Prior Year Actual 2004-2005	Prior Year Actual 2005-2006	Prior Year Budget 2006-2007	Proposed Budget 2007-2008	Prior Year Actual 2004-2005	Prior Year Actual 2005-2006	Prior Year Budget 2006-2007	Proposed Budget 2007-2008
Salaries	\$ 83,790.00	\$ 87,183.00	\$ 70,813.00	\$ 70,813.00	\$ 18,918.00	\$ 18,984.00	\$ 18,918.00	\$ 18,918.00
Benefits	\$ 26,459.00	\$ 2,222.00	\$ 22,327.00	\$ 22,496.00	\$ 2,951.00	\$ 6,871.00	\$ 3,969.00	\$ 7,729.00
Purchased Services	\$ 128,873.00	\$ 126,278.00	\$ 143,120.00	\$ 122,118.00	\$ 6,477.00	\$ 8,358.00	\$ 24,600.00	\$ 10,864.00
Supplies & Materials	\$ 12,529.00	\$ 9,134.00	\$ 11,743.00	\$ 15,545.00	\$ 2,214.00	\$ 2,518.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 5,713.00
Capital Outlay	\$ 2,883.00	\$ 3,896.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 22,462.00	\$ 7,274.00	\$ 11,889.00	\$ 8,801.00
Debt Retirement								
Insurance & Judgments	\$ 4,382.00							
Transfers (net)					\$ 1,713.00		\$ 18,900.00	\$ 17,288.00
Contingency Reserve								
Unexpended Balances	\$ 81,094.00	\$ 115,033.00	\$ 318.00	\$ 88,618.00	\$ 88,848.00	\$ 80,184.00	\$ 41,515.00	\$ 88,288.00
Total	\$ 322,390.00	\$ 322,457.00	\$ 216,033.00	\$ 285,182.00	\$ 133,772.00	\$ 112,380.00	\$ 118,889.00	\$ 117,281.00

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

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Notice of Trustee's Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: May 14, 2007 File No.: 7104.26697 Sale date and time (local time): September 13, 2007 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 29396 STATE HIGHWAY 51 BRUNEAU, ID 83604 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Regina May Roscoe and Bradley Steven Roscoe, wife and husband as joint tenants Original trustee: Guaranty Title, Inc. Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for First NLC Financial Services, LLC Recording date: August 4, 2005 Recorder's instrument number: 252862 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of May 14, 2007: \$154,784.67 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary

from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: In Township 6 South, Range 5 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. Section 33: A parcel lying in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter, Section 33, Township 6 South, Range 5 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence running South a distance of 1050 feet; thence running Northwesterly a distance of approximately 960 feet to a point on the Southeasterly line of the State Highway 51, said point also being Southwesterly 875 feet from the Point of Beginning; thence running Northeasterly along the Southeasterly line of State Highway 51, a distance of 875 feet to the Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at [www.northwesttrustee.com](http://www.northwesttrustee.com) or [USA-Foreclosure.com](http://USA-Foreclosure.com). The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7104.26697) 1002.71257-FEI

5/30;6/6,13,20/07

SUMMONS  
CASE NO. CV-07-0194  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT OF  
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN  
AND FOR THE COUNTY OF  
OWYHEE

CHARLIE WILSON  
ENTERPRISES, LLC an Idaho  
limited liability company, by  
and through Charlie Wilson,  
sole member, Plaintiff,

Vs.  
STEPHEN R. LILE, et. al,  
Defendants.

TO: STEPHEN R. LILE,  
HIS HEIRS, SUCCESSORS  
AND ASSIGNS; ASSOCIATES  
FINANCIAL SERVICES

COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., ITS  
SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS;  
PIONEER TITLE COMPANY  
OF CANYON COUNTY, INC.,  
AN IDAHO CORPORATION;  
CITIFINANCIAL MORTGAGE  
COMPANY, INC., A NEW  
YORK CORPORATION, ITS  
SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS;  
JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 10  
AND JANE DOES 1 THROUGH  
10, BEING ALL UNKNOWN  
PERSONS, THEIR HEIRS,  
SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS,  
AND ALL UNKNOWN  
CLAIMANTS, OR POTENTIAL  
CLAIMANTS, OF ANY  
INTEREST IN, OR CLAIMS  
AGAINST, LOT 4, BLOCK  
2 OF CANYON ESTATES  
SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING  
TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT  
THEREOF RECORDED AS  
INSTRUMENT NO. 225941,  
RECORDS OF OWYHEE  
COUNTY IDAHO.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE SUED  
BY THE ABOVE-NAMED  
PLAINTIFF. THE NATURE OF  
THE CLAIM AGAINST YOU IS  
FOR QUIETING PLAINTIFF'S  
TITLE IN AND TO THE REAL  
PROPERTY DESCRIBED  
ABOVE, AND TO TERMINATE  
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 Compliant 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 Compliant and other defenses you may claim.
3. Your signature, mailing address, and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address, and telephone number of your attorney.
4. Proof of mailing or delivery

of a copy of your response  
to Plaintiff's attorney, as  
designated above.

To determine whether you  
must pay a filing fee with your  
response, contact the Clerk of the  
above-named court.  
DATED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May,  
2007.  
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT  
COURT  
CHARLOTTE SHERBURN  
By: Trina Aman, Deputy  
Dan C. Grober, ISB#3511  
Grober Law Office  
17 E. Wyoming Ave.  
PO Box 325  
Homedale, ID 83628  
(208) 337-4945  
Fax (208) 337-4854  
5/23,30;6/6,13/07

NOTICE

The Southwest District Board  
of Health will hold a **Board  
Meeting** on Tuesday, June 19,  
2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00  
noon at Southwest District Health,  
Room 206, 920 Main Street,  
Caldwell, Idaho.  
6/13/07

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# Owyhee County Church Directory

<b>Snake River Valley Fellowship Wilder/Homedale</b> 16613 Garnet Road Sunday 10 am Worship Tuesday 7 pm Pure Word Thursday 7 pm Worship 475-3733 or 880-8962 Pastor Robert Cooperstein	<b>Knight Community Church Grand View</b> 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	<b>Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder</b> Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm
<b>Assembly of God Church Homedale</b> 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	<b>Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale</b> 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Pastor: John Beck Worship Services: 9:30 am Sundays Adult Sunday School: 8:30 am Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm	<b>Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church</b> 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
<b>Mt. Calvary Lutheran Homedale</b> 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	<b>Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing</b> Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henriouille, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	<b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale</b> 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Alan McRae Bishop Dwayne Fisher Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm
<b>Homedale Baptist Church Homedale</b> 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am & 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls	<b>Wilder Church of God Wilder</b> 205 A St. E, 482-7839 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	<b>Mountain View Church of the Nazarene</b> 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
 <b>MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing</b> 221 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Ricardo Rodriguez 896-5552 or 371-3516 <small>Sunday School 1:30 pm • Sunday Service 3 pm Thursday Service 7 pm • (Bilingual Services/Espanol)</small>	<b>Iglesia Evangelica Wilder</b>  317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	<b>Marsing Church of Christ Marsing</b> 932 Franklin, Marsing  Minister Gib Nelson Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am
<b>Christian Church Homedale</b> 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	<b>Bible Missionary Church Homedale</b> West Idaho, 337-4437 Pastor Paul Miller Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	<b>Assembly of God Church Marsing</b> 139 Kerry, 896-4294 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
<b>Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing</b> 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	<b>Nazarene Church Marsing</b> 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	<b>Trinity Holiness Church Homedale</b> 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
<b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing</b> 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 12:30 p.m. Bishop Streibel Sunday 2nd Ward, 9 a.m. Bishop Payne	<b>Vision Community Church Marsing</b> 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.	<b>United Methodist Church Wilder</b> Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor Carolyn Bowers Sunday Services 9:30am
<b>First Presbyterian Church Homedale</b> 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am	<b>Calvary Holiness Church Wilder</b> Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry Open Fridays 10 am - Noon	<b>Seventh Day Adventist Homedale</b> 16613 Garnet Rd., 880-0902 or 453-9289 Pastor Chuck Dimick Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Tuesday Prayer Mtg. 7:00 pm
<b>Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale</b>  711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	<b>Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana</b> 2007 Mass Schedule - the following Saturdays at 9:30am Jan. 27 - Feb. 17 - March 10 - April 28 May 12 - June 9 - July 21 - Aug. 11 Sept. 8 - Oct. 13 - Nov. 24 - Dec. 22 For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031	<b>Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC</b> Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm Miercoles: 4:30 pm Banco de Ropa Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508



## HELP WANTED

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**Bruneau-Grand View** Joint School District No. 365 will be accepting applications for the following positions for the 2007-2008 school year: Half-Time Secondary Math Remediation or Certified K-8 Teacher; Half-Time Art or Music – Elementary & Secondary. Positions Open Until Filled. For more information call or write for applications: Vickie Chandler, Superintendent, Bruneau-Grand View District #365, P.O. Box 310 Grand View, ID 83624 vchandler@sd365.us Web site – sd365.us 834-2253 Fax 834-2293

## HELP WANTED

**Helper needed** - to assist with starting a team of draft horses. Must be experienced around horses. Part time/hourly. Marsing/Homedale area. 896-4638.

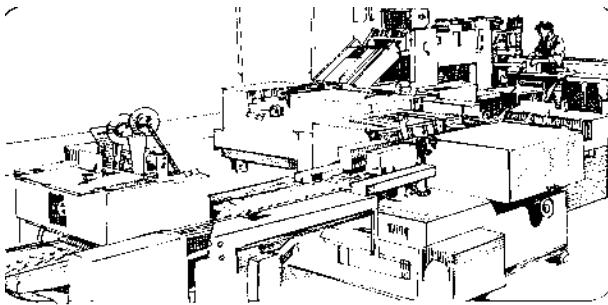
**Help wanted:** drywall, texture, painting, remodeling, framing, siding experience helpful. 869-4192

**CNA needed**, call for info 337-5343

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**T-Bone Steak**



**\$5.49**  
lb.

Boneless Beef

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**\$2.69**  
lb.

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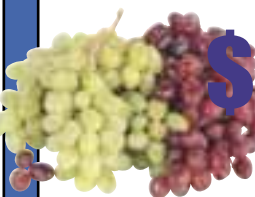
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9-12 oz.

Red or Green

**Seedless Grapes**



**\$1.39**  
lb.

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1 lb.

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**99¢**  
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Western Family 2 lb.

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**\$3.99**  
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ea.

Western Family 40 oz.

**Burritos**

**\$2.29**  
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Lean or Hot Pockets

**4 for \$9**

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**\$2.99**  
ea.

Sausage

**\$2.99**  
ea.

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**\$2.99**  
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Red Bell Peppers

**69¢**  
ea.

Red Potatoes

**59¢**  
lb.

8 oz. Whole

**Mushrooms**

**\$1.69**  
ea.

Jumbo

**Yellow Onions**

**39¢**  
lb.

Roma Tomatoes

**89¢**  
lb.

Large

**Avocados**

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ea.

Western Family

**Ice Cream**



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ea.

5 qt.

64 oz.

**Gatorade**

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ea.

Doritos

**Tortilla Chips**

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ea.

13 oz.

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for

24 oz.

A-1 Steak Sauce

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ea.

10 oz.

Kingsford

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ea.

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37.5 lbs.

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Asst'd

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Asst'd

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**BBQ Sauce**

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ea.

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ea.

36-42 oz.

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**Butter Quarters**

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for

16 oz.

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**Sour Cream**

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ea.

16 oz.

Betty Crocker

**Cake Mix**

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ea.

18-19 oz.

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36 oz.

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