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## Homedale grad talks at OCA meeting

A Homedale High School graduate will be among the speakers Saturday when the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association holds its 129<sup>th</sup> annual summer meeting in Silver City.

Dale Dixon, a 1989 graduate of Homedale, is the executive director of the Idaho Rural Partnership. He will present a talk outlining changing perspectives on agriculture/natural resource issues, and looking ahead at markets and trends as a way to gauge the future for rural Idaho.



*Dale Dixon*

The summer meeting will be held Saturday at the Masonic Lodge. Registration begins at

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## Otter declares disaster



Ranchers face cycle of recovery on several fronts

With several hundred thousand acres of Owyhee County charred or burning, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter granted the board of commissioner's request for a disaster declaration Monday.

"Now that county leaders have reviewed the situation, we're ready to provide all the assistance we can to folks damaged or at risk from the fires," Otter said in a press release. "All over the state, Idahoans are pulling together to protect their homes and property."

"The state is committed to supporting those local efforts."

The local efforts include a prolonged battle against a fire that had consumed more than 500,000 acres in southeast Owyhee County by Monday night and threatened the Nevada border community of Jarbidge.

The fire also disrupted electricity service to Jarbidge and the Duck Valley Reservation.

While Otter's declaration

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### Widespread fires wreak havoc on ranching

*A few cattle lounge in a burned patch in the wake of the large range fire burning in the southeast portion of Owyhee County. The affected forage areas will require reseeding and possibly retirement as part of the rehabilitation process. Photo by Jan Aman. More photos, Pages 14-15*

## Board breaks ground on library

Betty Webb's decades-long dream went into hyperdrive last week.

Members of the Lizard Butte Library board of directors and other dignitaries turned the first shovels of dirt Wednesday during a groundbreaking ceremony for

the district's planned 4,750-square-foot building on the south side of 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue West behind the Marsing Rural Fire District station.

"This is the culmination of a dream," Webb said before the groundbreaking. "When I came to

Marsing, there wasn't a library.

"I'm so thankful for all the help and support the community has shown."

The support began long before the board voted unanimously to

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### Library dream commences

*Lizard Butte Library board chair Rosemary Brown, left, accepts a check from USDA Rural Development state director Mike Field.*

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# Feds to allow city to dredge boat dock

## Homedale crews poised to clear silt

After nearly 18 months of fighting, the City of Homedale has been given the go-ahead to dredge its boat dock on the Snake River.

A spokesman for Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) announced Thursday that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had given the green light to the project in a July 17 letter to Homedale Mayor Paul Fink.

"We're optimistic this is going to result in the reopening of the dock and improved access, and let the city get back to the way things should be," Crapo press secretary Lindsey Nothern said Thursday.

City officials said they already had a working agreement with the South Board of Control to use an excavator to dredge the silt that has rendered the dock useless for several months.

"I'm just tickled to death to hear it finally," city public works superintendent Larry Bauer said when told of the letter.

Bauer, who said he hadn't seen the letter outlining the guidelines for the dredging project, expected work to begin in a couple weeks.

Fink said the dredging might not increase the number of people using the revamped picnic areas and other amenities around Riverside Park. But he said the work will soothe many boaters who have been unable to fully utilize the boat ramp and dock at the end of East First Street North.

"I hope the people'll be happy," Fink said, adding that the Corps of Engineers had kept him in the loop on progress of the permit

process but he had yet to see the letter giving final go-ahead.

In a letter signed by Boise-based regulatory project manager Greg Martinez, the Corps of Engineers placed five specific stipulations on the job. The most important of the rules established that the work could be done in the summer to late fall when flows in the river and water levels within the boat dock area are low.

Bauer said city crews also will place a net between the dock and the river to prevent sediment from escaping into the channel as the work is being done.

The federal go-ahead came two months after representatives from the Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the offices of Sens. Mike Crapo and Larry Craig toured the dock and chatted with city officials.

The plan to dredge the boat dock had been run ashore for two years because there was a possibility that the endangered Idaho springsnail could be in the area.

The springsnail is on the road to being removed from the Endangered Species list, but until it is city officials discovered there were reams of red tape to navigate.

Last week's letter cut through all the bureaucratic road blocks.

"The facilities definitely will be used because they can't be used the way it is," Fink said. "I don't know if it's going to make any more people go down to the area. But definitely people will be able to use the dock."

Fink said he also wants to talk to the Owyhee County Waterways Committee members about repairing the dock, which has cracked plastic planks.

— JPB



## Dairy wants to grow

*DeRuyter Dairy has petitioned the county to allow an increase in its cow population from 9,600 to 14,400.*

# CAFO expansion hearing set today

The Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission has braced itself for a marathon public hearing today in Marsing.

The commission has blocked out seven hours at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center for two hearings. The center is located at 126 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N.

The hearings begin at 10 a.m. with a conditional use permit request from Larry Margery Corta to develop a 6-acre lot for residential use. The lot is located on Sanctuary Lane northwest of Homedale.

But the major portion of today's hearing has been reserved for Nick DeRuyter's conditional

use permit request to expand his confined animal feeding operation (CAFO) on Buntrock Road outside Marsing.

DeRuyter seeks to grow his dairy from 9,600 cows to 14,400 animals.

County planning and zoning administrator Mary Huff said she had received several calls regarding DeRuyter's expansion request.

The DeRuyter hearing is scheduled to run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a lunch break between noon and 1 p.m.

The planning and zoning commission traditionally holds its meetings at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy.

## Producers Supply Co-Op plans a move into Homedale next month

Producers Supply Co-Op, a fixture in the western end of the valley for farmers and ranchers, is planning to open a Homedale location next month.

Mike Reay, an Adrian resident who works as operations manager for the store chain, said the Homedale outlet will be located at 3441 Hwy. 95 on the west side of U.S. Highway 95 and south of the Les Schwab tire store.

Producers Supply Co-Op has

been in the valley for 55 years. The chain's corporate headquarters are in Nampa. The member-owned company also has a seed store in Parma.

Reay said Producers Supply has been looking to locate in Homedale for several years.

The store is looking for employees now, and Reay hopes to open the doors on the Homedale location by the first week of August.

# Plea deal reached in saloon assault

A Homedale man entered a guilty plea last week in relation to pulling a knife on a bar patron July 6.

During a July 16 preliminary hearing in Mur-

phy, Robert Neal pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of exhibition of a deadly weapon, which is a misdemeanor. Homedale

*Robert Neal*

Police originally arrested Neal on a felony charge of aggravated assault with use of a deadly weapon or instrument.

Neal was arrested hours after he pulled a knife on Marsing resident Bruce Caba at the Last Chance Saloon in Homedale as Caba, who was a customer, was trying to escort another man from the bar.

The second man, George Duval, wasn't charged.

As part of his guilty plea, Neal was fined \$225 and ordered to serve six months in jail. All but \$75 of the fine was suspended, and the court suspended 169 days of the jail term.

Neal also received credit for the 11 days he had spent in the Owyhee County Jail in Murphy.

Neal also was placed under 24 months of unsupervised probation and was ordered not to possess a knife or any other weapons.

He also must have no contact with Caba and has to stay away from the Last Chance Saloon.

— JPB



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# Bruneau/GV trustees set bond election

Plant facilities proposal would replace bond to be paid off later this month

Patrons of the Bruneau/Grand View School District will go to the polls next month to decide the fate of a nearly \$5 million bond proposal.

The district's board of trustees accepted a plant facilities bond proposal from a committee of trustees, administrators and residents during its annual meeting Thursday at Rimrock High School.

"One of the things that I'm most proud of and I think is the most important aspect of this process is that it originated in the community with the citizens," district superintendent Vickie L. Chandler said.

The bond election is scheduled to take place Aug. 28.

If passed, the bond will replace a \$2.5 million plant facilities levy that is scheduled to be retired on July 31. That bond was passed by district patrons in Owyhee and Elmore counties in 1992.

"The process started over a year ago," Chandler said. "We knew the old bond was going to retire this July, and we knew that we needed a plan in place to take care of these expenditures that we wouldn't have (funds) in place without the bond."

Chandler said the plant facilities and strategic planning committees did their homework when putting together the proposal, even going so far as to get estimates on each project that was deemed necessary

and determining the sequence of repairs so that roofing wouldn't have to be replaced when wiring or ceiling tiles were put in later.

"It was very, very important for every person that worked on this bond to do their homework," Chandler said. "They ... wanted to be as close to the actual cost of the project as they could so they weren't making guesses with people's money."

A brochure outlining the bond's objectives and listing the times and dates of public meetings is scheduled to be mailed to patrons in both affected counties Friday, Chandler said.

The bond's actual price tag will be \$4,956,500.

Chandler stressed that the to-do list was developed by the committee through investigation of what was needed at the district's three campuses. No list was mandated by the superintendent or the school board, she said.

"(Committee members) have been very frugal," Chandler said. "They actually had a list that was bigger than what they ended up with."

Trustees approved the proposal after a PowerPoint presentation from the bond committee during last week's meeting.

Doug Thurman, a spokesman for the committee, said that levy impacts and other details will be available at the public meetings:

- Aug. 8, 7 p.m., for Chattin



## District seeks to finance repairs

A committee of school patrons and school administrators have identified issues that must be addressed at all three Bruneau/Grand View School District campuses, including Bruneau Elementary (above), Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School (below) and Grand View Elementary (bottom). Submitted photos



Flats Precinct patrons in Elmore County at Grand View Senior Citizens Center

- Aug. 14, 7 p.m., at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School

- Aug. 16, noon, at Grand View Senior Citizens Center

- Aug. 16, 7 p.m., at Grand View Elementary and sponsored by the PTA

- Aug. 21, 7 p.m., at Oreana Community Hall

- Aug. 22, 7 p.m., at Bruneau Elementary

Thurman also said that anyone not able to make one of these meetings can contact a committee member for more information. A



list of the committee members appears on the Bruneau/Grand View School District Web site.

In other action during the meeting, Joe Merrick was appointed to fill the Zone 4 trustee vacancy. Former board chair Jeffrey Knight didn't seek

re-election, and no one filed candidacy papers prior to this spring's vote.

Dixie Black was elected to replace Knight as board chair, and Ray Meyers was appointed vice-chair.

— JPB

## New reporter joins Owyhee Avalanche staff this week

Rob Hedden has joined The Owyhee Avalanche from the Peninsula Daily News in Port Angeles, Wash. Hedden was a member of a sports staff that covers a dozen communities in two northwest Washington counties between Olympic National Park and the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

Hedden's first day on the job was Monday. He can be reached at rhedden@cableone.net or 337-4681.

He previously served as a reporter, sports editor and manag-

ing editor of The Buccaneer, the student newspaper at Peninsula College in Port Angeles. During Hedden's tenure as managing editor, The Buccaneer was awarded second place in general excellence among newspapers in its class in the state of Washington.

A former computer systems analyst, Hedden left his technology career to pursue journalism for the opportunity to tell stories, something he has done since childhood.

Hedden is married and enjoys

spending as much time as possible outdoors with his wife and 7-year-old daughter.

Among numerous factors influencing his decision to join The Avalanche, Hedden lists the following:

"I have lived in Montana, Wy-



Rob Hedden

oming, Oregon and Washington. Although I have passed through Idaho many times, I have never had the opportunity to really experience what the state has to offer. I look forward to meeting the people, exploring the country and learning what Idaho is all about."

"Family and community are very important to me. I was looking for an opportunity to tell stories of interest and import in a family-oriented community. I have found that opportunity with The Avalanche."

"The Avalanche rose to the top of the list during family discussions about the possibility of leaving western Washington. We definitely wanted to stay in the Northwest, but my daughter insisted that her beagle, Prince Arik the Cowdog, Head of Ranch Security and Owner of the Texas Panhandle, needs to live near cowboys.

"Owyhee County is just what we were looking for. Hopefully, Arik will be exchanging his Texas holdings for a stake in southwest Idaho."

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Motorcycle crash backs up traffic

Emergency personnel from five different agencies converged on the scene of an injury accident early last week on Homedale Road in Canyon County.

Drive-in owner hurt in cycle crash

A Homedale restaurant owner received extensive injuries to his arms and legs early last week in a motorcycle accident on Homedale Road.

Homedale Drive-In owner Pat Shenk, 49, was hurt when his 2006 Harley-Davidson motorcycle ran into the back of a 16-foot utility trailer being pulled by a Case tractor at 2:53 p.m. on July 16.

The tractor belonged to Symms Fruit Ranch and was being driven by 18-year-old Juan Ramos of Caldwell.

According to reports, Shenk was traveling westbound on Homedale Road when he came upon the slow-moving tractor and trailer. Canyon County Sheriff Cpl. Ferrin Harland said Shenk at first was going to pass the vehicle and trailer but changed his mind when Ramos began to turn left off the roadway into a fruit orchard.

“He wasn’t going fast that I could see,” Harland said. “He

was just going to swing around (the trailer).”

The accident took place 906 feet west of the intersection of Homedale and Van Slyke roads, Harland said.

Traffic was stopped in both directions as personnel from Homedale Ambulance, Homedale Police Department, Canyon County Sheriff’s Office, Canyon County Paramedics and Wilder/Greenleaf Police responded.

Shenk, whose address was listed as Wilder on Canyon County Sheriff’s Office reports, was transported to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center by that county’s paramedics, according to Harland.

Harland said Shenk underwent reconstructive surgery on one knee last week.

No citations were issued, the corporal said.

— JPB



Bike damaged in accident

The fender and turn signal of Pat Shenk’s 2006 Harley-Davidson were damaged during the July 16 crash on Homedale Road.

Former Owyhee magistrate to head state’s High Court

Eismann sworn in as chief justice by governor Tuesday

Former Owyhee County magistrate Daniel T. Eismann was sworn in Tuesday as the chief justice of the Idaho Supreme Court.

Eismann, 60, has served as an Idaho Supreme Court justice since defeating Justice Cathy Silak in a 2000 election.

Raised in Owyhee County, Eismann succeeds Chief Justice Gerald Schroeder, who is retiring Monday. He also will become the senior justice when Justice Linda Copple Trout retires next month.

Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter administered the oath to Eismann at the Idaho Supreme Court building in Boise during an afternoon ceremony.

The other justices of the state’s High Court elected Eismann to the position of chief justice.

Eismann began his road to chief justice when he was appointed magistrate judge in Owyhee County after a 10-year career as a private-practice lawyer.

He was appointed district judge in Ada County in 1995 by then-Gov. Phil Batt. The drug court established by federal grant in 1999

grew out of an idea set in motion by Eismann soon after his appointment. He served on the drug court until shortly before his election to the state Supreme Court. He won re-election in 2004.

Married with three children, Eismann lives in Eagle.

He was honorably discharged from the military after two decorated tours in Vietnam. He graduated cum laude from the University of Idaho Law School in 1976.

Eismann’s administrative responsibilities will include coordination with the lower courts and serving as head of the Idaho Judicial Council, which investigates complaints against judges and interviews for open judicial slots.

The council will decide who will be the next Owyhee County magistrate on Aug. 3. Homedale attorney Dan C. Grober and Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Faulks both filed applications to succeed Thomas J. Ryan, who was appointed to the Third District Court in Caldwell.



Daniel T. Eismann



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### ✓ Disaster: Ranchers seek forage options

covered five counties in the state, Owyhee by far is the hardest hit.

In addition to the Murphy Complex, which resulted from last week's merger of the Rowland fire 9 miles southwest of Murphy Hot Springs and the Elk Mountain blaze 5 miles southeast of Three Creek, thousands of acres have been burned near Silver City and Jordan Valley.

Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman ordered the evacuation of Murphy Hot Springs and the Diamond A Ranch during the weekend. He was assisted in the effort by deputies, posse members and the Idaho State Police.

Even though Aman lifted the evacuation order for Murphy Hot Springs, Jarbidge still was under an evacuation decree Monday night, and people were being advised to stay away from Three Creek.

Containment isn't expected until Aug. 4.

On top of making county ranchers nervous and knocking them off their work schedule, the blazes have made for a smoky future.

"The major concerns are the forage for this year," outgoing Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president Russ Turner said. "If it does burn, where are we going to find forage for the next two years based on the BLM's current practice of closing it for two years?"

The Bureau of Land Management has a standing policy of suspending federal grazing rights for two years whenever a fire breaks

out. But only about 15 percent of the land burned in the Boulder Creek and Tongue Complex fires earlier this month near Silver City was under BLM jurisdiction. The rest was private.

Then there's the drought that preceded this dry fire season. The combination of a loss of rangeland and the lack of water for livestock and irrigation could cause some cattle inventories to shrink, Turner said.

He said another short water year could be devastating to cattlemen.

"There may be a bunch of us looking for forage or selling cattle," said Turner, who said that an earlier fire in the Jackpot, Nev., area affected his summer range.

The Murphy Complex is burning northwest of Jackpot and moving south and southwest, according to Monday's daily update.

To be sure, if the fire season continues at its current pace, it will have a negative impact on the ranching economy.

"Historically there are three ways you can deal with it: Sell your animals, buy hay or truck them off to another location where there is forage," Turner said.

The fires that broke out last week may have put a serious crimp in option No. 3, and Turner said hay production is down this year because of the water shortage.

"People are having to buy hay to get through the winter, which is driving feeder cow hay prices

up," he said.

"This thing is region-wide. Nevada is drier than we are. Oregon. We're all just abnormally dry."

The Boulder Creek Fire, which is now under patrol management according to incident management team spokesperson Debbie Santiago, and other blazes in the Jordan Valley and Silver City region have contributed to the worst fire season in a decade, according to rancher Kenny Kershner.

The Old Maid Fire, about 15 miles northwest of Jordan Valley, burned 7,200 acres before containment this weekend.

Another Jordan Valley-area rancher, Dennis Stanford, was affected by the Clark Butte fire, which burned more than 30,000 acres in BLM's Vale District.

He said the situation in that part of the region is the worst in nearly 40 years.

But the difference between the 1960s and now is that ranchers can't help one another out by sharing pastures.

The BLM cap on Animal Units per Month (AUMs) has changed the dynamic.

Stanford said he will have to send his calves to a feedlot for fattening. That and selling off livestock will affect his business for a decade, he said.

"It will take you 10 years to get the numbers back up, and monetarily you're paying more for your grass than you normally would."

— JPB



### Board digs into Lizard Butte's future

Members of the Lizard Butte Library District's board of directors, Vince Moreno from Rep. Bill Sali's state office, and several children took part in the groundbreaking ceremony Wednesday.

### ✓ Library: Low bid allows more accessories to be added

accept KMO Construction's bid of \$506,000 during an outdoor meeting convened immediately before the ceremony — and just a few feet from the row of shovels.

"I'm real excited about the bids. They came in real good," library director Janna Streibel said.

Streibel and others pointed out that the low bid by Nampa-based KMO (which stands for Kent M. Odom) leaves plenty of room to buy computers and shelving and to finance the construction of the community room that was on the original wish list.

Voters overwhelmingly approved a \$775,000, 21-year bond during a February election. Of the votes cast, 92 percent were in favor of the project.

"This is just the beginning of bigger things for the community of Marsing," said Vince Moreno, the state assistant for natural resources and environmental issues from the office of Rep. Bill Sali (R-Idaho).

"It's good to see the community rally around this for the future of the youth."

Mike Field, a Grand View native and the state director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development agency, echoed that sentiment after he passed off a \$775,000 check that voters secured by passing the bond.

"There's lots of times in rural communities where the only thing that keeps the community together is the library," Field said. "That's the glue. I see it in my hometown of Grand View."

Field explained that Rural Development is involved in both the economic and social development of rural communities.

"And this is something that brings a community together and makes it stronger," he said as small children raced through a dirt patch filled with weeds.

By December or January, that patch will take the form of a gathering place, Brown said.

Jim Main, the project architect from Meridian-based Design West, said KMO could begin construction as early as the first

week of August.

"They're going to end up with the extra facility that we designed and probably have some upgrades," Main said, reflecting on how KMO's bid allowed enough capital to fulfill the entire master plan.

The winning bid seemed to reflect the willingness of KMO and other applicants to not only add to their revenue but bring something to Marsing.

"It's outstanding," USDA Rural Development community project specialist Dave Flesher said. "All the bids came well within budget."

Streibel said the library will sell commemorative bricks through the end of September to collect more funds to supply the library. Each brick costs \$30 and can carry up to three lines of type at 15 characters per line. Those interested in buying bricks can drop by the library's current location in Owyhee Plaza or contact any member of the Friends of the Lizard Butte Library group.

As the building takes shape, nearly 5,000 square feet of space — not only for the library but as a community meeting place — will be a far cry from the current location on Main Street, and especially the 900-square-foot space Webb secured from the town's Nazarene church for the first library back in 1981.

"The first library was the Nazarene church's parsonage," she said.

She said she operated the library without the benefit of a tax levy until about 1985.

And now the library will be not only an extension of the original dream, but it also will give the town a place for smaller gatherings rather than using the relatively cavernous Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center.

"We're going to get the community center we were coveting," district board member Helena Hennis said. "What an addition that will be."

— JPB

### ✓ OCA: Masonic Hall hosts meeting again

9 a.m., with the meeting starting at 9:30 a.m.

Other highlights of the meeting include an update on the Owyhee Initiative and the presentation of a Life Member Award to Reynolds Creek-area ranchers Elias and Inez Jaca.

The Cattlemen also will elect new members for the board of directors. Outgoing president Russ Turner from Bruneau will hand the gavel over to 28-year-old Dana Rutan of South Mountain.

Resolutions will be presented after a break for a potluck lunch.

Saturday night, the social will begin at 5 p.m., followed by a barbecue tri-tip dinner catered by H&W Meats at 6 p.m. Cost is \$16 per person.

The dance starts at 9 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person. The Bob Oliver Band will provide music.

Sunday's activities start with a 7 a.m. breakfast, again catered by H&W Meats, and featuring bacon, sausage, pancakes, hash browns, eggs, juice and coffee. Cost is \$9.50.

The directors will hold a 10 a.m. meeting at the Nettleton Horse Corral to wrap up the weekend.



### Masonic Hall, circa 1860s

The Silver City Masonic Hall, shown here in an 1860s photograph from the Mildretta Adams collection, will be home for the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association summer meeting for the third straight year this weekend.



# Obituaries

## John Troyer

Captain John Eric Troyer, age 34, of Coeur d’Alene, Idaho went to heaven Saturday, July 14, 2007. He was en route on his motorcycle coming home from the Army Guard in Helena, Montana when he was struck by another vehicle.

John was born September 23, 1972 in Boise, Idaho. John grew up in the Boise Valley. At the age of 6, John showed a very passionate interest in things that flew.

He was always curious in what made things go. He did a number of experiments with his wagon such as riding it off the cliff to see how far it would go. He was encouraged with this need to know by his stepfather, who flew helicopters for the Guard. He graduated from Boise High School and immediately joined the Idaho Army Guard in the aviation unit.

He also enrolled in Boise State University. This is where he met

his next door neighbor, Robyn MacKenzie, who would become the love of his life. They were married on May 12, 1994. He then went to Flight School in Fort Rucker, Alabama, where he fulfilled his lifelong dream of becoming a helicopter pilot. He was certified to fly Blackhawks, Chinooks, and OH-58’s, along with Fixed Wing Aircrafts.

He then returned to Boise State University and graduated with a BA in Business. Shortly after he graduated, with his never-ending curiosity about life and adventure he moved to Coeur d’Alene. It was here that he wanted to make his life, embrace the beauty, and raise a family.

One of his greatest enjoyments was flying, which took him on many adventurous places. Those included El Salvador, Japan, Salt Lake City Winter Olympics, Katrina (New Orleans disaster), California, and many other various wildfire fighting efforts



around the country. He served one year in Iraq flying Blackhawk helicopters. He was currently serving as the commander for HHC 1-189 AVN BN involved in border patrol efforts in New Mexico.

John had many passions in life. He was always up for a challenge

and a new idea or way to become successful. He loved talking to a stranger or friend, whoever would listen, and he would offer his advice and thoughts of the day. He had a gift to gab and a dry martini sense of humor. He loved to take rides on his motorcycle, going out on the lake boating with his friends, or just hanging out. He enjoyed his annual motorcycle trip through Idaho and Montana with his friends. He and Robyn would often take weekend trips just for time together. Seattle was one of his favorite destinations where he could catch either the Seahawks or a Mariners game. He rarely missed a Sunday or Monday night football game. His highest priority was spending time with his family. You could find John sledding with his two boys, Ben and Alex, in the winter, and fishing in the summer. He taught Ben how to ski at Lookout and was looking forward to teaching Alex to ski also.

John will be missed greatly by his father, Frank L Troyer; his mother, Coral Warrick; stepfather, Roger Warrick; wife, Robyn L Troyer; sons, Benjamin Eric Troyer, age 5 and Alexander Reed Troyer, age 2; siblings, Todd R. Alexander, C. Roxanne Burkett, David A. Warrick, and Dalanie B. Warrick; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Robert S. MacKenzie and Karen F. MacKenzie, and their family.

The funeral service was held 10:00 A.M. Friday, July 20, 2007 at the Yates Funeral Home, 744 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St., Coeur d’Alene, Idaho. Burial followed at Coeur d’Alene Memorial Gardens. Please in lieu of flowers send all donations to Sterling Savings Bank, 1106 Sherman Ave, Coeur d’Alene, ID 83814 for The Ben and Alex Troyer Fund or to a charity of your choice in remembrance of John Troyer. Please visit John’s memorial and sign his online guestbook at [www.yatesfuneralhomes.com](http://www.yatesfuneralhomes.com)

## Shirlee Maxine Norton

Our loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother passed away on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007 after an extended illness.

Shirlee was born in Homedale, ID to Daniel and LouLou Haylett on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1935. She grew up in Homedale with her five siblings and graduated from Homedale High School.

During her grade school years Shirlee became friends with Mitzi, Donna and Judy and they would remain the closest of friends her entire life.

Shirlee married Dick Norton and they started their family remaining in the Boise, Idaho area until Dick’s passing in 1995. Shirlee and Dick had four children, ZoAnn, Scott, Dawn and Shannon. While starting a family, Shirlee also started her career with Boise Cascade. She worked in several divisions and retired after 35 years.

After retiring Shirlee moved to

Coeur d’Alene and became very active with cancer and community charities (3C’s) serving as treasurer for eight years.

Shirlee enjoyed her family more than anything and spent months planning her annual Easter egg hunt for them. She was very involved in all of her children’s lives and all of her grandchildren and great grandchildren will miss their grandma Shirlee.

Shirlee was preceded in death by her parents, and her husband Dick Norton.

She is survived by her four children, ZoAnn (Bob) Morriss of Boise, Scott (Diana) Norton of Almere, Holland, Dawn Thompson of Coeur D’ Alene and Shannon (Todd) Powell of Spokane, nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

A memorial dinner to celebrate Shirlee’s life will be held July 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at the Homedale American Legion Hall.

## Jack David Dickey



Jack David Dickey, 73, of Homedale, Idaho lost his battle with cancer July 19, 2007 in a Boise hospital with family present. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday July 25<sup>th</sup> at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene (corner of Ustick and Batt Corner Rd.). Interment will follow at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

Jack was born on November 30, 1933 in Melrose, New Mexico to Samuel David Dickey and Lottie Pearl Burdine Watson. Jack married Marie Clone and raised 4 children. Jack and Marie remained married until her death in 1998.

Jack received an honorary discharge from the U.S. Army after serving in the Korean War. Jack had other jobs working in the coal mines and oil fields, but his calling was working for the Homedale Police Department for 27 years before retiring.

Jack spent the remainder of his years with his special friend Rose Mary Martinez. They enjoyed years of traveling, fishing and holidays with family. One of their favorite pastimes was playing cards with his only sister Verna Spickler of Nampa.

Jack is deeply loved and will be

greatly missed by his family and friends. Jack is survived by his children, Barbara and her husband Christopher Norton, St. Maries Idaho, Irma and her husband Dick of Indian Cove, Idaho, his only son David Dickey and his wife Maureen of Eagle, Idaho and Rita and her husband Charles Jacobsen of Hammett, Idaho, along with numerous grandkids, great grandkids and nieces and nephews.

Jack was preceded in death by his wife Marie Dickey, parents Samuel David Dickey, Lottie Pearl Watson and stepdaughter Lorene Murphy.

Memorials may be sent in lieu of flowers to Idaho Peace Officers Memorial Fund, PO Box 37, Meridian Idaho 83680-0037. (208) 884-7231

A viewing was held Tuesday, July 24, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Homedale.



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# Your finances

## Mutuals beat single stocks every time

**Dear Dave,**  
How do you feel about online trading for building a stock portfolio? Assuming that someone has done their homework on which stocks to buy, is there anything else to know about do-it-yourself trading?

— Kevin

**Dear Kevin,**  
There's one very important thing to know — don't do it! This kind of thing is just one rung below day trading on the ladder of stupidity.  
Here's the problem. When most people talk about "doing their homework" on single stocks they're just barely skimming the surface. And most of the time this involves just talking to their broke friends. There's no way you and your golfing buddy are going to dig up and decipher the kind of solid, reliable information you'll need to be successful at this kind of thing.  
I'd much rather go with a mutual fund that's spent millions of dollars analyzing companies and doing real research. What you're talking about is a million times riskier than using good growth stock mutual funds — selected by professionals — with 90 to 100 different stocks.

I don't own one single stock, Kevin. And you shouldn't either!  
— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
I sent in my final two car payments totaling \$400 to pay off my car. I had gotten behind, and they had been calling me about the debt. They continued calling even after I'd sent in the payments, and a guy finally told me they had changed their mailing address and I'd sent the money to the wrong place. Then, he got nasty and started demanding that I make the payment over the phone. He wouldn't even give me the correct address. What can I do?

— Jean

**Dear Jean,**  
Never, ever make any kind of transaction like that over the phone with a creditor. Call the bank right now, and put a stop payment on the check you sent to the wrong address.  
Next, you need to call these people back and flat out ask for the correct address to send your



payment. Chances are you won't get the same guy, but if you do just hang up on him and call again. You're trying to make things right, and all you need at this point is information. You don't have to put up with being verbally abused by this jerk.

Take charge of the situation, Jean. If the phone jockeys continue to harass you, demand to speak to a supervisor and let him or her know that you're willing to overnight a check to them, but there's no way you're giving someone whose been rude, obnoxious and unprofessional electronic access to your checking account!

— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
My husband and I disagree over the maximum amount of our take-home pay that should go toward our house payment. What do you think?

— C.R.

**Dear C.R.,**  
You can qualify for a low-side ratio of around 28 percent of your gross monthly pay. That's what you make before taxes. But you should never take out a mortgage with a monthly payment anywhere near that large.

If you're wise, your payments won't be more than 25 percent of your net, or take-home pay. And the reason is simple. If you keep your mortgage payments at a fourth of your take-home pay it's lots easier to stay out of debt in other areas and save money.  
Smart question, C.R.!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is the best-selling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. You can find tools to help with finances or previous columns at [Davesays.org](http://Davesays.org). For more financial advice, visit the Web site or call (888) 22-PEACE. Send correspondence to [syndication@daveramsey.com](mailto:syndication@daveramsey.com) or write Dave Says, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

# Obituary

## Anthony Christian Wilson

Anthony Christian Wilson, age 26, passed away suddenly on Thursday, July 12, 2007.

We gathered to celebrate Tony's life on Thursday, July 19, at noon in the Jake Maberry Gymnasium at Lynden High School with Pastor Craig Hardinger officiating. The celebration was preceded by a graveside service in Lynden Cemetery at 11 a.m.

Tony was the oldest child and only son of Jeff and Sandy Wilson. He was born in Caldwell, Idaho, on Sept. 22, 1980 and moved with his family to Lynden from McCall, Idaho, in 1991.

He graduated from Lynden High School in 1999 and earned a bachelor's degree from Western Washington University. He began his career this past year as a financial planner at Merrill Lynch Investment Services of Bellingham.

Tony had a deep love for sports. He excelled in football, basketball and baseball in high school and in football at WWU. He shared his passion and knowledge of the game by coaching basketball at Meridian High School and football at



Lynden High School.

Tony was kind, gentle and outgoing. He loved deeply and generously and was a dedicated friend to many. He gave freely of his time and was active in several community organizations including the Lynden Pioneer Museum Board, Lynden Masonic Lodge #56 and Toastmasters International. He was in the process of bringing his passion for golf and youth sports together by organizing a benefit golf

tournament that will take place on Aug. 10 and will be renamed in his honor.

Tony is survived by his parents, Jeff and Sandy Wilson; sister Jenn Wilson of Lynden; the love of his life, Bree Brandt of Laurel; maternal grandmother Donna Lowrance, paternal grandparents Harold and Mary Wilson and maternal great-grandmother Wilma Edick, all of Homedale, Idaho; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather John Fisher.

Visitation hours were from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 18, at Gillies Funeral Home of Lynden.

Memorials in Tony's honor may be made to the Tony Wilson Scholarship, c/o Dollars for Scholars, 1201 Bradley Rd., Lynden, WA 98264.

You are invited to share your memories of Tony by signing the on-line guest book at [www.gilliesfuneralhome.com](http://www.gilliesfuneralhome.com).

Services are under the care of Gillies Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Lynden.

# Calendar

### Today

DivorceCare recovery support group, 7 p.m., Mtn. View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151

### Thursday

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

Summer reading activity day, 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

Homedale City Council meeting, 6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. (208) 337-4641

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

### Friday

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

### Tuesday

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

Summer reading program, 3 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. (208) 475-3733

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

### Wednesday

DivorceCare recovery support group, 7 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151

Melba Cottage Library book club meeting, 7 p.m., Melba Cottage Library, 109 Charlotte Drive. (208) 495-1063

*Submit information on upcoming fund-raisers, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.*

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# Obituaries

## Charles Edwin Yost

The family of Charles Edwin Yost would like to invite you to join us for a memorial service to celebrate his life on Saturday, July 28 at 11:00 a.m. at the Fargo Cemetery in Wilder, Idaho, followed by a luncheon at the Senior Citizen's Center in Homedale. Chuck passed away peacefully on June 11, 2007 at the age of 76 at his home in Caldwell, surrounded by his family.

Chuck was born May 4, 1931 on the Yost family homestead between Homedale and Wilder, to Harold E. and Edith A. Yost. While growing up there with his parents and sister and brother, he learned how to raise the fruit and crops that would become his livelihood. He attended school in Homedale and graduated from Homedale High School where he was student body president and played football, basketball, and baseball. He was proud to serve his country in the Armed Forces in the Korean War and then returned home to begin his career in farming.

Chuck married Melba Lee Friel on June 24, 1951 in Homedale. They lived in Homedale and then later moved to the Yost homestead where they lived and raised their family. Through everyday life on the farm, Chuck and Melba taught their children, by example, the value of hard work and the importance of strong family relationships. The kids all agree that ours was the best upbringing a child can have and we will be forever grateful for our parents' love and guidance and the time we spent together working and playing. Daddy always had time, patience, and a good word for his family and friends. His

optimistic attitude, kindness to all living things, and charitable personality were inspirational, and the rewards were reaped by his family, his friends, and the many dogs and cats that were lucky enough to find their way to the farm.

Chuck enjoyed people and felt strongly that it was important to give his time and energy to community and many other worthwhile causes. His ability to listen without judgment and get along with everybody served him well throughout his life. He was active in the Homedale Volunteer Fire Department and served on the Homedale School Board as a board member and as chairman, was a member of the Homedale Odd Fellows, and was a sponsor for Little League.

Chuck was appointed to the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Commission for the State of Idaho and served on the Apple, Prune, and Cherry commission for many years. He was a member of the Idaho State Horticultural Society, served on the board for the Wilder Irrigation District and The Boise Project Board of Control, and was president and director of the Idaho Water User's Association. Chuck was a major contributor to the development of Lucky Peak hydroelectric project. In 1996 Chuck was inducted into the Idaho Water User's Hall of Fame at their annual convention, an honor which is awarded to a person with a long history of service and leadership in local and state issues affecting water resources for both farm and property users.

Chuck and Melba farmed in the Wilder area for 35 years and



enjoyed many apple harvests, visiting with friends over the sorting bins and trading produce among families. In 1990 Chuck accepted the position of Manager of the Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company and he and Melba moved to Aberdeen, Idaho, where he was president of the Aberdeen Rotary Club. In 1997 they moved to Caldwell to enjoy their retirement years surrounded by family.

One of Chuck's greatest joys was watching his grandchildren play sports. He attended every football, baseball, softball, basketball and volleyball game and track meet possible and enjoyed watching the kids develop their athletic skills and getting to know their friends. He and Melba spent many hours traveling to and attending local school events, in addition to the many activities and events of their grandchildren in Washington. He was a very "hands on" Grandpa and the grandkids remember the special treat of getting to ride on the tractor with Grandpa

when they were little! We had recently traveled to Oregon to watch Korey play baseball for Pacific University, and although he hadn't been able to get out much recently, Chuck had lots of energy that weekend and was very happy to get to see Korey play and spend time with his grandchildren and great-grandson in Oregon.

Chuck is survived by his wife, Melba, daughters Cindy Bird and her husband Gary, Amy Saijo and her husband Dennis, and son Blair and his wife Laurie, grandchildren Amanda Theissen and her husband Joe, Sheena, Taryn, and Jennifer Saijo, Kasey, Korey, Chase, and Karissa Yost and their mother Teresa, Kassie and Tyson Ruff, his great-grandsons Peyton Theissen and Kevin Saijo and his grand-dogs, who will miss his attention.

He also leaves behind his sister and brother-in-law Mary Alice and Bill Marston and their children and grandchildren Dan and Deb Marston, Derek, Chris, and Andrew Marston, Dana Marston, Scott Marston, Ted and Debbie Marston, Anne and Seth Van Wassenhove and Elizabeth and Sam, Leslie Marston, Julie and Cory Yost and sister-in-law Wanda and Lonney Spath and their children and grandchildren, Coreen and Bill Schwartz, Carly, Max, and Lacey, Kelly Waite, and Kristen and Chip Caywood, Kayla, Hayley and Morgan, sister-in-law Shirley Friel and her children and grandchildren Fred and Diane Friel, Jennifer and Mason Dille, Meaghan Friel and Chris Butcher, Audrey and Zoe Friel, Terry and Lynn Friel, Mica and Tim Friel,

Melissa Friel, and Jeff Friel, and Bruce and Korissa Taylor, Robin and Mike Thompson, Josh, Jared, and Jordan, and Richard and Sarah Taylor.

Chuck was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Thomas Yost, his daughter Alicia Jan Yost, his nephew Doug Marston, his brother-in-law Marvin Friel, sister-in-law Myrna Taylor, brother-in-law Robert Taylor, and his father-in-law and mother-in-law Ora and Fay Friel. Grandmother said many, many times that we were the luckiest family in the world because Chuck was in it!

Chuck had battled with the symptoms of Parkinson's disease and emphysema over the past few years. We would like to thank the Parkinson's Support Group in Caldwell for the information and support they gave to Chuck and Melba, the staff at the Veteran's Hospital in Boise for their personal care and humor, and the kindness and compassion that Maureen and the staff from Legacy Hospice gave to Chuck and our family as he spent his last week at home. The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to your favorite charity.

*A bluebird perched out in my tree and sang a happy song*

*He filled my heart with happiness and joy that knew no bounds*

*The bird said I must fly away, but please feel no despair*

*For though you cannot see me, doesn't mean that I'm not there*

*So let your heart be happy and remember what you may*

*And if you listen carefully you'll hear me every day.*

## Leslie Lee Ford

Leslie Lee Ford, 82, of Homedale Idaho, retired peacefully from this life July 22, 2007 at home.

Les began his life's journey on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1925 in Arena Valley, Idaho to Lawrence and Attris Ford. He was raised and educated in the Parma and Caldwell area. Les left high school and joined the Navy as a coxswain. His was honorably discharged in 1946.

After the war Les met and married Catherine V. Ferguson. They married in October 1946 in Wapato, WA. As a young man Les worked as a logger in the State of Oregon where they started their family.

Les and Catherine had three

children; two sons, David W. Ford and Larry C. Ford, one daughter, Terry A. Ford. The family later moved to Idaho residing in Caldwell. Les worked for the Caldwell Fire Department for approx. 11 years. He was also building houses at the same time. In 1964 Les moved the family to Homedale where he operated the Quarter Horse Bar for 10 years. He then drove truck with his wife for KIT Trailer MFG until they retired.

Dad loved to camp, fish and spend time with his family. In his early years he loved to dance. Les was a lifetime member of American Legion Post #32.

He was a loving husband, a good father, and a very good grandfather.

Les was blessed with a large family. He is survived by his wife, Catherine, his son, Larry (Deb) Ford of Homedale, daughter, Terry (J.R.) Belveal, a daughter-in-law Jo (Homer) Howell of Wilder, a brother, Gary (Pat) Ford of Arizona, sisters, Karen (Ted) Knezevich of Texas, Donna Jean (Leo) Rapacon of Sand Hollow, a brother, John (Theresa) Aramburu of Boise, sisters, Pauline Johnson of Emmett, June (Kevin) Gapes of Meridian, lifelong cousins/sisters, Opal (Archie) Gulley of Caldwell, six grandchildren, twelve great-

grandchildren, a special great-grandson, Zeb Perkins, numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Lawrence and Dean Ford, Attris and Pablo Aramburu, sister, Velma Johnson, son, David W. Ford, and great-granddaughter, Samantha Grace Reynolds.

A special thanks to caregivers, Donna Fisher, Lynda Woodhall, and Georgia Nelson.

Memorials may be given to the Homedale American Legion Post #32 (P.O. Box 444 Homedale, ID 83628).

At Leslie's request no services will be held.



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# Nuke plant files with P&Z

County officials have begun review of the conditional use permit (CUP) application filed last week by a group hoping to build a nuclear power plant near Bruneau.

At its July 16 meeting in Murphy, the county commission agreed to defer the application fee and waive the 125-day deadline by which time a public hearing on the Idaho Energy Complex's CUP request must be set. The company admittedly submitted an incomplete application to the planning and zoning department, which will review it.

The application can't be approved until the public hearing process is completed. IEC zoning consultant Mark Pecchenino estimated that about 20 public meetings would be necessary to get input.

IEC chief executive Don Gilispie requested the county process parallel the three-year license application review period for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

County hearing officer Fred Grant said the waiver was a wise move because it allows the county to take advantage of data obtained by the NRC before deciding whether to grant the permit.

Planning and zoning administrator Mary Huff said the county agreed to defer the application fee because a schedule for such a large-scale development has yet to be established.

The planning and zoning commission will take up such developmental fees during an Aug. 13 public hearing, Huff said.

Huff said the county won't lose money and will gain time by deferring the fee now.

"The code does currently allow us to recoup any expenses the county incurs," she said. "If we don't set a fee up-front then we'd have to start billing for all the time and materials, which could be extremely tedious."

— JPB

# City refuses to pay for dispatch

The stalemate between Homedale and Owyhee County on which should pay for the city's emergency dispatch services continued last week.

The county wants Homedale to pay for part of the county's subscription to the Idaho Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (ILETS), which comes out of the sheriff's budget. There also is a push to have Homedale share the cost of a radio repeater that carries Homedale Police Department communications.

Homedale refused to include an ILETs provision in its budget last year, and Mayor Paul Fink defended the city's stance in a meeting with the board of commissioners on July 16.

"I think it is the consensus of the council that we're not going to pay for the dispatching," he said.

Fink asserted that Garden City Mayor John Evans said his municipality doesn't pay dispatch fees to Ada County.

Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman polled sheriffs statewide and discovered that nearly all of those who responded charge the police departments in their counties for those fees.

Bonner County hasn't charged any of its three municipalities for three years.

The other county sheriffs who responded to Aman's poll reported

## Budget hearings near

Homedale City Council will hold its annual budget hearing at 6 p.m. next Wednesday at City Hall.

The total proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2008 is nearly \$900,000 leaner than last year's budget, primarily because of a reduction of the sewer budget with the inception of the bond-driven project this year.

The city council next meets at 6 p.m. Thursday.

The City of Grand View will hold its budget hearing at 7 p.m. Aug. 8. City Clerk Lani Race said that Grand View's city council didn't hold its July meeting because of a lack of a quorum.

Grand View's total budget, which includes city and street and road departments, is increasing less than \$2,000 over 2007 numbers.

charging anywhere from \$100,000 (Blaine County to Sun Valley) to \$18,000 (Payette County to Fruitland).

Fink is steadfast in his opinion

that county taxes already paid by Homedale residents should be enough to cover the cost.

"We're part of the county," Fink said. "We talked about the money that we pay the county as citizens of Owyhee County, and that was one of the big issues."

"We feel that we're part of the county, and if we don't have a police department, then they pick up all the law enforcement."

County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said that the county levy was \$888,773 for the entire county, and that money had to cover all county services and related expenses.

"The money paid from the citizens of the City of Homedale covered all county expenses, not just the sheriff's office," she said.

The county pays \$7,500 a year for ILETs and another \$2,200 for rent and maintenance on the South Squaw Butte repeater that handles Homedale transmissions.

Fink questioned how ILETs could be tied into dispatching in the first place. He said that the system tracks driver's licenses and vehicle license plates.

"Where does that come into dispatching?" he asked. "If (county officials) need to come up with \$30,000, then they need to raise driver's license and license plate fees."

— JPB



**Rimrock student donates quilts, stuffed animals to Grand View Ambulance**

Shaelynn Merrick, a Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School student, donated hand-made quilts and stuffed animals to the Grand View Ambulance Service on Saturday during Grand View Days.

Donna Bennett from Grand View Ambulance said the quilts will be used to cover patients during transport.

The stuffed animals are given to children to comfort them while they are being transported or while their parents are being treated by Grand View Ambulance personnel.

Attending the presentation were, front row, left to right: Pat Zaragoza, Shaelynn Merrick, Donna Bennett, Debbie Long and Dennis Shannon; second row, left to right: Dixie McDaniel, Ed Collett, Todd Ensz and Charles Ensz. Submitted photo

See pages 12 and 16 for more photos from Grand View Days

# Death notices

**JAMES A. HANCE**, 70, of Marsing, passed away on Saturday, July 21, 2007 at his home of natural causes. Pending arrangements are under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale.

**EULAH HAYS**, 91, of Homedale, died Sunday, July 22, 2007 at a Nampa care center. Funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 31, 2007 at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, Homedale. Viewing will be Monday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Interment will follow at Canyon Hill Cemetery, Caldwell.

# Senior menus

**Homedale Senior Center**

July 26: Beef burrito, rice, refried beans, drink.

July 31: French dip sandwich, baked potato, California blend veggies, drink.

**Marsing Senior Center**

July 26: Roast pork, peas & carrots, dressing, potatoes/gravy, salad, cranberry sauce, dessert, drink.

July 30: Breakfast to order.

July 31: Italian baked chicken & noodles, spinach & carrots, potato salad, soup, dessert, drink.



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# Historical society visits long-lost Owyhee towns

*by Mary O'Malley*

More than 60 Owyhee County Historical Society members and guests joined tour leader Julie Hyslop for a field trip from Jordan Valley to Ruby City on Saturday, July 7.

The first stop was at Trout Creek Station on the Skinner Toll Road, purchased by Silas Skinner in 1871. Silas's grandson, Bob Skinner, told of his father's story of watching General Howard's cavalymen bugling for their horses in the morning as they prepared to chase Buffalo Horn and his warriors in the Bannock War of 1878.

Wagontown was the next stop, where two men killed by Indians were buried in the "new cemetery" in 1866. The group toured this cemetery, where several of the group found ancestors' graves. Wagontown also was well known for its horse racetrack, which

ran straight down Jordan Creek, beside where the road is now. Julie told of gold strikes near Wagontown as well as picnics, dances and weddings.

DeLamar, the next stop, was a very lively city in its day (starting when the old DeLamar mine opened in 1889), with horse racing, a newspaper, at least one doctor, a barbershop, bathhouses, a tailor shop and a brickyard that could produce 3,000 bricks a day.

Some bricks from the schoolhouse were found. The more well-to-do lived in Upper DeLamar, while Lower DeLamar was also called "Toughtown." Julie calculated that in today's prices, about \$573 million in gold and silver were produced at DeLamar alone.

Bill Statham and John Larsen added details of geology and mining operations. Jim Hyslop



**OCHS members grab lunch with history**  
*Members of the Owyhee County Historical Society and their guests eat lunch with the bridge to the DeLamar mine in the background during a recent field trip. Submitted photo*

introduced a man who is currently placer mining at DeLamar. Some members of the group also visited the DeLamar cemetery, while others rested under the huge old cottonwoods along Jordan Creek.

Dewey was first settled as Boonville in the summer of 1863, after the first discovery of gold was made nearby on May 18, 1863.

Boonville was the first town in this mining region but had fallen into disrepair and it was renamed

Dewey by Colonel Dewey when he purchased it in the spring of 1896. It became a company town, and Dewey built a large and beautiful hotel as well as a large house for his family and a house for his foreman.

Julie pointed out the foundations of Dewey's house, which other than the remains of the mill, is all that marks the site of a once thriving town. Many stories were told of Dewey's mines, mills and buildings, including the Dewey Palace in

Nampa. As before, Statham and others added stories.

The last stop was Ruby City, which became the first county seat when Owyhee County was formed on Dec. 31, 1863.

But Ruby City's distinction as county seat did not last long. Silver City was founded in 1864 as it was closer to the most productive mines and land was thought to be too expensive in Ruby City. Soon most of the businesses moved to Silver City, including the Idaho Hotel, along with the county seat and post office. Now only the Ruby City and Knights of Pythias cemeteries are left where there once was a town of 300 to 400 people.

If you missed this trip and want to go explore on your own, copies of the detailed field trip guide are available for \$1 at the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy.

The next field trip will start off from the Idaho Hotel in Silver City at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 18, for a trip up War Eagle Mountain to the Mississippi mine. The excursion will be led by Don Barnhill.

Four-wheel-drive vehicles will be best, as well as sturdy shoes or boots.

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# Avalanche Sports

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2007

## Homedale 12U softball bows at rainy regional

Homedale's 12U Babe Ruth all-star softball team completed a successful season at the 2007 Babe Ruth Softball 12U Pacific Northwest Regional Tournament in Hoquiam, Wash., on July 19-22. The team went 2-2 in the tournament, which was held Thursday through Sunday.

Homedale closed out the season with a 22-2 record in Babe Ruth play and 22-5 overall. Tournament host Hoquiam won the championship. On Thursday, the sun shone on Homedale, as the team won its first two games,

defeating Ellensburg, Wash., 13-12 and Upper Kittitas County, Wash., 3-2. Gabby Nash and Stephanie Villarreal were hitting standouts for Homedale in the first game while Sierra Harum had a pair of hits for Ellensburg. Homedale, which had the rare appearance

in the regional by winning the state championship earlier this month in Boise, was hampered after a first-day injury to Nash, who was the team's front-line pitcher, reduced the experienced arms in

— See *Softball*, page 17



### Tournament provides thrills and spills

**Above:** Patty Villavicencio of Glens Ferry-based Juice it Up spins into home plate, upending Simplot's Jazz Zimmerman as umpire John Curley makes the call. Simplot pitcher Nick Pineda is backing up the play. **Below:** Grand View Little League president Sara Hall presents Mountain Home's Stockyard Team with the championship trophy. Photos by Dale Gray



## Grand View dynasty ends

### Stockyard becomes first champion not named Chandler since 2003

Team Chandler's three-year run as champion of its hometown tournament came to an end Saturday in Grand View. The Stockyard team from Mountain Home edged Simplot of Grand View, 8-6, in Saturday's championship game of the Grand View Softball Tournament. Stockyard culled players from

Mountain Home and Mountain Home Air Force Base. Team Chandler, led by longtime Rimrock High School softball coach Mike Chandler, finished third after losing to Simplot, 14-4, in the third-place contest. Proceeds benefited Grand View Little League. The umpires for the tourney

were John and Ashley Curley. Chrissy Morrison served as official scorekeeper, while Grand View Little League president Sara Hall, Little League secretary Mitzi Driskell and Tracy Fisher chipped in with help in numerous areas. Dale Gray served as groundskeeper. Other teams participating in the tournament included US Ecology from Grand View and Glens Ferry teams Juice it Up and Martinez Trucking.

## Group seeks flag football league in Homedale

### New Trojans coach plants seed for developmental program

Homedale is in the process of starting up a flag football league for players in first through fourth grades beginning in September. The league, which has not yet been named, will be affiliated with NFL FLAG Football. According to organizers, the proposed league will help build a larger developmental program for the town's high school football team. An unofficial committee of residents interested in starting a flag football league in Homedale has met twice to discuss the possibility. Brad Dines, a member of the committee, said that new Homedale High School football coach Rob Kassebaum was at the first meeting. Other committee members include Shane Brown, Burke Deal, Selena Elordi, Kelly Schamber and Robyn Tolmie. It was Kassebaum's idea to go with NFL FLAG Football. The coach told committee members that he had seen leagues affiliated

with NFL FLAG Football and was impressed. NFL FLAG Football furnishes jerseys, footballs and flags as part of participation in its program. According to Dines, there is more interest in youth flag football in the area than there is opportunity. "Caldwell has one (flag football league)," Dines said. "But (Homedale) teams are limited to one or two. We wanted to get as much participation as possible." While Marsing is already in a league as part of its Optimist program, Dines said, there has been "a lot of interest from Wilder, Parma, Notus and Melba." Preliminary estimates have 10-12 teams in each of two divisions. One division is for players in first and second grades, and the other is for players in third and fourth grades. Each team will have eight to 10 players, with the current

— See *Football*, page 17

## Panzeri goes after sixth title at silver Percifield

Panzeri Livestock will shoot for its own golden moment during the silver anniversary Percifield Memorial Softball Tournament, which begins Friday. Panzeri is the three-time defending A division champion, and shares the record for overall championships with Pour House. Both Percifield institutions have won five titles. If Panzeri extends its unprecedented supremacy to a fourth straight year, the team becomes the only six-time champion of the

tournament that started in 1983. Panzeri is already the first team to win three consecutive championships in one division. Twenty-eight teams, the maximum allowable, are set to compete in three divisions in the annual event, according to organizer Jeff Percifield. Games get under way at 5 p.m. on Friday, and the action continues at 8 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. All games are scheduled

— See *Percifield*, page 17



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# Fires rage in Owyhee County



## County sheriff mobilizes for evacuation

**Above:** Part of the genesis for the Murphy Fire Complex was the Rowland Fire. Photo by Mark Jarratt. **Below, left:** By Wednesday, Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies and posse members rushed to the scene as the growing fires forced evacuations at the Diamond A Ranch and Murphy Hot Springs area as well as Jarbidge in Nevada. Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman lifted the evacuation of Murphy Hot Springs late in the weekend. Trailer photo by Jim Bish. Camp photo by George Reed. **Below, right:** The lightning-caused fire had burned 100,000 acres within a little more than a day. Photo by Jan Aman



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# Spotlight on Grand View



### Grand View Days elicits creativity

Saturday's annual Grand View Days parade and festival brought some great ideas for floats. **Top:** The Y-Bar-sponsored pirate ship float featured Sue Gibb as Captain Hook. **Middle:** Opal Ward, second from left, caught a ride on the Red Hat Society's Lil Red Hens float. **Above:** The Meyers family show off "box seats" for the Grand View softball tournament. Photos by Dale Gray



### Grand View youth help refurbish hall

Chris Hipwell got a ton of help with his Eagle Scout Project to repaint the Grand View American Legion Post 134 hall earlier this month. **Top:** Helping with the roof were, left to right, Ellie Cantrell, Clay Cantrell, Cole Merrick and Porter Simper. **Middle:** Several workers scraped the old paint off the building, including, front to back, Clay Cantrell, Ellie Cantrell, Jackie Thurman, Anna Cantrell and Arnie Hipwell (on step stool). **Above:** Local farmer Scott Bennett applies the new coat of paint to the building on July 6. Submitted photos

## Scout helps repaint town's Legion Hall

Chris Hipwell, a member of Boy Scout Troop 73, put a new twist on patriotism during the Fourth of July weekend.

For his Eagle Scout project, Hipwell decided to coordinate a new paint job for the Grand View American Legion Post 134 hall.

With help from Grand View American Legion Adjutant Bob Swenson, Hipwell got assistance from several individuals and organizations from around Grand View for the July 5-6 project.

The project included pulling weeds and pressure-washing paint off the Legion Hall during the first day. On the second day, volunteers scraped paint off the

building before primer and new paint was applied.

Hipwell said he wanted to thank everyone involved, including Swenson, members of Snake River Livestock 4-H Club, the Rimrock FFA chapter, Robert Draper and Dick Crockett from Simplot, Boy Scout Troop 73, Bobby Lindquist from US Ecology, local farmers such as Scott Bennett and Joe and Verla Merrick, and Doug and Lisa Thurman from Idaho Power.

Hipwell said the next step is to meet with the scouts' Board of Review before he is awarded the rank of Eagle Scout in a ceremony, probably held later this year.







# Summer Celebrations Made SIMPLE

FAMILY FEATURES

With its warmer weather and longer days, summer is synonymous with outdoor gatherings — whether it’s a formal get-together or a weeknight barbecue with family. One way to cap off your al fresco dining experience is with a cool, refreshing dessert made with summer’s best bounty: fresh berries.

Lifestyle author and TV host Katie Brown suggests preparing no-bake berry desserts for your summer soirees.

“Summer berries are perfect for making delicious, approachable desserts,” Katie Brown says. “With just a few ingredients, you can make a refreshing no-bake dessert that your friends and family will love but won’t keep you in the kitchen.”

Here are three of Katie Brown’s “berry” favorite no-bake desserts. For additional recipes, visit [jello.com](http://jello.com) and [coolwhip.com](http://coolwhip.com).

## Holding an outdoor gathering this summer?

Here are some tips from Katie Brown:

- Establish a theme for your party that ties together your invitations, table decorations and menu. A few simple ideas can give your party an exciting look and give your guests a unique experience.
- When dining outdoors, cover your food with burlap covers to keep away the bugs.
- Nothing sets a softer mood than a candle’s flicker under the moonlight. Create a lighted pathway with lawn globes.
- For more tips, check out the new book, “Katie Brown’s Outdoor Entertaining.”

Katie Brown is a lifestyle expert and TV Host. *Jell-O* is a proud sponsor of the “Katie Brown Workshop” on Public Television.



### Easy Raspberry Sorbet

Prep: 25 minutes  
Total: 4 hours 25 minutes (including freezing time)  
*Makes 12 servings*

- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 package (4-serving size) *Jell-O* Raspberry Flavor Gelatin
- 6 ounces frozen lemonade concentrate (Do not thaw)
- 3 cups raspberries
- 1 8-ounce tub *Cool Whip* Whipped Topping, thawed
- 12 waffle cones

Stir boiling water into dry gelatin mix in large freezer-proof bowl at least 2 minutes until gelatin is completely dissolved. Stir in frozen lemonade concentrate. Refrigerate 15 minutes, or until slightly thickened (consistency of unbeaten egg whites). Mash raspberries with fork. Add to gelatin mixture along with whipped topping; stir with wire whisk until well blended. Cover. Freeze 4 hours or until solid. Remove from freezer 15 minutes before serving. Let stand at room temperature to soften slightly. Scoop into cones. Return any remaining raspberry mixture to freezer.

**Variation:** Serve scooped into dessert dishes instead of waffle cones.



### Berry Bliss Cake

Prep: 20 minutes  
Total: 4 hours 20 minutes (including refrigeration time)  
*Makes 8 servings*

- 3/4 cup cold milk
- 1 package (4-serving size) *Jell-O* Vanilla Flavor Instant Pudding & Pie Filling
- 1-1/2 cups thawed *Cool Whip* Whipped Topping, divided
- 1 10.75-ounce package frozen pound cake
- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 2 cups mixed raspberries and sliced strawberries
- 1/4 cup blackberries

Add milk to dry pudding mix in medium bowl. Beat with wire whisk 2 minutes or until well blended. Stir in 1 cup whipped topping. Cut cake horizontally into three layers; brush with juice. Place bottom layer on serving plate; top with 3/4 cup mixed berries, half of pudding mixture and middle cake layer. Repeat layers of mixed berries and pudding mixture; cover with top cake layer. Top with 1/2 cup whipped topping and remaining berries; cover loosely with foil. Refrigerate at least 4 hours or overnight. Store any leftovers in refrigerator.

### Very-Berry Dessert

Prep: 25 minutes  
Total: 4 hours 55 minutes (including refrigeration time)  
*Makes 20 servings*

- 1-1/2 cups *Honey Maid* Graham Cracker Crumbs
- 3/4 cup sugar, divided
- 6 tablespoons butter, melted
- 2 8-ounce packages *Philadelphia* Cream Cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup milk
- 2 cups thawed *Cool Whip* Whipped Topping, divided
- 2 cups boiling water
- 2 packages (4-serving size each) *Jell-O* Strawberry Flavor Gelatin
- 1-1/2 cups cold water
- 2-1/2 cups mixed berries (blueberries, raspberries and sliced strawberries), divided

Mix crumbs, 1/4 cup sugar and butter. Press onto bottom of 13- by 9-inch pan; set aside. Beat cream cheese, remaining sugar and milk in medium bowl with electric mixer until well blended. Add 1 cup whipped topping; mix well. Carefully spread over crust. Refrigerate. Meanwhile, stir boiling water into dry gelatin mixes in large bowl at least 2 minutes until completely dissolved. Stir in cold water. Refrigerate 30 minutes or until slightly thickened (consistency of unbeaten egg whites). Stir in 1-1/2 cups of the berries. Pour over cream cheese layer; cover. Refrigerate 3 hours or until firm. Top with remaining whipped topping and berries just before serving. Store any leftovers in refrigerator.

**Size-Wise:** Sweets can be part of a balanced diet, but remember to keep tabs on portions.

**Substitute:** Prepare as directed, using *Jell-O* Strawberry Flavor Sugar Free Low Calorie Gelatin.

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# Commentary

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## On the edge of common sense



### The Marlboro Man interview

Have you ever done a favor for a friend and your generosity backfires on you? You give him a horse. It bucks him off and breaks his leg. You give her an investment tip, say, Enron. She sinks her savings and the company goes bankrupt. You introduce her to your first ex-brother-in-law. They marry. Three years later, two years after the divorce, they are still in court and she's named her snarling Pomeranian after you!

I had a friend who was invited to an audition for the Marlboro Man. You talk about excited! Me, I mean. To have a compadré that had a shot at bein' the most recognized cowboy figure in the world.

I began counting the advantages. I could point to billboards and say, "I know him." If I was in the dentist waiting room next to a girl with teeth, I could open the cover on most any magazine and point him out chasing horses through a river, "That reminds me," I'd say out loud, "I better give him a call." She'd notice and swoon, "Oh, sure," I'd say, "We're pards. I could get you an autograph. Oh, let me show you a photo of us hangin' outside the Montana bar tryin' to pick up girls."

When my friend returned from the audition and photo shoot in Wichita Falls, he was optimistic, "Heck," he said, "I was the only one there who smoked! The other two was from Hollywood, wuddn't even wearin' Wrangler!"

I found the Marlboro ads producer and wrote him a reference letter. It pointed out how beneficial it would be for us, his friends, to be able to brag. We'd tell everyone we met! We'd get the girls, good seats at the rodeos, and probably never have to buy another drink!

I even suggested that due to the fact that the USA is tryin' to make smoking illegal, we needed to be lookin' for new places to sell tobacco, like Guam and Saudi Arabia. I even took a picture of him wearin' a white robe and scarf sitting on a camel, both of them with cigarettes in their lips, and sent it with the letter.

We never heard back. Over the line, I guess, and it backfired.

Last week an animal health salesman told me of an important client of his who had become temperamental, was using abusive language and trying to get the salesman to engage in some shady transactions. The company was located in France and run by a vertically challenged, egotistical, conceited Napoleon-Tom Thumb wannabe. "It's such an important account," fretted the salesman.

"I'll write him a note," I offered, "smooth things over, calm the rusty seas. Take your relationship to a more professional level."

"Gosh, I don't know if we should," the salesman worried, "are you sure it will work?"

"Of course," I said, getting out my pencil and paper, eager to help this hard-working salesman, "How do you say half-pint in French?"

Wayne Cornell

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

### Almost April in Paris



March 30. Our hotel is on the south side of Paris about 3 miles from the city center. Sara and I wander down the street to a drug store. Although the clerk speaks virtually no English and my best French phrase is "I do not speak French," I manage to buy some shaving cream — it's called "mousse" here.

At 6:30 p.m., the tour bus drops us on a narrow street on the Left Bank. We are led to a restaurant banquet room in a basement that is maybe 10 feet wide by 30 feet long. We are told the room has been here since about 1200 A.D. There are about 35 people in the space, plus the waitresses and two guys armed with an accordion and a guitar. The all-you-can-drink wine and beer seems to make the room larger.

I have the baked salmon for dinner, and it is delicious. Although I'm not a wine drinker, this French wine tastes OK. The entertainers know songs from just about every country in the world. We sing French songs, American songs, then Russian songs. When the musical duo breaks into a South African ballad, the tour members from that country go nuts. I discover every time I drink another glass of wine I can sing in another language.

The band plays on and we sing along at the top of our lungs. Soon Americans and South Africans and Russians and Canadians of all ages are dancing in the aisles even though there aren't any aisles. We finish off singing a Beatles medley. Finally, it's time to leave, which is probably a good thing as the accordion player and the guitar guy appear to be smashed.

The bus drops us just across the Seine River from the Eiffel Tower, which is illuminated by about 20,000 orange lights. We are in a little park, and an avenue runs from the Eiffel Tower across a bridge and splits to the right and left at our viewpoint.

At 10 p.m., bright white lights start flashing randomly all over the tower. It's like the Fourth of July without the explosions — absolutely breathtaking. The full moon is almost directly over the tower.

The other members of our family group move to a grassy area with a better view of the light display. I follow. In the darkness, I don't see a metal edge about 3 inches high that keeps the grass from growing out on the sidewalk. It jumps up and grabs the toe of my right shoe. Suddenly I am horizontal and falling. I stick out my right elbow to break my fall and keep my camera — which is in my right hand — from hitting the ground first. I think to myself, "This is gonna hurt," and I am correct. When my elbow hits, the shock goes up my arm and into my shoulder — then into my chest. Not knowing how to swear in French, I use every



*The lights of Paris seem to emanate entirely from the Eiffel Tower.*

English profanity I know and invent a couple of new ones. No one seems to notice.

I struggle to my feet, which is difficult with only one operating arm. There are gobs of mud and grass on my pants and jacket. People are yelling at me to come over and get in the picture someone is taking. I try to tell them that my shoulder feels like it is dislocated, I may have some broken ribs and I cannot take a deep breath. The love of my life says, "Oh, it's not that bad. Suck it up!" I recover enough to shoot some photos, although I have to hold my right arm tight against my body to make the pain endurable.

We get back to the hotel about 11:30 p.m. I take two packs of Alka-Seltzer, four Ibuprofen and lower myself into a hot bath, in a tiny tub, which is hard to do with only one operating arm.

Later, as I lay in bed, trying to ignore the headache and my throbbing shoulder and ribs, I think to myself, "This has got to be the greatest night of my life!"



*A late March night in Paris was the perfect occasion for an intimate multi-national festival.*



# Commentary

## Letters to the editor

### Large Juniper Mountain Fire shows nature's power

Today (July 14), I toured the Juniper Mountain Fire area and was impressed with the crews working there.

As hot as it is with low humidity and ever shifting winds, half a dozen blazes can be seen at a time. However, BLM, Forest Service and local people are working together in a common effort to prevent what could rapidly become a catastrophe.

To date, the burn area covers Crutcher Crossing on the Owyhee River to the south and north up Red Canyon to the top of Juniper Mountain on the west to the C Ranch and east the Star and Brace ranches.

Most of us agree that fire is a good management tool. After years of designing a fire plan satisfactory for all the various interests, one bolt of lightning proved again that nature is the ultimate designer.

Michael F. Hanley IV  
Jordan Valley

### West Nile Virus threat calls for eradication of mosquitoes

The West Nile Virus is rampant in our state. The only way to stop the spread of the disease is to get rid of the mosquitoes.

Spraying the breeding areas with DDT would wipe them out. The use of DDT was banned because using pesticide was supposed to cause the eggs of raptors to thin. Other tests showed the eggs were thin because the nests were checked every day and the disturbance to the birds caused them to lay thin-shelled eggs.

I don't know which study was right, but I know not wiping out the West Nile Virus is a clear and present danger to everyone in the state.

Maybe the spraying could be done under tight regulations, and at a time the spray would not drift.

We cannot continue to do nothing and have more deaths and illnesses when we have a way of keeping our families safe.

Peggy Tallman  
Marsing

## Letters to the editor policy

The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes letters to the editor.

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

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

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

The Owyhee Avalanche

## From Washington

### Endangered species reform continues

by Sen. Mike Crapo

A 67-year federal project came to a triumphant close in June. Our nation's majestic symbol, the bald eagle, was officially removed from the Endangered Species Act (ESA) list of threatened and endangered species. While ESA protection has only been in place since 1973, the bald eagle has been federally protected since 1940. Today, the bald eagle has been restored to more than 9,700 breeding pairs. This historic event happens at a time when Idaho is dealing with protection and proposed delisting of other species under the ESA, including gray wolves and grizzly bears. It's an opportune time to discuss what delisting means and proposed improvements to the ESA that I am working on.

Delisting is the removal of a species from the Federal Lists of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants. Downlisting is the reclassification of a species from Endangered to Threatened. Both delisting and downlisting result from successful recovery efforts; delisting can also result from new evidence of additional populations. For delisting, the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) determines that the species isn't threatened based on a variety of factors, including population size, stability of habitat quality and quantity, and control or elimination of threats. If some threats have been eliminated and the species has met certain recovery goals, the FWS may downlist a species.

The decision and process to delist a species is complex, resembling steps required to list a species. Multiple assessments of population, existing threats, future threats and other regulatory protections include input from stakeholders at the local, state and federal level. Following successful delisting, a species is monitored for at least five years. Delisting does not mean there are no longer protections for that species. Other state and federal laws also provide protection such as the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

The ESA, as written, has had some successes like the bald eagle, but we can do better. ESA processes, like other

regulatory procedures, must be reviewed periodically for effectiveness and applicability to changed physical and regulatory realities. Accordingly, I've been working on legislation to update the ESA to better serve species. This spring, Sen. Blanche Lincoln (D-Ark.) and I introduced the Endangered Species Recovery Act (ESRA), which codifies much-needed tax incentives to make it simpler for private landowners to get involved in recovery efforts.

More than 80 percent of endangered species live on private property. ESRA, like the voluntary Farm Bill conservation programs that inspired its creation, makes it more attractive for private landowners to contribute to species recovery. ESRA tax incentives encourage species recovery by reimbursing landowners for property rights affected by agreements, including conservation easements and costs incurred by species management plans. When people want to participate, the likelihood of conflict and litigation is reduced. This new model facilitates more solutions and better recovery results.

In April, five members of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee wrote to Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne, asking, among other things, for him to consider the ESRA as an example of a constructive solution to current ESA challenges. I was also encouraged to hear that the Senate Finance Committee may consider ESRA prior to the August state work period.

The ESRA provides collaborative, creative ways to balance resource conservation with economic uses of natural resources and preserves rural living. I look forward to working with my Senate and House colleagues to move ahead with this legislation, which provides a new model for better conservation work. It's a good omen that our nation's symbol is no longer endangered or threatened. It's time to apply lessons learned in species recovery efforts to expand species recovery in the future.

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



Sen. Mike Crapo

## Idaho agriculture

### Study: Corn has little effect on high food prices

by Frank Priestley

A recently released study by American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) economists shows increased demand for corn driven by ethanol production has little to do with a recent rise in food prices.

The study shows that nearly all the evidence points to factors other than ethanol demand, including crop failures, low world supplies of wheat, milk production cutbacks and the rising cost of energy.

The AFBF quarterly marketbasket survey shows prices for 16 basic grocery items, including chicken, bread, apples, eggs, cheese, flour, vegetable oil, mayonnaise, oat cereal, corn oil, milk and others, increased 4 percent during the first quarter of this year. Although American consumers spend less disposable income on food than consumers in any other country (10.4 percent in 2006), rising food costs are putting strain on families.

Data uncovered by AFBF shows corn is usually a tiny fraction of a product's price. For instance, the value of the corn that goes into a box of corn flakes is estimated at 2.2 cents. Even if the cost of corn doubled from today's price, it's difficult to understand how it relates to an increase of 10 to 20 times that much in the price of

a box of cereal.

Food and beverage prices rose about 4 percent in May, compared to last year at the same time, according to the U.S. Labor Department's Consumer Price Index (CPI). At the same time, ethanol production, mostly from grain corn, has more than doubled since 2002. Tax incentives and a federal renewable fuel standard continue to increase ethanol production. As a result, the price of a bushel of corn has nearly doubled to \$4 since 2005. But blaming ethanol production for the increase in food prices is not looking at the full picture. The price of corn is going up because of ethanol, but food prices are not going up because of corn.

Rising energy prices are the biggest culprit in relation to the increasing cost of food, according to the AFBF economic data. The negative attention in this "food versus fuel" debate is unfortunate for ethanol. The growing use of renewable fuels is a good thing for our country. Ethanol and biodiesel production reduces our dependency on foreign oil, creates jobs, is better for the environment and helps support our rural economy.

— Frank Priestley is president of the Idaho Farm Bureau.



Frank Priestley



# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

July 21, 1982

**Administrative, teacher salaries categorized**

Twenty-four years in administration and the responsibility of being superintendent of the school district for 20 years is only worth \$18.67 a month more than being a first-year junior-senior high school principal.

And a 14-year elementary principal is only worth \$214.70 a month more than a first year junior-senior high assistant principal.

So reflects the pay schedule set up by the Homedale School District board of trustees.

During the regular monthly meeting of the board July 12, the trustees hired Nolan Taggart as junior-senior high school principal at a 10-month contract of \$32,000, and hired Larry Goto as Taggart’s assistant for the same 10-month period for \$27,000.

Taggart was previously junior high principal and Goto was part-time elementary physical education teacher and part-time counselor.

The superintendent of the district, Deward Bell, earns \$38,624 annually, but his job is for a 12-month period, rather than 10 months, as is the case for other administrators. And by dividing the annual salaries by the number of months required to work, Bell earns only \$18.67 per month more than Taggart. Bell was high school principal from 1958 until 1962, when he became superintendent — position he had held since.

Taggart has been junior high principal for six years.

**Taxpayers elect Clark as president**

Three directors were elected to serve a three-year term on the board of the Silver City Taxpayers Association last Saturday.

The elections were held during the group’s annual meeting in Silver City Masonic hall.

Elected were Carol Leonard, Carl Liabel, and Harold Curt.

Dave Clark was elected by the board to serve as president. Clark takes over the position from Paul Nettleton, who has led the organization for three years.

Prior to the elections, Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Clayton Andersen spoke briefly concerning the zoning ordinance of Silver City. Andersen recommended the group address problems of vagueness and contradictions within the ordinance.

Nettleton appointed a committee of eight to study the present ordinance and recommend changes. The committee consists of Marty Peterson, Bob Leonard, Dave Clark, Joe Aman, Clarence Orton, Harold Curt, Jan Beckwith, and Gaylord Carr.

**Owyhee River plan is being written**

Due to its distance and inaccessibility relatively few visitors have explored the Owyhee River — that is up until now, according to the Vale District, Bureau of Land Management.

Rafting use on the Owyhee has tripled since 1976, an increase which has strained the capacity of the river to provide a high quality recreation experience. Crowding is most apparent on weekends and the Memorial holiday when some rafters complained of having to wait in line to run certain rapids. The amount of BLM crews have had to spend cleaning up garbage and campfire debris also increased considerably.

In response to this trend of increased use of the Owyhee, the Vale, Boise and Elko Districts are preparing a management plan to help preserve the river’s natural and recreational values. The plan will address the river’s social and physical carrying capacities, access points, and possible camping rules, such as the use of fire pans. Although it may establish a maximum use level, the plan will not allocate use between commercial and private boaters. The allocation issue will be the subject of the national BLM policy expected out in early 1983.

## 50 years ago

July 25, 1957

**Start spud season**

Only a few carloads of potatoes have been shipped from the local packing shed and some sheds have not yet started.

A few red potatoes were shipped out last week and the light shipping of white rose began Tuesday.

The price this year seems to be quite low according to managers of local sheds and a firm price will not be established until heavy shipping begins.

The quality of the potatoes is reported to be below average.

**Softball teams hold playoffs for first place**

Two teams, the Catholics and a team sponsored by the Owyhee Motors and Paul’s Groceteria, which had tied for first place in the first half of the softball league season, held their playoff game Tuesday night with Owyhee Motors-Paul’s Groceteria coming out on top 15-4.

Pitching for the Catholics were Paul Fisher and Jim Miklancic, with Johnny Kushlan catcher.

The second half of the season began last week and will continue through August.

**Fair board holds meeting; annual celebration nears**

The Owyhee county fair board met at the fairground Wednesday night and discussed improving the fairgrounds for the fair which is August 22-24.

The improvements of the ground will include building a grandstand shade and painting one of the barns.

Assistant county agent Ed Mink, fair board secretary, announced today that plans are shaping up for the three day fair which will include the judging of all exhibits during the first two days and evening entertainment on Thursday and Friday nights.

The third day of the fair will include a parade, a barbecue and old timers day, awarding of prizes, a fat stock sale, and a calf scramble.

Mac Parkins and Felisa Echevarria are in charge of the parade and Mr. Parkins is also in charge of the evening entertainment.

**Club organized to promote private plane activity**

Ray Mansisidor was elected president of the Homedale Flying club which was organized Tuesday night at a meeting held at the NH3 office.

Franklyn Garrett was elected vice-president; John Cook, Jr., secretary-treasurer; Gene Frank, Caldwell, and Jim Crumett, directors.

Mayor Joe Eiguren discussed the city’s efforts to obtain an airport, and the club decided to push efforts to secure a flight strip. The club hopes to get an agreement with the Amalgamated Sugar company so that a strip can be built paralleling the Snake River on property owned by the sugar company and an adjoining acreage owned by the city.

If an airstrip can be secured, the club will buy a small trainer plane for giving flying lessons. Several privately owned planes would probably be based here if a suitable airstrip is built.

Chet Moulton, state aeronautics director, has repeatedly offered his service to Homedale in securing an airport, and Owyhee County at one time advanced money to the city to buy land for an airport.

Additional money could probably be secured from the county to improve flight facilities if proper arrangements for an airport could be made. The county made a one mil levy last year for its airport fund and has obtained landing strip facilities in various strategic places throughout Owyhee County.

**Homedale locals**

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce and daughters were dinner guests at the Lee Stutheit home Sunday. The Stutheits’ two grandchildren Dwane and Darlee Benoit, Veneta, Ore., are spending three weeks with them. Darlee returned with the Pierce family Sunday to spend a couple of days.

## 140 years ago

July 20, 1867

RICH TREAT. On Friday evening, the 12<sup>th</sup>, just as we finished work and needed refreshments, M. L. Smith, of the Cosmopolitan Restaurant, presented the office with a pitcher of delicious ice cream and a large cake of the richest quality, finely inscribed in letters of white sugar “EDS. AVALANCHE.” If anybody knows how to get up the best of eatables, that person is Smith of the Cosmopolitan. His regular board is not surpassed by any grub shop in the mountains. Many thanks for the treat aforesaid.

WAR EAGLE. We made a hurried perambulation over this elevation last Thursday. Passed by the Rainbow ledge, east of Webfoot Gulch, and found Mr. Waldref busily engaged in clearing the shaft of water. It is a vein of five or six feet which we’re informed assays very shatteringly. Mr. W. will have it open for inspection down forty feet in a few days.

Passing on up, we next reached the Poorman Extension Works. The lower shaft is temporarily stopped on account of water, but the upper shaft and tunnel are going into the mountain as fast as night and day work can drive them. It is the determination of the Company — we understand — to make a thorough and deep examination of their claim. The present indications are not considered discouraging.

The Poorman ore exhibits much of the pure stuff sought for by millions. Free gold and silver are laying round loose. It is all right.

From the Poorman we made a cruise round the Woodstock and Silver Cord to the ridge south of Wade’s Gulch, to the Baxter and vicinity. The Baxter is the only ledge there upon which work enough has been down to show anything definite. This is unquestionably a true vein, and at the present depth of nearly fifty feet is two feet wide and of fine appearance. To what extent it bears the pure silver we can’t say, but such metal is found frequently therein. It is easily mined — no blasting being required. The shaft is timbered securely and the work done in a permanent character.

Prospecting is being prosecuted quite extensively in that vicinity. The actions of some of the parties imply a valuable discovery. Farther than this deponent knoweth not.

COUNTY ELECTION. The County Clerk has given public notice that a general election will be held in Owyhee County on the second Monday in August for the purpose of electing a Recorder, Assessor, Treasurer. Surveyor, Superintendent of Public schools, Coroner, two County Commissioners and one Justice of the Peace for Ruby Precinct.

So far as the first four officers named are concerned, we know that rightfully they will hold their offices until January, 1869. Possibly a strict and stained authoritative interpretation of the law may rob them of their rights. If the law is meant to maintain the rights of man, and is construed as intended to operate, the officers referred to will be given their full term for which they were elected.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS. The work needed to be performed on Washington Street in front of the Miners’ Hotel has been commenced and quite well advanced. A want of public labor and funds to bestow upon that place may prevent a proper amount of improvement. What is done adds materially to its width and looks.

CATTLE STOLEN. Cattlelow & McMahon have had twenty-three head of large fat cattle driven off by Indians during the past week. A party went on a hunt for several days but returned with no scalps and but few of the stolen bovines. They now are making a strong exertion to get up an expedition of twenty men to go after the Indians and stock, and desire any parties willing to aid or join in the enterprise to report soon. Cattlelow & McMahon will fit out ten men for the chase and hope to have the public generally do something. Next Tuesday is set for starting the expedition. The move deserves public assistance.



Public notices

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES JULY 9, 2007 OWYHEE COUNTY ANNEX MURPHY, IDAHO

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

The Board amended the agenda to include: Order for Planning & Zoning, Alternative Energy, Indigent and Charity, and a catering permit.

The Board adopted Resolution 07-11 Compensation Plan for Salaries and Performance Management for Owyhee County Employees.

Pursuant to I.C. 67-2343 the Board called for an executive session on personnel.

The Board upheld the Planning and Zoning Decision on the Hudson Appeal.

The Board took the following action on Indigent and Charity:

07-19 the applicant withdrew the application for assistance.

07-20 the applicant withdrew the application for assistance.

06-20 the Board approved the assignment to Catastrophic.

06-36 the Board approved the assignment to Catastrophic.

The Board approved a catering permit for the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo requested by the American Legion.

The Board approved the application to Idaho Dept of Agriculture for a \$10,000 grant for weed control.

The Board adopted Resolution 07-12 Destruction of Sheriff’s Department records.

The Board convened as Board of Equalization to hear appeals, and ruled on those already heard. The Board upheld the Assessor’s value on Appeal No’s. 07-12 through 07-52. Appeal No. 07-32 will be reviewed on July 23rd.

The Board approved an Order on a CUP on a proposed expansion of a CAFO.

The Board sent a letter to Alternative Energy setting a time for them to meet with the Board on July 18th at 10:30 a.m.

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

/s/Richard Freund, Chairman Attest: /s/Charlotte Sherburn 7/25/07

PUBLIC NOTICE BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

On August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 10:00 AM in courtroom one in the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho, the Board of County Commissioners will hold a hearing for the purpose of hearing public comments regarding proposed fee increases and new fees, pursuant to Idaho Code 63-1311A. The increase in fees is to cover the actual costs of services provided. Fees to be considered by the Board are for the Planning & Zoning Department. 7/25:8/1/07

ELECTION CANCELLED

The Homedale Highway District election scheduled for August 7, 2007 has been cancelled.

Pursuant to Idaho Code, this determination was made following the deadline for the Declaration of Intent to be a write-in.

Mark D. Stimmel and Larry Prow will remain in office for the next four years.

Terri Uria

07/16/2007

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TREASURER

OWYHEE COUNTY

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TREASURER/AUDITOR JOINT QUARTERLY REPORT

FROM 04/01/2007 TO 06/30/2007

THIRD QUARTER

\*\*\* FUNDS WITH NO ACTIVITY WILL NOT APPEAR ON REPORT \*\*\*

Fund	----- TREASURER'S CASH -----					Available Cash Balance
	Beginning Balance	Receipts and Transfers	Disbursements and Transfers	Ending Balance	Outstanding Warrants	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS						
0001 CURRENT EXPENSE	1,148,515.21	1,288,862.30	909,196.58	1,528,178.92	42,254.21	1,486,924.71
0002 ROAD AND BRIDGE	735,675.84	273,569.00	273,352.58	735,892.26	7,966.62	727,925.64
0003 AIRPORT	66,724.02	46.20	1,713.40	65,056.82		65,056.82
0005 BOND REDEMPTION	66,064.40	1,060.57		67,125.27		67,125.27
0006 DISTRICT COURT	172,959.44	18,352.97	21,783.90	169,528.51	5,663.28	163,865.23
0007 FAIR, COUNTY	27,100.87	5,794.63	6,623.00	26,272.50		26,272.50
0008 FAIR, GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS	35,900.99	9,288.80	9,292.56	35,797.13		35,797.13
0010 PROBATION	23,121.54	35,875.98	52,410.32	6,587.21	3,762.06	2,825.15
0011 HEALTH DISTRICT	18,774.90	3,799.06	12,429.00	7,145.91		7,145.91
0012 HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM	22,262.96	7,915.47	15,086.35	15,096.10	1,006.95	14,089.15
0018 INDIGENT AND CHARITY	181,827.62	37,269.68	79,794.08	139,293.22	4,807.99	134,485.23
0017 JUNIOR COLLEGE TUITION	91,393.83	9,830.00	150.00	101,073.83		101,073.83
0019 PEST	8,815.92	1,186.88	3,383.00	6,634.80		6,634.80
0020 REVALUATION	68,153.15	18,121.87	41,548.36	45,726.76	1,823.36	43,903.37
0023 SOLID WASTE	216,422.89	21,251.80	77,401.18	170,273.51	1,226.48	169,047.03
0024 TORT	4,321.23	10,461.13	10,673.25	4,109.11		4,109.11
0025 VETERANS MEMORIAL	1,015.04	88.06		1,103.10		1,103.10
0026 WARRANT REDEMPTION	43,247.06			43,247.06		43,247.06
0027 WEEDS	33,741.81	34,296.23	32,833.03	35,205.01	1,272.01	33,933.01
0028 911	183,003.05		9,455.35	173,547.67		173,547.67
0029 2005-2006 FLOOD DISASTER		29,342.96	29,342.96			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS TOTALS	3,147,644.84	1,813,418.92	1,582,547.94	3,377,916.72	68,802.94	3,309,113.78
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AGENCY FUNDS	8,312.73	448,489.10	436,913.34	14,889.49	14,732.89	126.60
TRUST FUNDS	2,265,364.78	473,239.62	478,507.15	2,257,037.25	7,888.14	2,249,149.11
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	5,412,662.35	2,733,117.64	2,498,967.52	5,649,812.46	92,402.98	5,557,409.47

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND  
HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON THE

16th day of July 2007  
Brenda Richards Charlotte Sherburn  
BRENDA RICHARDS CHARLOTTE SHERBURN  
TREASURER, OWYHEE COUNTY AUDITOR, OWYHEE COUNTY

CITY OF HOMEDALE

Quarterly Expenditure Report 3rd FISCAL QUARTER, FY2007 Oct. 2006 to June, 2007

FUND	PERSONNEL	Overhead / Maintenance	CAP IMP	QTR TOTAL	Fiscal Year to Date Total	BUDGET AMOUNT	PERCENT of BUDGET USED
01 General	\$ 19,533.01	\$ 34,998.15	\$ -	\$ 54,531.16	\$ 146,934.41	\$ 529,947.00	27.7%
02 Streets & Hwys	\$ 7,768.85	\$9,123.27	\$ -	\$ 9,123.27	\$ 55,977.07	\$ 144,581.00	38.7%
03 Parks	\$ 9,943.98	\$ 26,063.87	\$ -	\$ 36,007.85	\$ 55,087.16	\$ 94,949.00	58.0%
04 Library	\$ 6,706.20	\$ 2,790.27	\$ 1,353.30	\$ 10,849.77	\$ 32,722.75	\$ 61,696.00	53.0%
06 Law Enforcement	\$ 48,201.27	\$27,949.99	\$ -	\$ 76,151.26	\$ 178,720.96	\$ 296,425.00	60.3%
30 Airport	\$ -	\$ 291.95	\$ -	\$ 291.95	\$ 1,268.80	\$ 65,980.00	1.9%
60 Irrigation	\$ 7,868.24	\$ 14,815.23	\$ -	\$ 22,683.47	\$ 65,045.16	\$ 107,700.00	60.4%
25 Water	\$ 16,726.10	\$ 43,703.29	\$134,527.65	\$ 194,957.04	\$ 289,919.06	\$ 2,610,390.00	11.1%
26 Sewer	\$ 12,114.14	\$ 7,854.01	\$ 12,951.49	\$ 32,919.64	\$ 111,577.24	\$ 1,464,055.00	7.6%
27 Sanitation	\$ -	\$ 18,820.54	\$ -	\$ 18,820.54	\$ 50,725.47	\$ 76,100.00	66.7%
TOTAL (all funds)	\$ 128,861.79	\$ 186,410.57	\$148,832.44	\$ 456,335.95	\$ 987,978.08	\$ 5,451,823.00	18.1%

The General Public is invited to inspect all supporting documents for the above Financial Statement at City Hall during regular business hours.

Publish: July 25, 2007

Signed: ALICE E. PEGRAM City Clerk~Treasurer

Secretary/Treasurer 7/25/07

NOTICE OF MEETING CHANGE

The regular meeting of the Homedale Highway District scheduled for Wednesday, August 1, 2007 at 8pm has been changed to Tuesday evening at 8pm on August 7, 2007 at the Homedale Highway District office located at 102 East Colorado Avenue in Homedale.

Terri Uria Secretary/Treasurer 7/25/07

NOTICE

Pioneer Mini Storage, LLC will sell to the highest bidder on Aug. 6, 2007, the stored household belongings of the delinquent account listed below. Bids will be accepted at 4155 Pioneer Road, Homedale, ID at 11:30am.

Minimum Bid is \$414.00. Goods to be sold in accordance with Idaho Code.

Anthony Firkins, 1514 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. #102, Casper, Wy. 83601 Unit # B-11.

Goods to be sold may be cancelled without notice prior to auction.

Thank you, Glenda Johnson 7/25:8/1/07

INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICTS COMMISSIONERS invites bids for the following:

Sealcoating thirteen (13) miles at 21 feet wide in GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICT. The DISTRICT will furnish sealcoating chips in stockpile. Bid should state cost per mile. Work to be completed by August 31, 2007.

Individual envelopes must be

sealed and plainly marked on the outside showing the name of the bidder, date and time of the bid opening and the word SEALCOATING.

Bids will be received until 8:15 PM August 7, 2007 in the office of the Gem Highway District at 1016 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho. Bids will be opened and read aloud at that time.

The right is reserved to reject all proposals or to accept the proposal or proposals deemed best for the Gem Highway district and to waive any technicality.

If further information is needed, call RICK MEADE, Road Superintendent, Work Telephone 208-896-4581, Home Telephone 208-896-5122.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.

Virginia Belknap, Secretary 7/18,25/07

ELECTION CANCELLED

The Gem Highway District Election scheduled for August 7, 2007 has been cancelled.

Pursuant to Section 34-1407, Idaho Code, this determination was made following the deadline for Declaration of Intent to be a write-in.

Leonard J. Hall will remain in office for the next four year term.

Virginia Belknap Secretary 7/25/07

Buy it, sell it, trade it, rent it... in the

Classifieds!



# Public notices

NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Idaho Code 31-106, that an election shall be held on Tuesday, August 7, 2007, from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of establishing the Melba Cottage Public Library District.

**Polling place for said election will be as follows:** Owyhee County Museum, 17085 Basey Street, Murphy Idaho 83650

Electors will be asked to indicate their choice by a cross (X) IN FAVOR OF Establishment of

Melba Cottage Public Library District.....I AGAINST Establishment of

Melba Cottage Public Library District.....I

Boundaries of the Melba Cottage Library District:  
Beginning at a point where the section line common Sec. 6&7, T 3S, R 1E, B.M. intersects the Snake River, thence west 2 miles, more or less to the southwest corner of Sec. 1, T 3S, R 1W; thence south 3 miles to the SE corner of Sec. 23, T 3S R 1W, thence south 3 miles to SE corner of Sec. 23, T 3S R 1W thence west 3 miles; south 1mile; west 1 mile; south 1 mile; west 1 mile; south 1 mile; west 1 mile; south 1 mile to the southeast corner of Sec. 11, T 4S, R2, B.M; thence west 4 miles to the SE corner of Sec.7, T 4S, R 2W; thence south to the SE corner of Sec. 31, T 4S, 2W; thence west 1 mile; thence south along the range line to the SE corner of Sec. 36, T 5S, R 3W; thence west to the SW corner of Sec. 35, T 5S, R 4W; thence north to the SE corner of Sec. 34, T 5S, R 4W; thence west 4 miles to the SW corner of Sec. 31, T 3S, R 4W; thence north along the range line to NW corner of Sec. 6, T 2S, R 4W; thence east 6 miles to NE corner of Sec. 1, T 2S, R 4W; thence north 6 miles to NW corner of Sec. 6, T 1S, R 3W; thence east 6 miles, more of less, to the main channel of Snake River in a northwesterly direction to a point where the section line common to Sec. 9 & 16, T 1N, R 3W intersects Snake River; thence east 7 ¼ miles more of less to SE corner of Sec. 9, T 1N, R 2W; thence north 1 ½ miles; thence south ¼ mile; east ¼ mile; south ¼ mile; east 1 mile to NE corner of Sec. 12, T 1N, R 2W; thence south ½ mile; thence east 6 miles to Boise Meridian; thence south 10 ½ miles to SE corner of Sec. 36, T 1S, R 1W; thence west to Snake River; thence following the main channel of Snake River in a southeasterly direction to the point of beginning. Excluding the areas already within existing library districts.

No person shall be entitled to vote unless he/she shall possess all the qualifications required of electors under the general laws of the State, and unless he/she has been a **resident** within the boundaries of the district to be formed for **thirty** (30) days.

Dated this 20th day of July, 2007  
Charlotte Sherburn  
Owyhee County Clerk  
7/25;8/1/07

BUDGET EASTERN OWYHEE COUNTY LIBRARY OCT. 1, 2007 – SEP. 30, 2008		
REVENUES	2006-2007	2007-2008
Property Taxes	\$26,090.93	\$27,477.00
New Construction	100.00	100.00
Sales Tax	9,000.00	9,000.00
Equip. Replacement	2,616.00	2,616.00
Memorials & Gifts	100.00	800.00
Miscellaneous	100.00	200.00
TOTAL	\$38,006.93	\$40,193.00
EXPENDITURES		
Salaries	\$14,600.00	\$15,400.00
Books	7,500.00	7,600.00
Supplies	1,100.00	1,200.00
Technology	880.00	1,400.00
Contingency	826.93	893.00
Election & Expenses	400.00	400.00
Equipment	800.00	1,000.00
Fixed Charges	2,600.00	3,000.00
Insurance	1,800.00	1,800.00
Legal Service	200.00	200.00
Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00
Operation of Plant	4,900.00	4,900.00
Travel & Training	400.00	400.00
TOTAL	\$38,006.93	\$40,193.00
Kathy L. Chick, Clerk of the Board 7/25;8/1/07		

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Notice of Trustee’s Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: June 27, 2007 File No.: 7777.23752 Sale date and time (local time): October 29, 2007 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 104 1st Avenue West Marsing, ID 83639 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: Edward L. Freeman and Jane E. Freeman, husband and wife Original trustee: Alliance Title Original beneficiary: Home123 Corporation Recording date: March 1, 2006 Recorder’s instrument number: 255405 County: Owyhee Sum owing

on the obligation: as of June 27, 2007: \$129,201.48 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: Lot 7 through 12, inclusive, in Block 11 of the revised Townsite

Notice of Public Hearing FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (FY2008) CITY OF HOMEDALE			
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing pursuant to Idaho Code 55-1002 will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008 (FY2008). A proposed budget hearing will be held at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming at 6:00pm on August 1, 2007. Copies of the proposed city budget with details are available for review at Homedale City Hall during normal business hours. All interested persons are invited to appear.			
	FY 2006 2005-2006 ACTUAL	FY 2007 2006-2007 ACTUAL	FY 2008 2007-2008 PROPOSED Expenditures
<b>Funds</b>			
01 General	\$472,217.00	\$529,947.00	\$547,546.00
02 Streets & Highways	\$131,972.00	\$144,581.00	\$162,171.00
03 Parks	\$78,515.00	\$94,949.00	\$86,765.00
04 Library	\$50,082.00	\$61,696.00	\$66,390.00
06 Law Enforcement	\$0.00	\$296,425.00	\$313,513.00
25 Water	\$267,245.00	\$2,610,390.00	\$2,301,985.00
26 Sewer	\$383,200.00	\$1,464,055.00	\$823,300.00
27 Sanitation	\$76,100.00	\$76,100.00	\$87,000.00
30 Airport	\$5,850.00	\$65,980.00	\$5,115.00
60 Irrigation	\$86,880.00	\$107,700.00	\$109,640.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES (all funds)</b>	<b>\$1,552,061.00</b>	<b>\$5,451,823.00</b>	<b>\$4,503,425.00</b>
<b>Property Tax Levy</b>			
			Revenue
General Fund	\$209,000.00	\$215,270.00	\$252,300.00
Library	\$19,972.00	\$20,571.00	\$21,200.00
Park & Rec	\$11,983.00	\$12,345.00	\$14,500.00
<b>Total Property Tax:</b>	<b>\$240,955.00</b>	<b>\$248,186.00</b>	<b>\$288,000.00</b>
<b>Revenue Other Sources</b>			
01 General	\$263,217.00	\$314,677.00	\$295,246.00
02 Streets & Highways	\$131,972.00	\$144,581.00	\$162,171.00
03 Parks	\$66,532.00	\$82,604.00	\$72,265.00
04 Library	\$30,110.00	\$41,125.00	\$45,190.00
06 Law Enforcement	\$0.00	\$296,425.00	\$313,513.00
25 Water	\$267,245.00	\$2,610,390.00	\$2,301,985.00
26 Sewer	\$383,200.00	\$1,464,055.00	\$823,300.00
27 Sanitation	\$76,100.00	\$76,100.00	\$87,000.00
30 Airport	\$5,850.00	\$65,980.00	\$5,115.00
60 Irrigation	\$86,880.00	\$107,700.00	\$109,640.00
<b>Total Other Sources</b>	<b>\$1,311,106.00</b>	<b>\$5,203,637.00</b>	<b>\$4,215,425.00</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE (all funds)</b>	<b>\$1,552,061.00</b>	<b>\$5,451,823.00</b>	<b>\$4,503,425.00</b>
Homedale City Clerk-Treasurer Publish 7/18,25/07			

CITY OF MARSING QUARTERLY EXPENDITURE REPORT 3 <sup>RD</sup> FISCAL QUARTER, FY2007						
Fund	Personnel	O&M	Cap.Imp.	Law Enforcement	Total	Budget%
General	\$22,872	\$28,214	\$61,061	\$54,000	\$166,147	58.8%
Streets	21,856	79,075	12,553	-0-	113,484	42.6%
Parks	7,206	5,168	6,324	-0-	18,698	91.7%
P&Z	1,136	5,338	5,269	-0-	11,743	41.1%
Total	53,070	117,795	85,207	54,000	310,072	69%
Water	80,001	47,660	97,453	-0-	225,114	6.1%
Irrigation	1,981	5,763	14,450	-0-	22,194	54.2%
Sanitation	-0-	50,277	-0-	-0-	50,277	77.4%
Sewer	60,184	81,032	9,069	-0-	150,285	35.9%
Total	142,166	184,732	120,972	-0-	447,870	10.%
Total All Funds	\$195,236	\$302,527	\$206,179	\$54,000	\$757,942	16.%
Citizens are invited to inspect the detailed, supporting records of the above Financial Statement at Marsing City Hall during regular office hours. Janice C. Bicandi City Clerk/Treasurer 7/25;8/1/07						

of Butte, now the City of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, on file and of record in the office of the recorder, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho. 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. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7777.23752) 1002.73182-FEI  
7/11,18,25;8/1/07

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Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On Friday, October 26, 2007 at the hour of 11:00 o’clock A.M., of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID,

Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check, certified check or tellers check, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit:

A tract of land situated in the North Half of Section 22, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 22, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence

South 00°18’37” West a distance of 267.37 feet, more or less, to a point on the Northeast right of way of Idaho Highway 78; thence

South 73°32’00” East along said right of way a distance of 482.39 feet to a POINT OF CURVE at Station 522+96.10; thence following said right of way along a curve right having a radius of 2342.53 feet, a distance of 922.40 feet to a 5/8 inch steel pin from which the Northwest corner of Section 22 bears

North 72°00’08” West a distance of 2725.17 feet, and the North Quarter corner of said Section 22 bears □North 03°18’28” East a distance of 820.89 feet; thence continuing along the curve right of the Northern right of way of said Highway 78 a distance of 35.10 feet to a POINT OF TANGENT at Station 562+32.80; thence

South 50°07’00” East along said right of way a distance of 96.44 feet to a 5/8 inch steel pin which is the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

North 36°06’43” East a distance of 150.91 feet, more or less, to a point on the Southern right of way of the Grandview Irrigation District Canal marked with a 5/8 inch steel pin; thence

South 54°03’15” East along said canal right of way a distance of 83.53 feet to a 5/8 inch steel pin; thence following said right of way along a curve right having a radius of 268.31 feet for a distance of 133.23 feet to a 5/8 inch steel pin; thence

South 39°53’00” West a distance of 132.77 feet, more or less, to the Northern right of way of Highway 78 marked with a 5/8 steel pin; thence

North 50°07’00” West along said highway right of way a distance of 203.15 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: 608 State Hwy 78, Grand View, ID 83624, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID

REAL PROPERTY.

If the successful bidder cannot provide the bid price by means of one of the above means of payment, the sale will be postponed for 10 minutes only to allow the high bidder to obtain payment in a form prescribed herein above. If the high bidder is unsuccessful in obtaining payment as directed within 10 minutes, the sale will be re-held immediately and any bid by the high bidder from the previous sale, will be rejected, all in accordance with Idaho Code 45-1502 et. Sec.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by Camas J. Greenfield, a single man, as separate property, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Pioneer Federal Credit Union as Beneficiary, recorded November 26, 2003 as Instrument No. 246005, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

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

Make principal and interest payments as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$65,000.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of 5.59% per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated November 19, 2003. Payments are in default for the months of April and May 2007 in the amount of \$535.00 per month and continuing each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance as of May 31, 2007 is \$56,132.22 together with accrued and accruing interest thereon at the rate of 5.59% per annum. The per diem is \$8.54. In addition to the above, there is also due delinquent real property taxes for the first half of 2006, together with penalties and interest, and any other real property taxes that may become delinquent during this foreclosure; and any late charges, advances, escrow collection fees, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure.

The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$56,132.22, excluding interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder or in this sale, as trustee’s fees and/or reasonable attorney’s fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust.

Dated: June 27, 2007  
Alliance Title & Escrow Corp.  
By: Bobbi Oldfield, Trust Officer  
Phone: 947-1553  
7/4,11,18,25/07

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING:  
Proposed Budget of the Fiscal Year 2008 (FY 08)  
City of Grand View, Idaho

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing, pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002, will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008. The hearing will be held at City Hall, 425 Boise Ave, Grand View, Idaho at 7:00 pm on Wednesday August 8 , 2007. All interested persons are invited to appear and show cause, if any, why such budget should or should not be adopted. Copies of the proposed City budget in detail are available for current charge per copy at City Hall at 425 Boise Ave. in Grand View, ID during regular office hours 8:00 am to 5:00 pm - Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday. City Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone desiring accommodations for disabilities related to budget documents or to the hearing, please contact City Hall at 834-2700 at least 48 hours prior to public hearing. The proposed FY 2008 budget is shown below as the proposed expenditures and revenues.

City of Grand View Expenditures
Account Payable Name:
Administration:
Auto - Purchase / Maintenance / Fuel / Oil
Backhoe Maintenance
Capital Outlay
City/City Park Maint/Supplies/Repairs/Equip/Tools/Parts
Contingency Fund
Dues
Election Supplies
Engineering & Surveying
Fire Hydrant / Supplies
Insurance / Bonds / Workman's Compensation
Miscellaneous Expenses
Office Supplies / Postage / Safe Dep Box Fee
Petty Cash
Professional Services: Accounting / Legal
Publication
Seminars
Utilities - Power / Phone / Dumpster Service
Total City Expenditures

City Revenue Funds

City Business Liquor License
Interest ( Investment Pool / Bank )
Miscellaneous Revenue
State Liquor Allotment
State Revenue Sharing
State Sales Tax Revenue
County Warrant: Grand View Tax Levy & Ag
City Revenue

City Carry / Over Funds:

Investment Pool
Checking Account

Total City Carry / Over Funds:

Total Anticipated City Rev & C/O

City of Grand View - Street & Road Exp.

Account Payable Name:

Administration - Payroll Reimbursement
- Wages for Supervisor
- Wages for Maint. Assistant
Auto - Purchase / Maintenance / Fuel / Oil
Backhoe / Mower / Tractor Maintenance
Capital Outlay
Contingency Fund
Miscellaneous Expense
Professional: Accounting / Legal
Repairs & Maintenance - Streets / Safety
Street Signs / Signing
Surveying
Tools & Equipment
Utilities: Street Security Lighting
Total Street & Road Expenditures

St & Rd Revenue

HUR - State Highway Users Fund
Idaho Power Franchise
Interest ( Investment Pool / Bank )
Grand View Tax Levy
Total St & Rd Revenue

St & Rd Carry Over

Investment Pool
Checking Account

Total St & Rd Carry Over

Total Anticipated St&Rd Rev & C/O

The proposed expenditures and revenues for Fiscal Year 2008 have tentatively approved by the City Council and entered in detail in the Journal of Proceedings. Publication dates for the Notice of Public Hearing are July 25, 2007 and August 1, 2007 in the Owyhee Avalanche, Homedale, Idaho.

Helana (Lani) Race  
Grand View City Clerk / Treasurer

FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Approved Budget	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget
City Exp	City Exp	City Exp
\$9,600.00	\$9,600.00	\$10,600.00
\$1,100.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,600.00
\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
\$900.00	\$900.00	\$900.00
\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,113.00
\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00
\$1,500.00	\$1,750.00	\$1,750.00
\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
\$1,483.00	\$1,483.00	\$1,483.00
\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00
\$32,683.00	\$34,333.00	\$35,546.00

FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Approved Budget	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget
City Rev	City Rev	City Rev
\$1,350.00	\$1,350.00	\$1,350.00
\$100.00	\$100.00	\$120.00
\$1,800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
\$4,500.00	\$4,287.00	\$4,954.00
\$12,810.00	\$13,919.00	\$13,769.00
\$3,814.00	\$5,337.00	\$5,833.00
\$5,779.00	\$6,010.00	\$6,190.00
\$30,153.00	\$31,803.00	\$33,016.00
Approved Budget	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget
City C/O '06	City C/O '07	City C/O '08
\$2,278.00	\$2,363.00	\$2,493.00
\$252.00	\$167.00	\$37.00
\$2,530.00	\$2,530.00	\$2,530.00
\$32,683.00	\$34,333.00	\$35,546.00

FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Approved Budget	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget
St & Rd Exp	St & Rd Exp	St & Rd Exp
\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,300.00
\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00
\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
\$500.00	\$500.00	\$300.00
\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,000.00
\$3,578.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,500.00
\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
\$2,000.00	\$2,756.00	\$3,000.00
\$34,078.00	\$35,256.00	\$35,600.00

FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Approved Budget	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget
St & Rd Rev	St & Rd Rev	St & Rd Rev
\$18,426.00	\$19,052.00	\$18,503.00
\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
\$170.00	\$300.00	\$500.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$23,596.00	\$24,352.00	\$24,003.00
Approved Budget	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget
St&Rd C/O '06	St&Rd C/O '07	St&Rd C/O '08
\$9,090.00	\$9,407.00	\$9,926.00
\$1,392.00	\$1,497.00	\$1,671.00
\$10,482.00	\$10,904.00	\$11,597.00
\$34,078.00	\$35,256.00	\$35,600.00

City	\$35,546.00
St/Rd	\$35,600.00
City & St/Rd Total	\$71,146.00

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# Public notices

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE** Loan No: 0020955829 T.S.No.: 07-7843-ID 10/26/2007 at 11:00AM (recognized local time), At the main entrance to Pioneer Title Company 100 10th Avenue South Nampa, ID 83651. In the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee on behalf of Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Exhibit A Part of government Lot 3, Section 26, township 2 North Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. Commencing at the Northwest corner of said government Lot 3 (West Quarter Corner), said Corner monumented with a 3 inch diameter aluminum cap monument; thence South 90° 00’ 00” East a distance of 345.00 feet along the Northerly boundary of said Government lot 3, to the point of Beginning, said point monumented with a ½ inch diameter Iron pin; thence continuing South 90° 00’ 00” East a distance of 15.00 feet along the Northerly boundary of said Government Lot 3, to the point of beginning, said point monumented with a ½ inch diameter Iron pin; thence South 00° 00’ 00” East a distance of 150.00 feet parallel with the Westerly boundary of said Government Lot 3 to a ½ inch diameter iron pin; thence

South 90° 00’ 00” East a distance of 166.83 feet to a point on the Westerly right of way of State Highway No. 78, said point monumented with a ½ inch diameter iron pin; thence 638.76 feet along the arc of a 5,829.58 foot radius tangent curve left, along the Westerly right of way of said State Highway No. 78, the long chord of which bears South 28°36’52” East a distance of 638.43 feet to a ½ inch diameter iron pin; thence North 89° 21’44” West a distance of 487.61 feet to a ½ inch diameter iron pin; thence North 00° 00’ 00” East a distance of 705.03 feet parallel with the Westerly boundary of said Government Lot 3 to the point of beginning. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for the purposes of compliance with section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 8083 State Highway 78 Marsing, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with the said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: Chessica Ryska, a single woman, As grantors, To: First American Title Insurance Company as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, as Beneficiary, dated 2/27/2006, recorded 03/03/2006, as

Instrument No. 255434, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 2/27/2006. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$1,611.16 due per month from 3/1/2007 through 10/26/2007, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$173,179.64, plus accrued interest at the rate of 8.8% per annum from 2/1/2007 All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: 6/26/2007 By: First American Title Insurance Company By Allnation Default Services, Its Duly Authorized Agent 4665 MacArthur Court Suite 250 Newport Beach, CA 92660 949-252-2800 Lisa Bradford Turstee Sale Officer, P302475 7/11,18,25;8/1/07



## HELP WANTED

**Hiring vet technician/assistant.** PT/FT. Inquire at Owyhee Veterinary Clinic. Contact Darlene 208-337-4677

**Build a career** as an automotive parts specialist. We are looking to train a dependable and motivated individual. Benefits include heath insurance, retirement plan, training, paid holidays & vacation. Starting wages DOE. Apply at NAPA Auto Parts Homedale or Marsing. 208-337-4668

**Caretaker,** in-home, no experience necessary, immediate opening, graveyard shift. 482-7400

**Producers Supply Co-op** has immediate part-time opening for its new Homedale feed store. Afternoon & Saturdays. Must be able to lift 50 pounds, 4-H or FFA experience helpful. 208-880-8833 Mike

**Federal Programs/Food Service Secretary** full-time position opening, benefits available. HS Graduate/GED required. Strong computer skills, basic accounting skills required. Previous secretarial experience highly preferred. Position to be filled anytime. For info/application call Marsing School District, 896-4111 x197 or [www.marsingschools.org](http://www.marsingschools.org) (Employment).

**Owyhee Conservation District/ISCC** 3year Full time position for Agriculture Ground Water Project Coordinator, for more information pick up an application at OCD office 19 Reich St. Marsing, Idaho 208-896-4544 Gina or Lance

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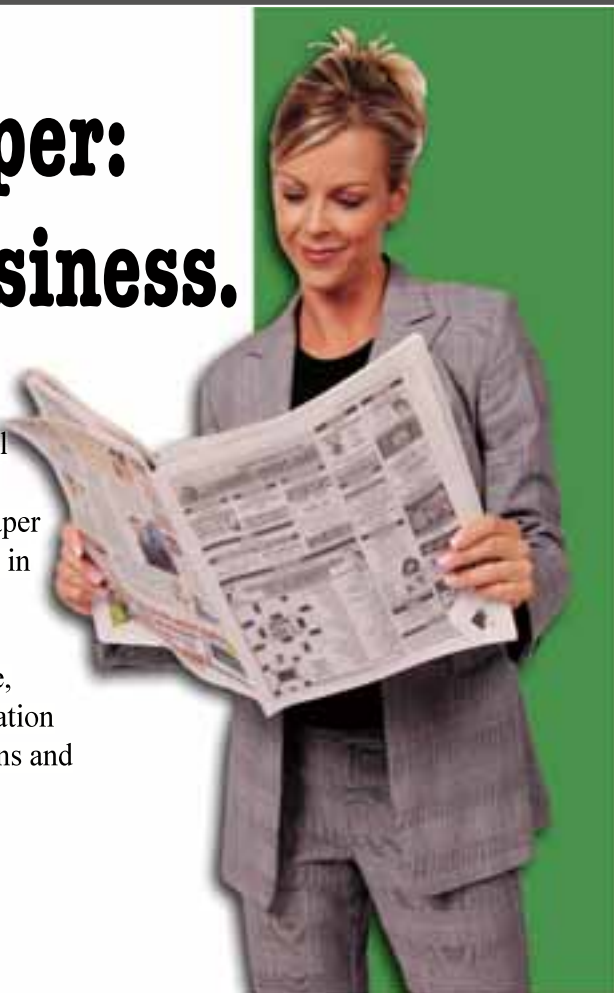
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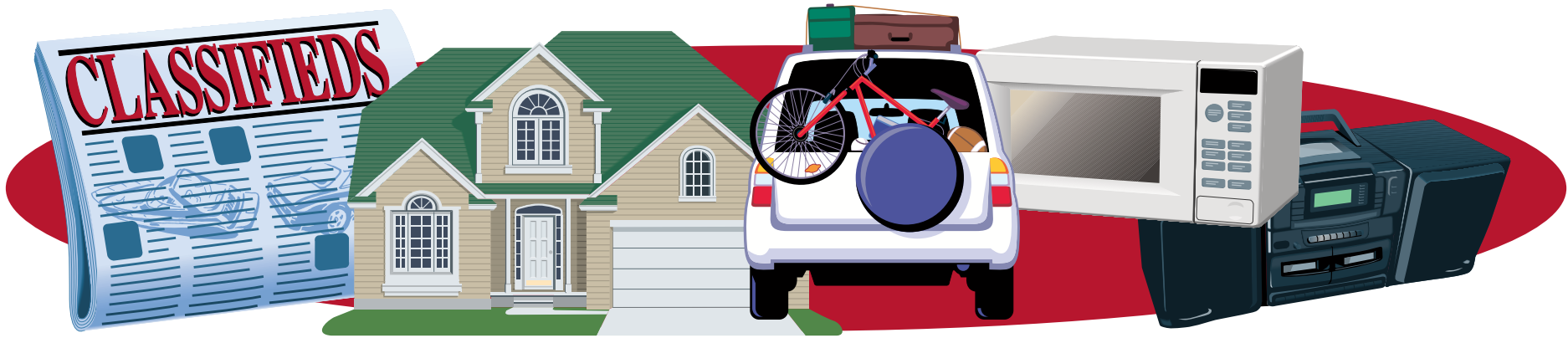
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