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County expenditures continue to climb

**FY 2008 budget
approaches \$9 million;
published budget
shows revenue shortfall**

An oversight in the published tentative budget has left Owyhee County more than \$95,000 short for Fiscal Year 2008 on paper. But County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn says the money is there, and that the corrected budget won't have to be published. A public hearing is scheduled Sept.

4 to review the proposed \$8.8 million budget, which reflects a 47.5 percent increase in spending in the past two years. The hearing will be held at 10 a.m. at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, and county taxpayers can give comment on the proposal at that time.

While expenses are lined out at \$8,827,589, the budget only shows revenues of \$8,731,688, including a carryover cash — *See Budget, page 5*
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Strike up the band



Homedale band gets an early jump

Former University of Idaho Marching Band director Spencer Martin, right, gives instruction to the Homedale school marching band drum line Thursday during a band camp at Homedale High School. Martin now is a graduate percussion student at Boise State University. Taking heed of Martin's lessons were, from left to right, sophomore Jacob McAbee, seventh-grader Corby Schamber, sophomore Preston Stevenson and eighth-grader Angel Salazar. *More on the camp and upcoming season for the band, Page 11*

Man nabbed with possible runaway

A Homedale man is in Owyhee County Jail after his arrest last week for suspicion of lewd conduct with a minor who is believed to be a runaway from the Las Vegas area. Gregorio Diaz-Monreal, 27, of Homedale was arraigned last week on charges of lewd conduct with a minor. Diaz-Monreal faces an Aug. 27 preliminary hearing on the charge.



*Gregorio
Diaz-Monreal*

Diaz-Monreal was arrested on Aug. 14 at a mobile home park on South Main Street in Homedale after Homedale Police received a report that he was at the park in the company of a 15-year-old runaway from Las Vegas who is listed on the Web site of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. — *See Runaway, page 5*

Bruneau-GV bond on ballot Tuesday

Bruneau-Grand View Joint School District superintendent Vickie Chandler is optimistic about Tuesday's bond election. The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. for patrons in the district, which services parts of

Owyhee and Elmore counties. Chandler anticipates the voters in the district to approve a general obligation bond that will provide just under \$5 million for — *See Bond, page 5*

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School crowding spawns new building in Marsing

School started on Monday at Marsing Middle School. This year, along with the students, a new building was scheduled to arrive.

A 1,792-square-foot modular building housing two classrooms was to be placed just behind the middle school gym. According to Marsing Joint School District superintendent Dr. Harold Shockley, one of the classrooms will be put into immediate use for middle school special education classes. The second new classroom has not yet been designated for use.

Shockley said the building was purchased by the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency. The bid price for the building was \$80,000. COSSA purchased the building rather than the Marsing school district because the agency coordinates special education instruction among the member school districts



Marsing school prepares for building
Piles of dirt and gravel bracket the area behind the Marsing Middle School gym where a temporary building slated to house a new special education classroom was scheduled to be placed on Monday.

of Homedale, Marsing, Notus, Parma and Wilder.

Shockley said that the new classroom was necessary to relieve an overcrowding situation that has “been coming basically since I came to Marsing.” This is the start of Shockley’s fifth year as

superintendent of the district. He estimated that enrollment for the 2007-08 school year will increase from 220 to a little more than 240. He said that with the exception of last year, enrollment at the school has increased by about a classroom per year since the 2004-05

school year. A couple of factors contributed to the need for a new special education classroom.

- The current classroom is unusually small because part of the space houses the school counselor’s office.
- The COSSA districts have combined instruction for special education students, and Marsing Middle School hosts the middle school classes. In other words, all middle school special education students from the Homedale, Marsing, Notus, Parma and Wilder districts take their classes at Marsing Middle School.
- Also, beginning this year, Val-livue School District in Caldwell is closed to non-district residents, which will bump up Marsing’s enrollment according to Shockley. A temporary module was the

only option available to the school district this year for increasing classroom space. The matter was discussed during the Marsing City Council’s August meeting. According to those discussions, the school district cannot undertake any further permanent construction until the current bond is paid down.

Even putting a temporary structure on the site was a challenge, because city ordinance allows only one structure to be tied in to a lot’s water meter. The temporary building would not have been allowed to tap into the water meter of any other school building.

That did not become an issue, however, because the school district was able to tap the building into a meter that had monitored the now-unused water lines to the athletic field bathrooms.

— RTH

City election season nears throughout Owyhee

Mayoral races ahead in all three Owyhee cities; Grand View may face empty ballot

As the filing period for municipal political candidacy draws near in Owyhee County, the Homedale ballot — at least unofficially — is filling up while it seems Grand View will struggle once again to find interested parties.

Aspiring candidates for the Nov. 6 general election can pick up declaration applications beginning Monday. The filing deadline is 5 p.m. on Sept. 7.

Two city council seats and the mayor slot will be up for grabs in Homedale’s election.

In Marsing, the mayoral position and two city council seats will be on the ballot.

Grand View residents will elect a full four-person council and a mayor.

Although no one can file for candidacy yet, a canvass of city clerks shows that a handful of people have picked up papers.

In Homedale, former city councilman Charles Garrison and former Chamber of Commerce president Aaron Tines both have obtained papers, according to City Clerk Alice Pegram.

Because the filing period hasn’t begun, Pegram said that until Garrison and Tines submit their paperwork, it won’t be known whether they intend to seek a

council seat or the mayoralty. Tines ran for city council in 2005.

City Hall staff said that incumbent city councilman Steve Schultz also picked up candidacy papers.

Although he hasn’t obtained declaration papers, Paul Fink has confirmed he will run for a sixth term as Homedale mayor.

Schultz’s four-year term and a four-year term held by Bill Page will be on the city council ballot. Page was elected to a two-year term in 2005.

Anyone wishing to run for office in Homedale is required to file a declaration of candidacy with the city clerk and submit either a nonrefundable \$40 filing fee or a petition of candidacy signed by at least five qualified city electors as verified by the clerk’s office.

While the Homedale election season seems to be off to a popular

start, no one has yet to pick up papers in Marsing or Grand View.

Marsing Mayor Don Osterhoudt has said he won’t seek a second term as the town’s chief executive.

The four-year city council seats currently held by Paula Enrico and Ed Pfeifer will be up for grabs in November, according to Marsing City Clerk Janice Bicandi. No one has picked up papers yet.

The most interesting situation could be in Grand View, where the office of mayor and all four city council seats will appear on the November ballot.

Two years ago, Mayor Paul Spang was forced to appoint three councilmen when no one — including incumbents — stepped forward to run for the office.

But after the 2005 filing period had passed with no one mounting a campaign, the incumbents — Derron Frederick, Rodger Dillard

and William (Bill) Lawrence — said they would resign and agreed to be reappointed by Spang.

Frederick and Dillard began their latest terms five days apart in November 2005. Lawrence was appointed a month later.

For Lawrence and Frederick, it was déjà vu. Spang had appointed both men to their city council seats once before the 2005 reappointments.

Things are looking awfully familiar for the 2007 election in Grand View.

City Clerk Lani Race said that Spang and Frederick and city councilman Franklin Hart have said they will not run in the November election. Spang and Hart were elected to office in 2003.

Race also said that Dillard and Lawrence have not stated their intentions for the upcoming election.

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Business owner: Registration an unnecessary step

Jolley suggests doing away with Homedale's city council system

Mark Jolley is unhappy about Homedale's latest weather balloon about requiring businesses to register with City Hall.

"Registering of businesses is already in place and has been for decades," he said. "It's controlled by the Secretary of State, the state tax commission and the health department."

Jolley owns Allied Signs on East Idaho Avenue. He also sells Sweet Spot ice cream out of his location at the corner of East Fourth Street North and the city's main drag.

He has all the state-mandated licenses and permits to run both businesses. He even spent \$250 for a permit to sell ice cream at the Owyhee County Fair earlier this month.

Jolley said he would support the city charging a vending license for streetside food vendors, but he said that fees for any other business in town would amount to double-taxation because all businesses already contribute to the county coffers. The City Council still is working through registration requirements, including whether any fees would be charged.

Jolley has owned the sign business for five years, including three years in its current locale. The ice cream business was a venture he undertook earlier this year when he bought the large truck that has become a fixture in his driveway.

Jolley says he has plans to turn the front of his business into an ice cream parlor once he gets the capital to move his sign and shipping business to the east side of the building.

But he was set off recently when his ice cream business was lumped in with another East Idaho Avenue food vendor — Mr. Taco — when Homedale Mayor Paul Fink rekindled his bid to have all



Frustrated businessman

Mark Jolley, the owner of Allied Signs and Sweet Spot Ice Cream in Homedale, disagrees with the city's recent probe into starting business registration.

businesses in Homedale register with the city.

"It really ticks me off when the mayor says they have all these pop-up businesses," Jolley said. "(City officials) should be encouraging business to come into town. That's what fuels the tax base."

Jolley said he is frustrated further by this latest move by the city because — although he owns a business in the city limits — he lives out of town and has no vote to change the course of city politics.

He said that he stopped attending City Council meetings because of his frustration with the course the city was taking.

"I have heard nothing in five years about the city except derogatory, mismanaged, penny-ante (stuff) that comes out of City Hall," Jolley said.

In light of the latest development, Jolley said he might show up at council meetings again, but he also suggested another way to correct what he perceives as Homedale's misdirection.

He would like to see Homedale do away with the city council system and hire a city manager to conduct city business and "get it done; get it done right."

— JPB



Lori Badiola cuts the ribbon at the grand opening of Moxie Java

Homedale Chamber of Commerce vice-president Brad Dines and secretary Robin Aberasturi hold the ribbon for Lori Badiola as she prepares to cut the ribbon at the grand opening of Moxie Java in Homedale on Saturday. Looking on to the right of Badiola is Chamber president Gavin Parker, while to the left is Lori's husband, Ben.

Business plaza stirs with P&Z hearing

The lengthy transformation of the former Homedale Auto Recyclers salvage yard on East Idaho Avenue takes another step Monday at the Homedale Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

Homedale Plaza Partners LLC, the group that hopes to bring a restaurant and motel to the

area, has petitioned the planning and zoning commissioners for a vacation of the public right-of-way for an alley at Fifth Street and Riverside Avenue.

The public hearing is one of two to be held during the commission's meeting 7 p.m. Monday inside City Hall.

Also on the agenda is a special

use permit application from the Homedale Christian Church. Church leaders want to build a 366-square-foot addition on to the property at 110 W. Montana Ave., and planning and zoning administrator Sylvia Bahem said that a special use permit is required because the church is in a residential area.

Paul's Market pharmacy open for business

Paul's Market completed its expansion plans in Homedale on Monday by opening the new pharmacy.

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Corrections

In the Aug. 15 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche, it was incorrectly reported that the Homedale City Council had approved a waiver to allow Westowns Disposal to build a transfer station near the airport with a 20-foot setback. The council actually tabled the issue until its Aug. 23 meeting, at which time members would review the architectural plan.

The player in a photo from practice for the Homedale High School football team was misidentified in last week’s Avalanche. The ball carrier was Rodrigo Villarreal.

Proposed budget gives sheriff flexibility

Jailers get a raise; Aman won’t have to factor in money from Initiative

The reduction of his budget is a matter of simplification, not cutting services, Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman said Friday.

In fact, the proposed budget for the Owyhee County Jail includes the addition of a jailer/dispatcher position that will give Aman flexibility inside his Murphy office.

“There is a shared position between detention and dispatch, which is going to be a tremendous help,” he said.

The tentative jail budget is \$772,809 for fiscal year 2008 (a drop of \$38,020), while the proposed sheriff’s office budget is set at more than \$1.2 million (down \$270,913).

The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners is scheduled to hold a public hearing on the proposed budget at 10 a.m. Sept. 4 inside the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy.

The proposed FY 2008 budgets for the sheriff and jail show a sharp decline over the 2007 figures — 15 percent total — but the money that Aman has lost

never really existed because the Owyhee Initiative didn’t make it through the legislative process at the tail end of 109th Congress.

“Last year, the county put in enough money to cover the cost of what the Initiative would bring into the department,” Aman said.

A year ago, when Owyhee County was preparing for the FY 2007 budget hearing, county clerk Charlotte Sherburn said the money had to be put in the budget so the county wouldn’t have to revamp its budget in the event of the Initiative making it into law.

Aman said the county commissioners passed a resolution stipulating that the funding — about \$650,000 according to Sherburn last August — couldn’t be spent until the Initiative went into effect.

The sheriff said that made managing his 2007 budget very difficult, and he asked the commissioners to take the money off the books for 2008 so he could concentrate more on law enforcement and less on balance

sheets.

“I have to plan on everything by working with percentages, and with that falsely inflated figure, it affected the percentages and you had to really, really stay on top of it,” Aman said. “And it created a lot more work for me.”

Aman said that the amount from the Owyhee Initiative, if it passes, will be greater than a year ago because salaries for the new positions created by the Sen. Mike Crapo-sponsored legislation — four new dispatchers and four new deputies — will have increased. Additionally, the county now is required to purchase vehicles outright instead of leasing them, and the Initiative calls for financing for new equipment for the dispatchers and vehicles for the patrolmen.

But the money won’t materialize unless the Owyhee Initiative Implementation Act can make its way through Congress and be signed into law by President Bush before the end of the fiscal year.

Unlike a year ago, the county has exercised its option not to include the potential funds in the budget at this time. Aman said that the county can petition the district court to allow them to amend

the budget when the Initiative becomes law.

Even without the Initiative money, Aman is scheduled to receive much needed support for his operations, especially the jail.

The shared position for the jail and dispatch center creates the opportunity to have a cross-trained employee who can do both jobs.

“I will have another dispatcher/jailer on for the busy times,” he said.

Aman said that on district court motion days — the second Friday of each month — he has been forced to move his jailer into the courtroom, leaving no one to watch the jail.

The new budget also will give Aman assistance in trying to retain personnel. In the past few months, a jailer — Atanacio Montes — and a deputy — Perry Grant — have left Aman’s office to work for the Homedale Police Department.

“I’m getting my detention officer salaries raised up to the same level as patrol officers, which will be a huge help to me to retain jailers,” the sheriff said.

— JPB

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Sheriff still looking for deputy, jailer

Gary Aman’s quest to fill to open positions in the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office is slow going.

The sheriff said that he had nine applicants for the county’s jailer and deputy vacancies, but only six tested for the positions.

“I tested six for patrol and the

jail, and I’m down to three in the running,” Aman said.

The sheriff said all three are being considered for the patrol position left empty when Deputy Perry Grant left to replace Officer Ian Takashige at the Homedale Police Department.

“I’m still looking for a jailer,” Aman said.

Former jailer Atanacio Montes also now is employed as a Homedale Police officer.

Aman said that he expects to have a new deputy hired within a month.

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Commissioners OK new P&Z fees

The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners approved a new schedule of Planning and Zoning fees after a public hearing last week.

The hearing was held during the commission's weekly meeting in Murphy on Aug. 13.

Only two people showed up for the public hearing, according to county Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff.

The new schedule establishes planning fees for changes to the comprehensive plan, conditional uses, ordinance amendments, vacation requests, rezoning requests, appeals to the board of commissioners and

various steps in the subdivision process.

Zoning fees would include property research, certification of zoning compliance and floodplain development, among others.

The zoning fees range from \$70 for floodplain development to \$1,000 for a variance.

The fees are calculated per parcel.

Planning fees include a \$2,008 charge for a residential conditional use permit. Each additional lot in a subdivision in which a conditional use permit would be required would cost the developer \$10.

A conditional use permit applicant

seeking commercial or industrial use will pay \$4,000.

A gravel pit conditional use permit application would cost \$4,500, and a dairy or feedlot permit application will cost \$5,500 for an operation with 5,000 or fewer cows. Additional fees will be charged for larger operations.

The cost for major industrial conditional use permits, such as the one that the Idaho Energy Complex filed last month, will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis.

The application fee to request a subdivision of more than 10 lots is \$4,000 plus \$25 per lot.

A conditional rezoning request will carry a \$5,000 fee.

It will cost \$3,000 to appeal any planning and zoning commission decision to the county commissioners.

The new fee schedule also established a refund policy for permits that are withdrawn. An applicant may request a refund of 90 percent of the fee within seven calendar days of the application. After the seven-day period, the application fee becomes non-refundable.

The new schedule also states that only the county commissioners have the power to waive or reduce any fee.

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✓ Budget: County set to spend \$1 million more in FY 2008 than last year

balance of more than \$1.4 million. The shortfall of \$95,900 is the exact amount that the county has budgeted for 911 services in its proposed expenditures.

Sherburn acknowledged the error Monday morning, but said that the legal notice would not have to be republished because the oversight wouldn't affect property taxes. A second publication of the budget would force the county to reschedule its public hearing beyond the timeframe mandated by state law.

Idaho Code 31-1605 orders counties to hold a budget hearing before the Tuesday following the first Monday of September, which would be Sept. 4 this year. It is against state law for the commissioners to approve a budget the amount of which is greater than that of the tentative budget originally advertised in the legal notice.

Sherburn said that while 911 expenditures were listed in the tentative budget, the income from

911 fees collected from phone charges was left off the county's estimated revenue summary, which was published in the Aug. 15 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche. Sherburn said that although not listed, the 911 fees are available through a county trust.

The proposed FY 2008 budget appropriates nearly \$1 million more than the 2007 budget, which is a 12 percent increase. Expenditures in 2006 were a little less than \$6 million.

While the biggest increases will be in the Planning, Zoning and Building line item (76.5 percent) and the combined County Fair and Fairgrounds line items (75.4 percent), the law enforcement budget (sheriff's office and jail) will decrease 15 percent.

The 2008 budget reflects significant jumps in departmental budgets such as:

- Planning, Zoning and Building: From \$109,277 in 2007 to \$466,412 in the proposed FY

- 2008 budget (76.5 percent)
- County fair and fairgrounds: From \$84,086 to \$147,500 (75.4 percent)
- Junior college tuition: From \$18,000 to \$25,000 (38.9 percent)
- Road and bridge: From just under \$1.5 million to just under \$2 million (33.7 percent)
- Civil defense: From \$42,699 to \$55,559 (30.1 percent)
- Probation: From \$207,705 to \$258,151 (24.3 percent)
- Prosecuting attorney: From \$208,899 to \$258,868 (23.9 percent)
- County agent: From \$104,559 to \$129,180 (23.5 percent)
- Building department: From \$89,180 to \$108,435 (21.6 percent)
- Technology department: From \$131,300 to \$159,500 (21.5 percent)
- Pest control: From \$9,800 to \$11,800 (20.4 percent)
- Weed control: From \$111,046 to \$133,389 (20.1 percent)

- Tort: From \$115,000 to \$138,000 (20 percent)
- County clerk/auditor: From \$346,272 to \$415,356 (19.9 percent)

Meanwhile, the sheriff's office budget will shrink from \$1.5 million in FY 2007 to \$1.2 million next year. The jail budget will drop about \$38,000 to nearly \$773,000.

Sheriff Gary Aman said his budget was reduced because he asked that the anticipated revenue from the passage of the Owyhee Initiative be removed to make bookkeeping easier. The money from the Initiative only comes to the county if the implementation act now in the U.S. Senate becomes law.

The public notice for the budget hearing reports that the county will bring forward a cash balance of more than \$1.4 million from FY 2007 and will bring in nearly \$2.2 million in taxes. The balance of the revenue will come from state funds (nearly \$750,000) and more

than \$4.3 million in a column designated as "Other."

The county fair budget will increase a little less than \$13,000 to \$47,500, while the fair grounds and buildings budget will more than double from \$49,313 in FY 2007 to \$100,000 next year. Fair board members still are trying to complete the expansion of the livestock barn, which was put on hold this year because of a lack of money.

It's unclear why the Planning, Zoning and Building budget will skyrocket in FY 2008, but the county has seen an explosion in development and the county commissioners held a public hearing on a new developmental fee schedule on Aug. 13. The majority of the budget increase will be seen in the "Other" category, to which only \$61,474 was budgeted a year ago. In FY 2008, that line has ballooned to \$382,345.

— JPB

✓ Runaway: FBI probing possible kidnapping case

According to police logs, county dispatch verified that the minor involved is listed on the missing and exploited Web site and confirmed the minor's status as missing with Las Vegas police. According to the missing and exploited children Web site, the minor was reported missing on July 8, 2006.

John Morton, a spokesman for the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Boise office, confirmed that the FBI had received a call from the Homedale Police Department regarding Diaz-Monreal's arrest. The Boise FBI office is looking into the possibility that Diaz-Monreal may be responsible for the minor's abduction and transport across state lines, which could result in Diaz-Monreal's being charged with kidnapping.

Attempts to contact the Homedale Police Department for comment were unsuccessful.

— RTH

✓ Bond: Final informational meeting set for tonight

improvements and repairs at the district's three schools — Bruneau and Grand View elementary schools and Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School.

She credits the work of the plant and facilities committee as well as the strategic planning committee with laying the groundwork for what she and other supporters hope is a successful bond election.

"People have been very supportive because that team has researched so much," she said.

Polls will be open at three locations in Owyhee County and a fourth location in Elmore. Chandler said one thing that the school bond election has in advantage over other elections is that patrons can vote at the poll nearest to them on Election Day. Oth-

Results online

The results of the Bruneau-Grand View School District general obligation bond election are scheduled to be available online at www.owyheepublishing.com next Wednesday.

er elections require voters to cast ballots at the polling place nearest their place of residence.

Polls will be open at Bruneau Elementary (28541 Benham Ave.), Grand View Elementary (205 First St.), the George Bennett residence on Bennett Road in Elmore County and the Oreana Community Hall in Oreana.

The last of seven bond in-

formation meetings will be held at 7 tonight at Bruneau Elementary.

Chandler said that the previous six meetings, at which residents received information on how the bond would affect their property taxes, showed that patrons are behind the push to shore up the facilities throughout the school district.

She wasn't concerned about the low turnout at the meetings.

"Lots of people have been very supportive; they feel comfortable with what we're doing," Chandler said.

A big gauge of how the bond would be accepted was Thursday's public meeting at the Grand View Senior Center, Chandler said.

"The meeting at the senior

center was very positive," she said. "That was the crew I was very worried about because of their fixed incomes."

According to literature mailed out by the school district prior to the information meetings, the annual tax bill for residential property assessed at \$200,000 will increase \$93.33 after the primary residence homeowners' exemption is factored in.

The annual tax bill for property assessed at \$100,000 will increase \$42.17, and the bill for a \$50,000 assessment will rise \$21.09.

Chandler said the Bruneau-Grand View school board plans to meet at 9 p.m. Tuesday to canvass the votes, and the election will be certified only hours after the polls close.

— JPB

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Aug. 23: Spaghetti or pizza hot pocket, French bread, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
Aug. 24: Hot ham cheese or turkey sandwich, yogurt, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
Aug. 27: Wiener wrap or chicken pot pie, mac & cheese, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, rice krispy bar, milk.
Aug. 28: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
Aug. 29: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, cake, milk.

Homedale Middle

Aug. 23: Lasagna or pizza hot pocket, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, bread stick, milk.
Aug. 24: Pizza or popcorn chicken, tossed salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.
Aug. 27: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.
Aug. 28: Fish nuggets or mini corn dogs, rice, fruit & veggie bar, brownie, milk.
Aug. 29: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale High

Aug. 23: Chicken patty or hamburger, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, sherbet cup, milk.
Aug. 24: Chicken taco or French dip sandwich, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
Aug. 27: Pizza, nachos or chef’s salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.
Aug. 28: Chicken nuggets or egg roll, rice pilaf, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
Aug. 29: Idaho haystack, burrito or pizza hot pocket, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon roll, milk.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Aug. 23: French dip sandwich, scalloped potatoes, California blend vegetables, drink.
Aug. 28: Chicken cacciatore w/spaghetti, salad, roll, drink.
Aug. 29: Sausage & biscuits, country gravy, carrots, drink.
Aug. 30: Roast pork, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas & carrots, roll, drink.

Marsing Senior Center

Aug. 23: Roast beef, potatoes, coleslaw, soup, dessert, drink.
Aug. 27: Breakfast to order.
Aug. 28: Cheesy chicken bake, potatoes, broccoli, applesauce, date cookies, corn muffins.
Aug. 29: Breakfast to order. Lasagna, salad bar, soup, dessert, drink.
Aug. 30: Pepper steak, potatoes/gravy, broccoli, fruit salad, dessert, drink.

Life’s milestones

The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes any news of engagements, weddings and births or announcements of significant birthdays or anniversaries. Photos are accepted, too. Announcements must be received by 5 p.m. Friday the week before publication.

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Obituaries

Kenneth LaVerne Clary

Kenneth LaVerne Clary, 81, of Caldwell went to our Lord and Savior Thursday, August 16, 2007 at a local nursing home. Rosary Devotions were recited at 7:00 PM Sunday, August 19, 2007 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Funeral services were held at 10:30 AM Monday, August 20, 2007 at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, Caldwell. Interment followed at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Caldwell.

Kenneth was born July 3, 1926 to Earl and Ethel Clary in Roswell, Idaho and grew up in Roswell/Parma, Idaho, where he was the fifth in the family of seven siblings. He graduated from Parma High School in 1946 and married Julia (Uria) Clary on October 26, 1952 before permanently settling in Caldwell, Idaho. He served our country in the Army from 1950-1952 and worked for the



US Postal Service for 20 years. During retirement, he enjoyed collecting many antiques.

Kenneth will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He is survived by two sons Chris (Laura) of Boise and Anthony (Jenifer) of Boulder City, NV; and three grandchildren, Adam, Maggie and



Jack. He is also survived by his sibling, Elaine Watson of Peck, ID. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and his siblings Dale, Warren, Leonard, Martha and Ruby.

Viewing was held from 1:00 to 4:00 PM Sunday at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

Sara E. (Bess) Shipley

Sara E. (Bess) Shipley, 85, died Wednesday, June 13, 2007 in Boise. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 am, Thursday, Aug 30, 2007 at the Wilder ID Cemetery.

Sara was born December 12, 1921 in Dublin, Georgia, a daughter of Edward & Alma Milton. After graduating from high school & a business school in Albany, Georgia she moved to Jacksonville, Florida where she worked as a hostess at the Roosevelt Hotel. There she met Gerald C (Jerry) Shipley who was stationed in the Navy & were married on January 17, 1942. They moved to Seward,

Nebraska in 1945 & she worked for a Judge as a Seward Court Recorder. The family moved to several states while Jerry worked for the telephone company, ending up in Homedale, Idaho in 1972. Throughout the years Sara worked for the Forest Service, H&R Block & raised two children. In 1984 they retired to a small acreage just outside of Homedale until March of 1994 when they moved to Boise to be closer to family.

Sara enjoyed bowling, working in her garden and Sunday drives. She was active in the Homedale Senior Citizens, Eastern Star & St. Hubert’s Catholic Church. She

will be deeply missed by her loved ones. “We love you Grandma!”

Sara is survived by a daughter Deanna (Dee Dee) Wroten; a son Dennis Shipley; two granddaughters Jennifer Wroten & Darryn Shipley; a grandson Jeremy Shipley & two sisters Effie Therkildson & Wilma Bracewell. She was preceded in death by her husband Jerry, her parents and a brother James.

Instead of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to: Journeys Hospice, 223 E Amity Ave, Nampa, ID 83686, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, PO Box 848, Homedale, ID 83628 or your favorite charity.

Death notices

ELLEN CORTA, 93, Caldwell, died August 18, 2007 at a Nampa care center of natural causes. Services are pending with Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. 459-3629

CLAYTON A. WILSON, 77, Jordan Valley, died Friday in Cambridge. Services are pending under Thomason Funeral Home, Weiser.



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Boosters sell Lizard Butte Library bricks

The Friends of Lizard Butte Library organization is selling commemorative bricks to benefit the Marsing library building through Sept. 29.

The bricks cost \$30. Each brick can carry up to three lines of text to dedicate the buyer’s donation.

The new library complex, which will include a community room, is scheduled to be completed Dec. 15, Friends of Lizard Butte Library president Dottie Christensen wrote in a release announcing the continued sale of the bricks.

To order bricks or for more information about the library or its new construction, contact Friends of Lizard Butte Library at (208) 455-2550 or Lizard Butte Library at (208) 896-4690.

Your finances

Multi-level business opportunity a risky financial endeavor

Dear Dave,

My husband and I have an opportunity to buy into a new energy company. Evidently you can buy into these companies and can become a sales rep. Then, with your accounts and with other representatives that you get to come in under you, you can earn commissions, bonuses and residuals as well. It will cost \$500 to sign up and \$50 per month to stay in. I want to know if it's a waste of our money or something we should seriously consider.

— Jen

Dear Jen,

This sounds like a multi-level company, and that scares me. Not all multi-levels are bad, but lots are and start-ups like this worry me the most. If someone came to my door wanting me to buy my gasoline or electricity from a multi-level organization — and whether or not my lights stayed on were dependent on that company — I'd tell them to take a hike.

There are two aspects you want to look at with multi-level companies. One is the financial stability of the company. The other is the strength of the idea. In other words, would you buy the product if you weren't interested in selling the stuff?

There's a multi-level company out there that sells food and will deliver to your door. Some people might do this, but the truth is that most folks don't have groceries delivered to their homes. Ideas like this ask consumers to change their buying habits, and from a marketing perspective that's a tough sale.

Remember the old saying "When in doubt, don't?" I think I'd let this idea sit for a while.

— Dave

Dear Dave,

I'm 21 and have had my own small business part-time for about a year. Two months ago, I left my full-time job to focus on this business, but I'm getting really frustrated. It seems like every month a different problem is coming up — taxes, insurance or something completely unexpected. I wondered if converting to an LLC or an S Corp would help me out and make things easier. What do you think?

— Josh

Dear Josh,

Moving to an LLC or S Corp status probably won't help much in your situation. And from what you've said, I don't think that's your problem. It sounds to me like the trouble is that you're not planning for expenses or doing a budget for your business.



You should be able to anticipate taxes and insurance each month because those aren't surprises. You know they're coming. Plan ahead and figure out what you need to make in August, September and October to be able to break even on these things. Emergencies will always pop up, and you need to be ready for those. But taxes and insurance will always be there, so you should start planning for the future.

Sit down and lay out a budget, giving every dollar a name on paper just like you would at home, and see what expenses you can anticipate for the upcoming months. In business there are two kinds of expenses: fixed and variable. Fixed expenses are recurring expenses such as rent, office supplies or the phone bill. They're usually about the same each month. Variable expenses are the costs associated with producing your goods or service.

If you're in construction, the more homes you build the more you'll have to spend on materials. That cost will vary according to how much business you are doing. The good thing about variable expenses is that as they go up, that usually means your income is going up as well! After you've covered your fixed and variable expenses, everything else is profit.

LLCs and S Corps are not magic tax-erasers, and the fact is they really don't save you much. You need a game plan, Josh. Start working toward projecting your income and expenses a little better, and get your business on a budget.

If you'll do these things, I can guarantee you won't have as much stuff sneaking up on you!

— 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. For more financial advice, visit the Web site or call (888) 22-PEACE. Have a question for Dave? Send correspondence to syndication@daveramsey.com or write Dave Says, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

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Calendar

Today

DivorceCare recovery support group, 7 p.m., Mountain 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. 6th 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

Bruneau-Grand View School District General Obligation Bond election, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Bruneau Elementary School, Grand View Elementary School, the George

Bennett Residence, and the Oreana Community Hall.

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

Homedale NFL Flag Football registration, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Avenue. (208) 337-6108

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.

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Submit information on upcoming fund-raisers, reunions or community events to *The Owyhee Avalanche* by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. Drop off press releases at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to jbrownditor@cablone.net. For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.

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Rimrock FFA news

*by Jackie Thurman
Chapter reporter*

At the Owyhee County Fair earlier this month, eight Rimrock FFA members took animals to compete at the fair.

On Aug. 8, all of the members weighed in their animals and everyone made weight. On Aug. 9, the beef show was held, Ellie Cantrell, Anna Cantrell, Ariel Turner and Chris Hipwell competed in showmanship and quality. Everyone did very well. In quality, Ellie Cantrell placed second in her class and was reserve champion in the Self-sponsored class. Anna Cantrell placed first in her class, and Chris Hipwell placed third in the Cattlemen’s-sponsored class. At the end of the beef show, Ellie, Anna, Ariel and Chris all competed in the Pen of Three competition and received reserve champion.

Later that day, Jackie Thurman competed in the sheep show. She competed in both showmanship and quality and did very well and received blue ribbons.

The pig show was held Aug. 10, and the other three members competed, including Chelsey Lemon, Ross Lemon and Kurtis Theil. They all did very well in both showmanship and quality.

We were all very happy and proud of our FFA members who competed.

Also on Aug. 10, the Owyhee County Fair hosted a livestock judging contest. We entered two teams, including first team, Cole Merrick, Jackie Thurman, Anna Cantrell, Geoff King and Jay Long. The second team included Chelsey Lemon, Jeremy King, Chris Hipwell and Ellie Cantrell. The Rimrock FFA first team took

first place, and the second team took fourth place. Cole Merrick from first team took first place in high individual and received a belt buckle.

The Rimrock FFA livestock judging team competed at the Western Idaho Fair on Friday.

On June 4-8, 14 Rimrock FFA chapter members attended the Idaho Career Development Events in Moscow.

Rimrock members who attended consisted of Leigh Martin, Jay Long, Geoff King, Cole Merrick, Brian Meyers, Alex Meyers, Ellie Cantrell, Chelsey Lemon, Shawn Service, Anna Cantrell, Connor Merrick, Jackie Thurman, Allen Martin and Ariel Turner. Our members competed in five different events.

Our first team was our livestock judging team, which consisted of Long, King, Anna Cantrell and Thurman.

Our dairy team consisted of Lemon, Service, King and Allen Martin.

Our foods team consisted of Leigh Martin, Service, Turner and Ellie Cantrell.

Our meats team consisted of Ellie Cantrell, Brian Meyers, Alex Meyers and Cole Merrick.

Our last team, which is Ag Mechanics, did the best out of all of our teams and consisted of Connor Merrick, Cole Merrick, Long and Leigh Martin. The team placed first in Moscow and will Idaho at the national competition during the national FFA convention in Indianapolis in October.

The Ag Mechanics team placed first in four out of the six events in which it competed. Cole Merrick placed first in both tool identification and arc welding. Connor Merrick placed first in small engines, and Leigh Martin placed first in electricity.

We are very proud of all of our teams and can’t wait until nationals.

The Rimrock FFA chapter would like to thank the University of Idaho for welcoming us and for the hospitality. It really made our stay a comfortable one. We can’t wait until next year.



Jordan Valley High classes reunite

The Jordan Valley High School graduating classes stretching from 1970 to 1980 held a reunion at the city park on Saturday. Many graduates toured the school reminiscing about old times and inspecting changes that have occurred. A catered dinner was served, and around 200 people showed up to enjoy the event. For most of the classes it had been at least 20 years since the last reunion. Submitted photo

Sheriff obtains portable defibrillators through grant

The Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office announced last week that it has received 12 portable resuscitation machines through a federally funded state program.

Sheriff Gary Aman said the automated external defibrillators (AEDs) are being provided to the sheriff’s office at no cost through the Idaho Emergency Medical Services Bureau of the Department of Health and Welfare. The funding comes from the federal Office of Rural Health Policy’s Rural Access to Emergency Devices grant.

Each unit costs between \$800 and \$1,000 and they will be placed in each deputy’s patrol vehicle.

The machine sends electric pulses through patches placed on the patient’s torso to stabilize heart rates.

“With the amount of recreation in the rural areas, it is important that a deputy has the tools to possibly save someone’s life,” Aman wrote in a press release.

The sheriff said the addition of the defibrillators is another link in an extensive emergency medical response network in Owyhee County.

“Many times, an Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office patrol deputy can be the first person on scene of a remote medical



Sheriff receives medical equipment

This Defibtech automatic external defibrillator is similar to the 12 units that the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office has received through a federal grant program. Photo from Defibtech Web site

emergency and can provide the care that is needed until a ground ambulance or an air ambulance is on scene,” Aman wrote.

He said the new AEDs used in conjunction with quick response units from Silver City, Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson, Melba, Bruneau and Oreana as well as the ambulance services in Homedale, Marsing and Grand View gives emergency medical crews extensive coverage of the vast county.

Aman also said that four of his patrol deputies are certified as emergency medical technicians and most of the others have received CPR/AED training and basic first aid training.

Furthermore, Deputy Russ Turner is a certified CPR/AED instructor, so the sheriff’s office will be able to keep up certification at no additional cost. The sheriff’s office budget also will cover routine maintenance on the AED units.

DeRuyter, other dairies sign deal with IEC

Marsing-based DeRuyter Dairy, which recently asked the county for permission to expand its operation, is one of the local dairies to enter into a cooperative with Alternate Energy Holdings, Inc. (AEHI), according to a press release issued last week by the corporation headquartered in Virginia.

DeRuyter, which is awaiting word on its conditional use permit

application, joins Happy Valley Dairy and Van Es Dairy and others in the agreement with AEHI holding Idaho Energy Complex for the co-production of methane.

IEC recently filed a conditional use permit application with the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission as one of the initial steps to build a \$3.5 billion, 1,600-megawatt nuclear power plant near Grand

View. Plant owners envision a bio-fuel plant on the site as well.

According to a Wednesday press release, the methane created naturally by agricultural waste such as that produced at the dairies would be combined with the excess heat from the nuclear operation to generate power at the facility.


The power plant still is at least three years away from federal approval.

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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation Web site showed that, as of Monday morning, Owyhee Reservoir was 33 percent full and that water was being released into the Owyhee River at Nyssa, Ore., at the rate of 235 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 236,415 acre-feet of water.

The following statistics were gathered from the National Resources Conservation Service Web site at 7:30 a.m. Monday:

Date	Reynolds Creek			
	Year to Date	Temperatures		
	Precipitation	Max.	Min.	Avg.
08/14	13.3	81	63	72
08/15	13.2	87	62	74
08/16	13.2	89	65	76
08/17	13.1	86	65	75
08/18	13.2	80	59	70
08/19	13.6	80	59	67
08/20	13.3	70	45	59

Date	South Mountain			
	Year to Date	Temperatures		
	Precipitation	Max.	Min.	Avg.
08/14	28.7	82	58	69
08/15	28.7	86	65	72
08/16	28.7	87	67	75
08/17	28.7	85	65	74
08/18	28.7	80	59	68
08/19	28.7	78	58	67
08/20	28.7	65	49	57

Mud Flat				
Date	Year to Date	Temperatures		
	Precipitation	Max.	Min.	Avg.
08/14	11.7	90	49	71
08/15	11.8	91	54	73
08/16	11.9	93	57	77
08/17	11.9	94	63	78
08/18	11.7	89	54	73
08/19	11.7	86	52	69
08/20	11.7	75	49	61

Weather

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Aug. 14	95	49	.00
Aug. 15	98	49	.00
Aug. 16	99	53	.00
Aug. 17	98	53	.00
Aug. 18	no reading taken		
Aug. 19	no reading taken		
Aug. 20	93	48	.11

Governor declares drought emergency

On Aug. 13, Gov. C. L. “Butch” Otter signed an order declaring a drought emergency for Owyhee County in order to allow temporary water rights changes to bring relief to those severely affected by the drought conditions.

The order allows for temporary changes in and exchanges of water rights as approved by the director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources. The declaration expires on Dec. 31, unless extended or terminated by the IDWR.

The order cited a combination of very little precipitation in the past three months, below normal annual precipitation, dried-up water sources, a forecast for June through September inflows to Owyhee Reservoir to be less than 30 percent of normal, and low current storage — all of which add up to a below-normal water supply necessitating relief measures.

The order had been signed and forwarded to the governor by the IDWR on Aug. 9 in response to a resolution by the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners

on Aug. 6 calling for a Declaration of Disaster caused by Drought, which would allow for assistance from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Authorities continue study of Murphy fire's impact

Today is final day to apply for EQIP incentives to rest burned rangeland

The effects of the devastating Murphy Complex Fire are beginning to materialize for those who have been enlisted to begin the recovery.

Owyhee County Natural Resources Committee director Jim Desmond cautioned that the rehabilitation of the area is complicated because the more than 650,000 acres lies in three different counties spanning two states and two federal agencies.

"I haven't seen it to this degree since I started working for the county," Desmond said of the swath cut by the fires.

Desmond began in the county assessor's office in 1997 before he quit and was hired on a consulting basis to head up the NRC.

More than 400,000 acres burned by the Murphy fire are in Owyhee County, Desmond said. It has been his job to coordinate with ranchers in an attempt to assess the damage and come up with a price tag to go along with the disaster declaration approved by Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter.

It's all part of developing a rehabilitation plan for the area. A plan must be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management state office by the end of this week. The fire was contained late on Aug. 3, and Desmond said plans are required 21 days after containment.

Desmond has been in contact with ranchers to find out the extent of their losses, including forage, fences, livestock, buildings and rangeland improvements.

No solid figures are available yet for the total property loss, but Desmond said that 400 to 500 animals were lost in the Murphy Complex Fire. That figure includes cattle, horses and sheep, he said.

"The overall price tag on the impact of the fires will take

a while to collect and sort by affected county, state and by private-state-federal ownership,” Desmond wrote in an e-mail.

Other structural losses include a historic wooden post office located between Bruneau and Jarbidge, historic cabins and corrals and fences.

“The tally of lost fences and other range improvements is still being done and will likely result in many miles of lost fencing that will need to be replaced,” Desmond wrote early in the process.

On Wednesday, Desmond said that 1,500 miles of “regular” fencing had been lost on land managed by the BLM. He said that the cost for fencing in non-Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) — if it is replaced by federal crews — is \$9,000 per mile. If the replacement takes place in a WSA, the cost jumps to \$11,000 per mile.

A pool of \$400,000 in Environmental Quality Incentives Program funds is available through the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service to help ranchers buy feed, repair fencing and watering facilities and rent additional pasture. Today is the deadline to apply for that federal funding, which will provide ranchers \$11 per acre in incentives to allow the burned areas to recover naturally by deferring grazing in the affected areas through Oct. 1, 2008. The money must be used for operation restoration.

Richard Sims, an NRCS state conservationist, said in a release that a second registration period in the fall can be anticipated to provide the same opportunity for ranchers affected by other wildfires from this year.

Naturally resting the land may be the only practical way to bring

the rangeland back.

Desmond said he had heard "rough estimates" that the re-seeding of the burned rangeland would cost \$20 million.

That price tag may not be the only prohibitive aspect of trying to reseed the area that covers Owyhee and Twin Falls counties in Idaho and Elko County in Nevada.

Much of the rehabilitation would be done through drill-seeding, Desmond said. There are only 50 drill-seed machines available throughout Idaho, and each machine is capable of seeding approximately 1,000 acres.

There has been talk of a shortage of sagebrush seed because of earlier fires in the West, but Desmond said that might not be as pressing an issue as the lack of machinery to apply the seed.

"The limiting factor on reseedling won't be the amount of seed available but rather the number of drills," Desmond said.

Finally, Desmond said that the Idaho Department of Fish and Game is studying the impact the habitat loss will have on hunting seasons.

The Nevada Department of Wildlife is concerned that migratory wildlife could move into forage areas and find their food source gone. That development has authorities warning that wildlife could move downhill north toward the Snake River and into more populated areas used for agriculture, thus increasing the possibility of animal depredation of crops.

— JPB

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Farm supply store opens in Homedale
Producers Supply Co-Op opened an Owyhee County location during fair week earlier this month. The store is open Monday through Saturday on a frontage road next to U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale.

Producers Supply’s Owyhee location opens

Homedale’s business community expanded earlier this month when Producers Supply Co-Op opened its doors. The store, which also has locations in Parma and Nampa, opened Aug. 6 to coincide with the start of the 2007 Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo. It’s located at 3441 Hwy. 95 on a frontage road that runs parallel to U.S. Highway 95. The store manager is Homedale resident Rita McFarlane, and she

said the outlet employs three workers. Store hours are from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. No grand opening date has been set, but McFarlane expects festivities sometime next month. McFarlane said the store sells feed and farm supplies, siphon tubes, water troughs, stove pellets and livestock vaccines as well as supplies for small animals, such as dogs and cats.

HHS Class of ’44 plans reunion

The Homedale High School Class of 1944 will hold its 63rd reunion next month. The event is scheduled for 1 p.m. Sept. 2 at City Park. Reunion organizers invite

members from the Homedale graduating classes before and after the Class of 1944 to attend as well. For more information, call 896-4004.




The Hair Depot celebrates a new-ownership grand opening
Helene Hannus, left, new owner of The Hair Depot & Healing Energies Massage, tests the scent of a lotion sample while former owner and current employee Chris Devinaspre uses another lotion to massage the hand of salon nail tech Stephanie Mason. The trio is pictured at one of several tables set up in front of the salon at the outdoor grand opening celebration on Saturday.

New owner of The Hair Depot is ‘meant to be’ in Homedale

Helene Hannus talked about her passions on Saturday. The new owner of The Hair Depot & Healing Energies Massage, Hannus was talking about her business at its new-ownership grand opening celebration. “The relationships with my clients are a passion for me,” she said. “Some people say that you should keep a professional distance, but I’m just not that kind of person. “I like my salon to be based on relationships with my clients and not just getting people in and out.

I can do that here. I can be more personable. I can actually have a relationship with my clients.” It is this focus on relationships that brought about the sale of the business, according to previous owner Chris Devinaspre. “That’s why I chose her,” Devinaspre said. Now a Nampa realtor, Devinaspre explained that client relationships have been very important to her in her time as owner of the business. Although she sold the salon because she needed to devote more time to her new career, she will continue to work at the shop part-time.

a variety of hair care products, lotions, etc., along with several gift certificates for salon services that were given away in a drawing at the end of the day. Winners were: Robin Aberasturi, Teresa Baker, Rebecca Baker, Mary Burman, Mike Callahan, Kristin Cox, Janette Gomez, Chelsea Handerson, Christie Handerson, Tina Miller and Kathy Prater. Hannus, who is originally from Burley, has worked in salons for the past six years. This is the first shop she has owned. While she enjoys providing all of the services available at the salon, massage is closest to her heart. “Detoxifying people and making people healthy is my passion,” Hannus said. She explained that she had apprenticed under a holistic health practitioner for two years before undergoing 600 hours of training to become a licensed massage therapist. The detoxification is done by massaging pressure points and lymph nodes, which causes the lymphatic system to drain. Hannus offers an introductory 60-minute massage for \$35, with subsequent 1-hour massages costing \$45. “Everyone needs to have the toxins removed from their body, and I offer a special price so people will try it,” she said. “They really feel better after the massage.” Hannus, who currently lives in Nampa, has long-term plans to stay in Homedale. “I love the people. I love my clients,” she said. “A lot of my clients (from Nampa) are coming out here now. By next school year, we’ll be out here. I think this is where I’m meant to be.”



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“The clients) go through a lot, and you’re there for them. And you go through a lot, and they’re there for you,” Devinaspre said, describing the mutual caring that develops between operator and longtime clients. “She (Hannus) is going to have a lot of grandmas.” The Hair Depot is located at 102 E. Wyoming Ave., across from Paul’s Market in Homedale. The shop has been there for the past three years, and it was on Idaho Avenue for seven years prior to moving to the current location. The salon offers a full range of services, including hair care, nail care, manicures, pedicures, body wraps, tanning, waxing and massage services. Along with Hannus and Devinaspre, Stephanie Wade works at the shop as a nail tech. Hannus’ husband, Dave, worked a grill at the outdoor grand opening, providing plenty of food for the guests. A bouncy castle kept the children entertained, while displays of soaps, lotions, and the salon’s newest product, scented candles from Oregon Street Candles lined tables on the lawn in front of the shop. On one table were a number of colorful baskets containing

Trojans band kicks up the volume with camp

Music director continues to shape program with drills, colorguard

Karla Kachelmier organized a band camp for the weeks prior to the start of school — much like the Homedale High School football team. And the similarities didn't end there.

As she enters her second year as Homedale School District music director, Kachelmier is looking for an intensity from her musicians that new coach Rob Kassebaum undoubtedly seeks from his football players.

"Most marching bands require marching band camp because the progress and focus that occurs during that stretch of time is rarely matched during the school year, especially with the school's calendar demanding so much of our kids," Kachelmier said.

"Camp sets a standard — raises the bar just a little higher."

Kachelmier said the four-day camp, which ended Thursday, was a success and that the benefits will reverberate with an improved program.

She said the marching band is the primary focus during the first part of the school year. The band — which for the first time will be comprised by seventh-graders through high school seniors — will perform at most home football games as well as compete in the Battle of the Marching Machines in Ontario, Ore., and possibly the Eagle High School Marching Invitational.

And she is certain that the core of the band program is on the right course for the season.

"The kids who showed up every day this week worked their little rears off," she said. "We are a young, inexperienced group, but the morale is good."

"We're heading in the right direction, and if the work continues our kids are going to have a reason to feel proud of themselves."

Kachelmier wasn't alone in trying to grind off the rough edges of the middle school and high school musicians who have bought into her plan.

Thursday, Boise State Univer-

sity graduate music student Spencer Martin, dropped in to hold a drum line clinic.

The former band director at the University of Idaho, Martin took time Thursday afternoon to huddle with four drummers ranging in grade level from seventh grade to 10th grade.

"You guys help effect the attitude of that band," Martin said to kick off a session that saw him cover proper technique, grips, conduct and etiquette.

The four students — sophomores Jacob McAbee and Preston Stevenson, eighth-grader Angel Salazar and seventh-grader Corby Schamber — snapped up Martin's guidance to form a cohesion that is required from all drum lines.

Martin said the wide age gap actually could help strengthen the drum line down the road, which is vital because the corps is the backbone and engine of the entire group.

"I think it's cool there is such a diversity of age because you don't get that in a lot of bands," he said. "It forces the younger ones to raise up a little, and it forces the older students to improve their teaching ability."

Kachelmier said Martin's visit was beneficial.

"Spencer Martin is a fantastic instructor and clinician because he relates well with kids and can meet them at their level," Kachelmier said. "The percussionists who showed up for camp this week showed huge strides, and I think Spencer's clinic on Thursday was extremely valuable for our kids."

Overall, the Homedale band has a distinctive younger flavor. After graduating four seniors in the spring, there is just one senior this year.

"The high school numbers are down, but the morale is good," Kachelmier said. "We're a relatively young group. We don't have many high school kids out for band right now."

The picture was much different



Homedale band gets direction during camp

Above: Sophomore Katie Holloway conducts the Homedale band during a camp last week at the high school. Band members Holloway and Preston Stevenson attended last month's Boise State University Cavalcade Camp with director Karla Kachelmier. **Below:** Kachelmier instructs Homedale Middle School student Marissa Fernandez on the trombone.

for the middle school musicians. Kachelmier said 35 seventh-graders and 11 eighth-graders registered for the camp, but that number fell by the time the event rolled around. She said she wrote a routine for 55 musicians before the start of camp, and the clinic averaged about 30 students per day.

The camp schedule included developing marching fundamentals for the largely inexperienced group. Kachelmier said the rehearsals included two hours of fundamentals and two hours of music rehearsals. The rehearsals, she said, targeted learning the correct notes and memorization.

Kachelmier said that along with the growth of the program comes the continued needs of keeping the band on the field — as well as molding the colorguard.

Fundraisers will begin soon, she said, and the program is seeking volunteers to help with hemming and other alterations once band uniforms are fitted.

Karolyn Munster is serving



as the colorguard advisor, and Kachelmier said any girls in grades 6-12 interested in participating should contact Munster at the Homedale Community Center or Kachelmier at either the middle school or the high school.

"As with our entire band and

choral program, we are trying to rebuild our colorguard," Kachelmier said. "Some colorguard members attended camp this week, as well."

"We're learning fundamentals and trying to bring some more excitement to the show."

— JPB

Kitfox airplane enthusiasts plan Homedale 'fly-in'

The Homedale Airport likely will experience an influx of air traffic during the Labor Day weekend for the first Kitfox Factory Fly-In.

Kitfox owner John McBean completed the transfer of his manufacturing plant from Caldwell to Homedale earlier this year, and he will use the fly-in to attract customers and potential customers for his business.

He expects upwards of 20 planes and between 50 and 100 people to visit the airport for the fly-in.

"We want to try to show what benefit the airport could be to the

community," McBean said. "A perfect example is if we had a hotel, it would be booked."

"I know several people that will come to Homedale to see the factory and talk to the builders."

McBean cautioned that the event shouldn't be confused with an air show. It's more of a club event with owners of Kitfoxes and similar private aircraft flying in for the weekend.

"It's an event for our customers," he said. "If people are interested in the Kitfox, we encourage them to come at that time to talk to the other owners."

Safety is a big reason McBean

is calling the fly-in a club event and not a public happening. There are few controls and barriers separating the airport from the runway or taxiway, and anyone who is at the event must be mindful that they are in an "airport environment," as McBean puts it, where aircraft have the right-of-way.

"You've got to be extraordinarily careful for a lot of different reasons," he said.

"We don't have the security. There's no fence, and we don't want people driving on the runway."

While arrivals are expected on

Aug. 31, the event doesn't kick off until Sept. 1 with a morning breakfast for the pilots and their guests followed by a poker run.

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce will serve a lunch of hot dogs and hamburgers as a fund-raiser. McBean said a price has yet to be announced.

Fly-in participants are scheduled to depart on a pleasure flight in the afternoon and will return to the

Kitfox facility for dinner.

The Sept. 2 schedule includes breakfast and interaction with the Kitfox factory staff and other Kitfox owners.

McBean said that even though the event is primarily a commercial event, he foresees a day when it could be a great attraction for the town.

— JPB

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Owyhee County Fair wrap-up



Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Parade winners

Sweepstakes Award: Mountain View Church of the Nazarene
Commercial Division

First place: Alliance Title

Second place: Paul's Market

Third place: Donna's Daycare

Community/Non-Profit Division

First place: Dust Devils 4-H Club

Second place: Homedale High School Cheerleaders

Third place: Homedale High School Football Team

Cars

First place: Jon and Amelia Brown

Second place: Kent Curtis

Third place: Dean and Marion Vance

Note — A comprehensive list of winners in the horse divisions was not available for publication.



Fair Parade winners on display

Counter-clockwise from top: Amelia Brown appears to be driving the winning entry in the Cars Division — a 1957 Chervolet Bel-Air 4-door hardtop. The vehicle was actually driven by Amelia's father, Jon Brown; The float by Donna's Daycare features alphabet blocks and unusual hair colors and won third place in the Commercial Division; The float by Paul's Market earned second place in the Commercial Division.

A Fair-ly prominent display of the Red, White and Blue

The Treasure Valley Leather Slappers form a line with flags flying during the drill team competition at the Owyhee County Fair on Aug. 11. The Leather Slappers finished second behind the Idaho Gems in both the parade and High Point-Freestyle/Parade total portions of the competition.



Jordan Valley man dies in crash near Cambridge

A 77-year-old Jordan Valley man died in a single-vehicle crash on U.S. Highway 95 near Cambridge in Washington County on Friday afternoon.

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Clayton Wilson was driving a 1992 Dodge pickup southbound on U.S. 95 when he went off the right side of the road, overcorrected across both lanes of traffic and rolled, landing in an irrigation canal. Wilson, who was wearing a seat belt, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Idaho State Police had no further details at press time.

Fight at county jail results in citations, two arrests

The wife and girlfriend of a man being held at the Owyhee County Jail were involved in an altercation on Aug. 13 after they arrived to visit him at the same time.

According to dispatch and sheriff's reports, Erica Hernandez, 25, of Wilder, wife of Alfredo Castro, 26, of Homedale, was cited for disturbing the peace and battery for her involvement in a fight with Lacy Hartman, 20, of Nampa.

Hartman was cited for dis-

turbing the peace and arrested on an outstanding Nampa Police Department contempt of court warrant for failing to complete a 10-day jail sentence for leaving the scene of an accident.

The battery citation for Hernandez was for inciting the inci-



Lacy Hartman

dent, according to Sheriff Gary Aman.

Castro was in the facility on a felony charge of delivery of a controlled substance.

On Aug. 14, Sandra Hartman, 49, of Nampa was arrested on an outstanding Canyon County warrant while visiting her daughter, Lacy, at the jail.

"We get a lot of arrests from people visiting inmates," Aman said. "It happens a lot."

— RTH



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Owyhee County Fair wrap-up

Junior livestock auction grosses \$200,000

Young swine producers sell 100 animals at record-setting event

The recent record-setting ways of the Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale continued at this year's fair in Homedale.

According to numbers provided by the sale committee, 188 animals sold during the Aug. 11 event, which is a record for the period since the rules were changed to prohibit exhibitors from selling two animals per year.

Only three sales since 1991 had seen more animals sold, and all three of those events allowed two animals per youth.

The young sellers have grossed more than \$200,000 with add-ons still trickling into the sales office.

The sales numbers have risen steadily since 2004, which committee staff says illustrates the need to finish the livestock barn expansion. This year's 188 animals eclipsed last year's 171 figure, and represent an increase

of nearly 50 animals in three years.

The 2007 sale grossed \$160,075 with more than \$45,000 in add-ons reported last week with more expected.

The largest number of animals sold was swine, with 100. Fifty-eight sheep and 30 beef also were sold.

The beef averaged \$1.31 per pound, which was down from 2006, but higher than two years ago.

The sheep average of \$5.08 per pound set another all-time record, and swine was up 34 cents from 2004 at \$2.77 per pound.

Even with 100 pigs, the average sale price per animal was \$708.

Sales staff commended the auctioneers on another great job at the sale, and said the sale committee and volunteers in the sale ring made the auction run smoothly.



Swine sales reach century mark

Wyatt Helm guides his swine through the show arena during the Aug. 11 junior livestock sale.

Homedale woman honored at fair for 4-H service

Homedale resident Jan Aman was the recipient of the 4-H Distinguished Service Award at this year's Owyhee County Fair.

Aman received the award from University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office educator Scott Jensen during the 4-H awards ceremony at the Tumbleweed Theatre on Aug. 10.

The award recognizes

outstanding dedication and support for the Owyhee County 4-H program. Aman was nominated by other 4-H leaders and the extension office staff.

Aman has served as an organizational leader, and as a horse project and sheep project leader for the Owyhee Silver Spurs 4-H Club for 10 years.

She also has served on committees to help with various

4-H fund-raisers and activities throughout the years.

Three years ago, she began taking pictures of market animals at the Owyhee County Fair Junior Livestock Sale.

Aman has been a county demonstration judge, and also has judged horse record books.

She is an Advanced Master Gardener through a program with the University of Idaho and also holds a certificate for Junior Master Gardener facilitator.

She serves as a resource leader for the after-school and summer programs at the Marsing Elementary School.

Aman also is active with the Owyhee Garden Club, which was formed in 2005, and has worked with several projects the club has undertaken in cooperation with Owyhee Community Garden.

The Owyhee Community Garden is a cooperative effort between the Marsing School District, Owyhee County 4-H, Marsing FFA, the Owyhee Garden Club and the Nampa Garden Club.



4-H honors photographer, project leader

Owyhee County Extension educator Scott Jensen, right, and Homedale resident Jan Aman smile after she was presented with this year's 4-H Distinguished Service Award at the Owyhee County Fair earlier this month. Submitted photo

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Owyhee County Fair wrap-up

‘Chance’ pays off for Beef grand champion

Kershner wins top prize in final year, qualifies for state round robin

“Chance.” It was a prophetic name for Bailey Kershner’s steer as she began her final Owyhee County Fair season in 4-H.

Actually, Kershner’s mother, Teresa, was the one who pasted the moniker on Kershner’s 2007 steer.

“Bailey, who in the world would name her calf Chance?” Beef superintendent Bev White asked during the weigh-in at the fairgrounds.

“Well, it’s his last chance and my last chance,” Kershner answered.

The chance paid off.

Kershner was Beef showmanship champion and parlayed that into the John Malmberg Memorial Champion Round Robin Showperson title.

That victory qualified her for the large animal round robin competition at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Western Idaho Fair in Garden City.

“It was a good way to end the 4-H experience,” Kershner said of her county round robin victory.

The 18-year-old Kershner, who has spent nine years as a member of the South Mountain Livestock 4-H Club formed by her mother, also won the Livestock Sportsmanship Award. Her brother, Bryce, won the sportsmanship award for boys.

White and Judith McShane of the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office called attention to Bailey Kershner’s

“My Story” in her record book as another aspect of the Jordan Valley High School graduate’s march to victory.

“When the judges looked at the record book, they said, ‘This kid really gets the program,’ “ White said.

“Money isn’t the big thing,” White said, alluding to the junior livestock sale. “The money is there for a short time, but the friendships are what last for a lifetime.”

McShane said that Kershner’s impressive record book entry was read to the audience during the junior livestock sale on Aug. 11 at the Livestock Arena.

“Bailey is a great girl and seems to really ‘get’ what 4-H is all about,” McShane said.

Kershner’s steer sold during an auction at which the average price for beef was \$1,700, she said.

If you ask a lot of kids why they’re in 4-H, or why they take a project to the fair, I’ll bet you 80 percent of them will tell you because of the money,” she wrote in the conclusion of her “My Story” record book entry.

“What they don’t even realize is that money is not even on the top of their list for doing it. In all honesty, it’s because of the friends and the memories they get every year at the fair, and all the work you put into your project pays out way more than simply a check at the end.

“All the money I’ve made over



Exhibitor goes out on top

Bailey Kershner of South Mountain Livestock 4-H Club won the large animal round robin and grand champion showmanship awards in her final year at the Owyhee County Fair. Photo by Jan Aman

nine years won’t last forever, but all the fun I’ve had and the friends and memories I’ve made makes me a very rich person.”

Kershner said she reached the pinnacle through hard work this year. Even though serving on the Mustangs’ 1A Oregon state tournament girls basketball team took away from her early preparations for the fair season, Kershner said she made up for lost time later on.

And she also had her younger brother, 15-year-old Bryce, to thank for picking up the routine when she was on the road with the basketball squad.

“You just work with them on Sunday when you’re home,” she said. “The lack of time was tough, and that’s where I have to thank my brother a lot, too.

“He took care of him a lot when I was gone.”

Even with the lack of time during basketball season, Kershner said she rededicated herself to the project this year because it was her last go-round.

“I think what happens a lot is that as you get older you procrastinate a lot and don’t work with the animal as much as you should,” she said.

She said constant work walking

the steer and honing its show presence is vital to successful seasons. Kershner also pointed out that the arena work goes a long way toward tempering the animal’s attitude and making it more attractive to the livestock judge when showtime rolls around.

“We worked with them a lot more when we first got them and made sure they were more gentle when we first weighed them in March instead of waiting until July and a month before the fair to start doing stuff,” Kershner said.

— JPB

4-H/FFA organizers reveal more fair award winners

The final 4-H/FFA awards from the 2007 Owyhee County Fair were announced last week.

In the Beef awards, Jessica Will won the 4-H award and Chris Hipwell was the FFA recipient.

Wilson Butte 4-H had the highest number of demonstrations.

Kellie Barraza was the top Junior I Ag Demonstrator and won the Junior I Family Consumer Services Demonstrator

championship.

Esteban Lejardi won Junior II demonstrator. Barraza also won the Junior I Family Consumer Services Demonstrator championship.

Sammie Bass won the Intermediate Ag Demonstrator award, and JD Prow led the Senior Ag Demonstrator competition.

Josie Grim and Wesley Grim won the Team Demonstration award.

UI offers pasture workshop for ranchers

The University of Idaho Extension next month will present a workshop to help livestock producers manage irrigated pastures to increase the productivity of their livestock and forage.

The four-day Lost Rivers Academy will be held Sept. 11-14 at the Nancy M. Cummings Research, Extension and Education Center north of Salmon.

Registration deadline for the

class, which costs \$450 per person, is Sept. 4. The fee includes meals and all materials. Farmers and ranchers who register as part of a management team pay \$450 for the first team member and \$225 for each additional member.

For more information, call Extension educator Scott Jensen in the Owyhee County office in Marsing at (208) 896-4104.

The academy is taught by Ex-

tension faculty and grazing lands consultant Jim Gerrish of American Grazing Lands Services LLC, which is based in May.

The workshop will focus on management-intensive grazing on irrigated pasture. Participants apply low-stress cattle-handling techniques and find out how to reduce their winter feed costs by stockpiling standing forage and drawing their livestock’s “fat banks.”

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Before

After

Bring the Big Game Home!



World champion quarterback Joe Theismann and champion pitmaster Chris Lilly share tips for the ultimate backyard tailgate

FAMILY FEATURES

Just because you don't have tickets to this week's most talked about football match-up doesn't mean you can't enjoy yourself on game day. Why not use the opportunity to fire up the barbecue, gather friends and family, and bring the tailgating party home? Chris Lilly, champion pitmaster and owner of Big Bob Gibson Bar-B-Q in Decatur, Ala., says the key to a successful backyard tailgate is a winning game plan. "I like to do as much as I can prior to game day so that when my guests arrive, I am free to enjoy myself," said Lilly. "Easy steps such as marinating meat the night before, preparing a checklist of necessary items to avoid last minute trips

to the market, and choosing simple recipes make all the difference when you are trying to catch the first quarter." World champion quarterback and restaurateur, Joe Theismann, says he has spent some of his favorite game days in his own backyard. "Tailgating at home gives you the ultimate home field advantage," said Theismann. "The grill is always going, the glasses are always topped off, and there is always room for a quick game of pickup football between family and friends." For an even more authentic game day experience, create a menu featuring recipes that incorporate the flavors and ingredients of each

team's hometown. When the University of Notre Dame takes the field this year, Theismann will be firing up Luck O' the Irish Lamb Chops to honor his alma mater. Meanwhile, Alabama native Lilly will grill Smoked Chicken With Alabama White Sauce over a bed of Kingsford Charcoal while cheering on the University of Auburn. For more ways to bring the tailgate home, including additional tips and game day recipe match-ups, visit www.MealsTogether.com. While there, share your go-to plays, including charcoal grilling recipe secrets and strategies, for a chance to win great prizes during college football season.

Winning Game Plan

For a successful backyard tailgate, execute the following key plays:

- **Score an Early First Down.** Marinate meat the night prior to game day, using a large Glad Storage Bag for even and easy coating.
- **Create a Burger Blitz.** For a better game day burger, poke a small hole in the center of the patty. This will stop the meat from rising in the center, allowing for a delicious, evenly-cooked burger. For extra flavor, try adding a bit of KC Masterpiece Barbecue Sauce.
- **Avoid Pass Interference.** Make sure there is a radio or small television by the grill and in the kitchen so you don't miss any of the action.
- **Pack the Stands.** To really draw a crowd, add a bit of Kingsford Charcoal with Mesquite to your grill — neighbors won't be able to resist the rich, earthy smell of the charcoal fire. Before you know it, your yard will feel a bit like a stadium parking lot.
- **Take It Into Overtime.** To really regulate cooking temperature, use two grills: on the larger grill, create hot and cool zones to rotate your meat from searing to indirect cooking; on the smaller grill, create a normal fire and cook hors d'oeuvres and desserts.

Luck O' the Irish Lamb Chops With Minty Ranch Dipping Sauce

Created by football analyst, world championship quarterback and restaurateur Joe Theismann on behalf of Kingsford Charcoal

Lamb Chops are one of the easiest and quickest meats to grill and one of the tastiest. A quick spice rub and you are ready to grill. Pick up a second rack for a heftier serving.

Makes: 4 servings
Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 8 minutes

- 1 tablespoon cinnamon
 - 1 tablespoon cumin
 - 1 tablespoon salt
 - 1 rack of lamb, cut into 8 chops
 - Juice of half a lime
- Dipping Sauce
- 2 cups plain yogurt, drained
 - 1 tablespoon fresh mint, chopped
 - 1 package Hidden Valley The Original Ranch Dips mix
 - Chopped fresh mint



Combine spices in small bowl and rub half over lamb chops. Turn over lamb chops and rub in other half of spice mix. Prepare charcoal grill and place each chop directly over hot charcoal. Grill 4 minutes; turn each over and grill another 3 minutes. Remove from heat and allow to rest. Squeeze lime juice over chops and serve with dipping sauce. To make dipping sauce, combine yogurt, mint and dip mix and keep in refrigerator until ready to serve. Place a dollop of dip on each plate of lamb chops. Garnish with chopped fresh mint.

Smoked Chicken With Alabama White Sauce

Created by champion pitmaster Chris Lilly on behalf of Kingsford Charcoal

Southerners like their food with a little (or a lot) of spice, and Alabama is no exception. Chicken breasts are brined, smoked and dunked into a tangy, peppery Alabama white sauce. This multi-step process insures moistness of the meat and a complex, layered flavor.

Makes: 8 servings
Prep time: 15 minutes plus 1 hour for marinade
Cook time: 12 minutes

- 8 chicken breasts, boneless and skinless
- Brine
- 1 cup water
 - 1 cup apple juice
 - 1 tablespoon salt
 - 1/4 tablespoon garlic powder
 - 1 tablespoon honey
 - 1/2 tablespoon dark brown sugar
 - 1/2 tablespoon soy sauce
 - 1/2 tablespoon lemon juice
- Alabama White Sauce
- 1 cup mayonnaise
 - 1/2 cup vinegar
 - 1/4 cup apple juice
 - 1 teaspoon prepared horseradish
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon black pepper

1 teaspoon lemon juice
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper

In medium bowl add brine ingredients and mix well. Place chicken breasts in brine and refrigerate 1 hour. Remove chicken breasts from brine and wipe off excess salt. In small bowl add Alabama White Sauce ingredients and mix well. Preheat charcoal grill to 400°F. Place chicken breasts on hot grate over direct heat 5 to 6 minutes on each side. Remove chicken breasts from grill when golden brown and firm to the touch. The internal temperature of chicken breasts should be 160°F. Submerge each chicken breast into bowl of Alabama White Sauce. Remove from sauce and serve.



Rimrock football, volleyball ready to roll

Avalanche Sports

Adrian grad signs with ACI softball

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2007

Trojans football searching for quarterback

Homedale High School might have a new football coach, but the Trojans will open the 2007 season Friday in a familiar position. As Rob Kassebaum prepares for his first game as coach — with

non-conference foe Melba playing host to a 7 p.m. game Friday — the quarterback spot is up in the air. This time, though, it's Joey Cline who is hurt. Last year, he was pressed into service when Trevor

Krzesnik went down with an injury during a 3A Snake River Valley conference loss to Fruitland. Cline separated his shoulder during a tackling drill during two-a-days, and Kassebaum is faced

with making a decision at signal-caller between senior Eric Engum and sophomore Ryan Ryska. The decision will come later this week, but both Engum and Ryska will get snaps Friday, the

coach said. Cline, meanwhile, will be sidelined at least two more weeks, the coach said.

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Height will key Homedale
Junior outside hitter Haylie Freelove, at 5-foot-11 the tallest player on the Homedale High School volleyball team this year, hammers home a point during a scrimmage last week.

New Homedale volleyball coach seeks aggression

Hann sets sights on ending Trojans' quarter-century state title drought

David Hann has a philosophy when it comes to playing volleyball — spare nothing. The new Homedale High School volleyball coach may seem mild-mannered and easy-going, but there's a beast lurking that he wants to project onto his squad this season.

"I want them to be aggressive," he said of his new charges.

"I'm not worried about them putting it into the net or putting a hole in the wall."

With apologies to the maintenance crew at the Homedale School District, Hann's approach is aimed at lighting a fire under the Trojans program.

"My goal is State, but we have a lot of bridges to cross before we get there," he said.

There may be a ton of work ahead for the Trojans, but Hann's outlook and desire probably was just as big of a factor in his hiring as anything else.

He knew his major goal when he walked into the Homedale gymnasium for the first time as the school's head coach and gazed at the banners hanging from the

rafters, especially the Trojans' 2A volleyball state championship flag from 1980.

"That's too long of a time," he said. "We're going to take it a step at a time and a game at a time and build."

The Trojans began building with the start of pre-season practice. Hann essentially wiped the slate clean when he held open tryouts.

"They were nervous," he said of the upper-classmen. "I put a lot of pressure on the juniors and seniors, and they were worried about getting cut."

Hann said the freshmen and sophomores pushed the veteran players, creating a difficult yet enviable job for his assistant coaches — Homedale graduates Taci Morris (freshmen) and Jenni Hall (junior varsity).

"Taci is going to have 13 to 15 freshmen to weed out for the varsity program," Hann said.

"We have a good sophomore group. Our JV will be tough to beat."



David Hann

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Clow, Olsen top huge local team roping field

The revamped Owyhee County Rodeo didn't only attract a slew of professional cowboys earlier this month. The local events were well attended, too.

Forty-one teams entered the local team roping competition, in which one team member must reside in Owyhee County.

Eric Clow and Ed Olsen rose above the fray, winning custom-made Frontier buckles, after a winning performance of 9.5 seconds.

But the more things changed, the more

they stayed the same at the rodeo, which was held Aug. 8-11 during the Owyhee County Fair in Homedale.

More Bayes family members staked their claim to the wild horse racing championship. Wayne Bayes and Justen Bayes joined Eldon Winslow to capture the race in 1 minute, 36.59 seconds. The trio beat a team comprised of Oliver Stentzel, Louie Gillette and Riley Stringer by nearly 3 seconds for the top prize. Each winning rider won \$145; second place paid \$96.66 apiece.

Cody Baird's consistency paid off in the ranch bronc riding competition. He pulled off a pair of 79-point rides to win the Frank Maher Memorial custom belt buckle.

Baird had the top ride of the long go, edging Mountain Home's Jarrod Roberson by a point. In the Saturday short go, Cody Allred grabbed the best ride with an 81, but Baird's 79 was good enough to put him on top of the overall heap.

Baird won more than \$1,300 for his efforts. Allred took home \$676.80 for

winning the short go on Aug. 11.

The wild cow milking contest was as close as can be. A dozen teams entered, and two notched exact 1:40.79 times.

But the duo of Kiley Clemens and Tom Richards were awarded the first-place prize of \$172.50 apiece over Cody Echevarria and James Hite. The runners-up split \$207.

In mutton busting, Carter Menchaca outpaced the field with his 75-point ride. Cody Christoffersen was second with a 71.

Sports

Fishing report

From Idaho Fish and Game and Oregon Fish and Wildlife
C.J. Strike Reservoir — Smallmouth bass fishing will get tougher with summer temperatures. Fish deeper with soft plastics or diving baits. Drop-shotting near deep water is an excellent method. Perch and crappie fishing continues to be very good, with fish generally near structure in 15-30 feet of water. Try small jigs tipped with worms or cut bait. If you catch a

couple, stay focused on that area since perch tend to school up near structure. Focus on bluegill and an occasional largemouth along brushy shorelines and shallow coves near cover. For bluegill, try suspending a small piece of worm or a small wet fly (like a hare’s ear or prince nymph) below a small bobber. Best catfishing is in the Snake and Bruneau arms.
Snake River from C.J. Strike Dam to Brownlee Reservoir

— This stretch of the river has float boat and jet boat access, and many bank fishing access sites. The primary fishery is for smallmouth bass and channel catfish, and sturgeon lurk in some of the deeper holes below Strike and Swan Falls dams. A few largemouth bass and panfish can be found in backwaters around Payette and Weiser.
Owyhee Reservoir — This fishery yields largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, black crappie, yellow perch and catfish. The

reservoir was 36 percent full Aug. 12. The boat ramp at the state park and Leslie Gulch are out of the water and no longer in service. The rest of the boat ramps are in the water. Angling is fair. Check with the Bureau of Land Management’s Vale District office for current road closures.
Lower Owyhee River — The river is good for brown trout and hatchery rainbow trout. Flows below the dam averaged about 235 cubic feet per second on Aug.12. Angling for rainbow trout

and brown trout is good. The river was stocked with rainbow trout fingerling from the gingerbread house downstream to the concrete bridge the last week of May. The river upstream of the power lines was stocked with large fingerlings on July 17.
Upper Owyhee River — Anglers are bringing in smallmouth bass and channel catfish. Discharge at the Rome, Ore., gauge averaged approximately 79 cfs on aug. 12. Angling for bass and catfish is fair to good.

SCOREBOARD

PREP STANDINGS						1A, Div. I		Conf.		All	
Football								W	L	W	L
3A SRV	Conf.		All								
	W	L	W	L							
Fruitland	0	0	0	0		Cascade		0	0	0	0
Homedale	0	0	0	0		Council		0	0	0	0
McCall-Donnelly	0	0	0	0		Horseshoe Bend		0	0	0	0
Payette	0	0	0	0		Idaho City		0	0	0	0
Weiser	0	0	0	0		Rimrock		0	0	0	0
Friday's games (Season openers)						Tri-Valley		0	0	0	0
Homedale at Melba						Wilder		0	0	0	0
Emmett at Weiser						Friday's games (Season openers)					
						Notus at Rimrock					
						Salmon River at Council					
						Prairie at Horseshoe Bend					
2A WIC	Conf.		All			High Desert		W	L	W	L
	W	L	W	L							
Cole Valley Chr.	0	0	0	0		Adrian		0	0	0	0
Marsing	0	0	0	0		Burnt River		0	0	0	0
Melba	0	0	0	0		Crane		0	0	0	0
Nampa Christian	0	0	0	0		Harper-Hunt.		0	0	0	0
New Plymouth	0	0	0	0		Jordan Valley		0	0	0	0
Parma	0	0	0	0		Mon.-Day.		0	0	0	0
Friday's games (Season openers)						Prairie City		0	0	0	0
Homedale at Melba						Spray-Mitchell		0	0	0	0
Cole Valley Christian at Valley						Aug. 31 games					
Nampa Christian at Glenns Ferry						Adrian Jamboree: Adrian, Harper-					
						Huntington, Jordan Valley entered					
						Prairie City at Imbler					
						Durfur 8-man Classic: Perrydale					

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Owyhee County local events results
Team roping — 1. Eric Clow and Ed Olsen, 9.5 seconds
Ranch bronc riding, short go — 1. Cody Allred, 81, \$676.80; 2. Chris Baird, 79, \$406.08; 3. Willy Stoddard, 74, \$170.72
Ranch bronc riding, long go — 1. Baird, 79, \$915.93; 2. Jarrod Roberson, 78, \$758.01; 3. Daniel Richards, 77, \$600.09; 4. Matt Tindall, 76, \$442.17; 5. Matt Rice, 75, \$284.25; 6. (tie) Jake Bigelow, 74, \$39.48; Stoddard, 74, \$39.48; James Norris, 74, \$39.48
Wild cow milking — 1. Kiley Clemens and Tom Richards, 1 minute, 4.7 seconds, \$172.50; 2. Cody Echevarria and James Hite, 1:04.70, \$103.50 each; 3. Ray Swenson and Billy Ireland, 1:10.93, \$69 each
Wild horse race — 1. Wayne Bayes, Justen Bayes and Eldon Winslow, 1:36.39, \$145 each; 2. Oliver Stentzel, Louie Gillette and Riley Stringer, 1:39.56, \$96.66 each
Mutton busting — 1. Carter Menchaca, 75; 2. Cody Christoffersen, 71; 3. William Hamilton, 70; 4. Clayton Symons, 59; 5. Corbin Osborn, 65

Trojan Fall Sports

FOOTBALL

Varsity
Friday, Aug. 24 at Melba, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Aug. 23, home vs. Melba, 7 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Freshman
Tuesday, Aug. 28, home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity
Tuesday, Aug. 28, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m.

Varsity
Tuesday, Aug. 28, home vs. Parma, 7 p.m.

SOCCER

Boys soccer
Varsity — Thursday, Aug. 30 at Fruitland, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity — Thursday, Aug. 30, at Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.

Girls soccer
Varsity — Thursday, Aug. 30, home vs. Fruitland, Sundance Park, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity — Thursday, Aug. 30, home vs. Fruitland, Sundance Park, 4:30 p.m.

CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday, Aug. 30 at New Plymouth Invitational

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Marsing Huskies

FOOTBALL

Varsity — Friday, Aug. 31, home vs. Nyssa, Ore., 7 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Varsity
- Saturday, Aug. 25 at Wilder Tournament
- Tuesday, Aug. 28, home vs. Gem State Adventist, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Tuesday, Aug. 28, home vs. Gem State Adventist, 6 p.m.

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Sports

Adrian graduate Sillonis signs with Albertson softball team

Kat Sillonis missed her senior season for the Adrian High School softball team, but that didn't stop her from moving on to the next level.

Sillonis, who was a catcher with the Antelopes, has signed to play

for Albertson College of Idaho in Caldwell. She missed her senior softball season after injuring her knee during he Antelopes' basketball season.

Sillonis and three others joined the team last week, according to

Coyotes coach Al Mendiola.

Other players joining the fold include Sammy Dodge of Mountain Home, Chelsea Craig of Jerome — both freshmen — and sophomore Nicole Antonopolos, who is transferring from Idaho

State in Pocatello.

After winning the Cascade Conference championship last year, Albertson finished second in the NAIA Region I Tournament. The team was 37-12 and ranked 12th in the final NAIA poll.



Kat Sillonis. Photo by Angie Sillonis

Homedale flag football takes signups

The Homedale City Recreation Board announced recently the formation of the Homedale NFL Flag Football League for first-through fourth-graders.

Registration for the league will be taken from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday and next Wednesday at Homedale Elementary School. Registration forms are available at Homedale City Hall, and the final day to signup for the league is next Wednesday.

The entry fee is \$40 per player. Each participant will receive a NFL team jersey.

The flag football league, the formation of which was urged by new Homedale High School football coach Rob Kassebaum to develop young talent for the Trojans' program, will begin play Sept. 22 at Homedale Middle School. Other towns scheduled to be represented in the league include Adrian, Melba, Wilder, Notus, Greenleaf, Vale, Ore., and Parma.

Games, which will each last about an hour, will be played through Oct. 20.

The league will be divided into a division for first- and second-graders and a division for third- and fourth-graders. Each team will consist of between eight and 10 players, with five players competing for each side on the field.

For more information on NFL Flag Football rules, visit NFLyouthfootball.com.

For more information on the Homedale NFL Flag Football League, contact Brad Dines at brad@bowenandparker.com or (208) 337-6108.

Rimrock football, volleyball to open seasons

The 2007 editions of the Rimrock High School fall sports teams will see their first action this weekend, with the football team hosting Notus on Friday night at 7 in Bruneau, and the volleyball

team competing at the Wilder Tournament on Saturday beginning at 9 a.m.

The football Raiders are led by third-year coach Jim Clark, who led them to a 2006 record of 2-8

overall and 1-5 in 1A Division I. Quarterback T.J. Snyder and running back Ricardo Araujo return.

The Raiders face a Notus team that went 9-1 last season, but the Pirates have lost the majority of

their starters from a year ago.

The Rimrock volleyball team, which finished last year 10-6 overall and 8-4 in league under coach Lonni Smith, ended last season with a sweep of Wilder.

✓ Football: Veterans anchor both lines for Homedale

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Engum recently participated in the Manning Passing Academy this summer at Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, La.

"It helped reinforce some fundamentals," Kassebaum said of the camp presented by the Manning family, including NFL quarterbacks Peyton and Eli and their father, former New Orleans Saints QB Archie.

Whoever quarterbacks the Trojans this season will oversee a scheme that will shift between one-back and two-back sets.

The tailbacks will combine thunder and lightning in returning back Micheal Wilhelm and Rodrigo Villarreal, who burst on the scene as a speedy and opportunistic defensive back a year ago.

Daniel Valadez and Alex Mereness will see time as fullbacks.

Sophomore receiver Trent Acree was tabbed along with Ryska as a key newcomer.

Villarreal, receiver Grant Sweet and linemen Jaime Uriarte and Amador Cortinas return from a team that lost its final three games and finished the 2006 season 5-3 overall. The Trojans lost to McCall-Donnelly in the season finale to miss out on the state playoffs.

Uriarte and Sam Hart will anchor

the offensive line, but Kassebaum said a battle for center is brewing between John Bittick, Mario Gaeta and sophomore Dylan Kushlan.

Uriarte, Wilhelm and Cortinas are defensive line stalwarts with Sweet, Bittick and Wes Taggart vying for a defensive tackle berth.

"Jaime and Wilhelm are both real exceptional," the coach said. "Cortinas has played real well at camps and through doubles, and we're kind of looking for somebody else to step forward in the defensive tackle spot."

Fans will see a new look for those linemen.

"We've gone to an even-front defense, which the kids are getting used to," Kassebaum said. "There probably is not as much blitzing (as the previous two years). It's more reacting, more gap responsibility for the guys up front."

"It's just a different type of discipline of filling the right gap. It'll be a lot more fun for the linemen. They can be a lot more aggressive and will be able to get up the field."

Engum, Hart, Mereness and both Brandon and David Valadez will play linebacker.

Villarreal continues at DB, too.

"He's got a great nose for the ball," Kassebaum said.

— JPB



Coach's daughter wins bicycle

Homedale High School football fans need look no further than new coach Rob Kassebaum's daughter to gauge the potential for success this season. Miranda Kassebaum, the coach's 5-year-old daughter, won a bicycle during Southwest District Health's ninth annual Back to School Free Immunization Clinic on Aug. 11 at Caldwell's Lincoln Elementary. Submitted photo

✓ Volleyball: Season starts Tuesday at home vs. non-conference Parma

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On the varsity, Hann has a squad that will be working hard to shore up its serving and passing. Many of the athletes have been in the program for a few years, so the communication factor may not be as crucial when putting together the passing game.

Hann expected to work hard on passing and serving throughout the practices leading up to Tuesday's non-conference home opener against Parma.

"We're building (the offense) around our tall girls," Hann said. "Our main focus is on serves and passing."

"I would like to have high 90s as a serving percentage as a team. "Right now, our



Jenni Hall

average with serves is generally 60 percent. Passing will just take a lot of practice and repetition."

The coach said the passing game will be built around senior setter Mikal Mackenzie, one of five returners from



Taci Morris

last year's squad.

Hann has a veteran squad and a good amount of height with which to work this season. Only two players from last year's squad — Jordan Warwick and Vanessa Brown — graduated.

Returning players include 5-foot-10 outside hitters Corey Hall, Mandy Brasher and Rachel Wheeler, all of whom are seniors.

Other players possessing the height that Hann wants to exploit

are 5-10 junior outside hitter Katie Lindbloom, 5-9 junior outside hitter Rachel Christoffersen and 5-11 junior outside hitter Haylie Frelove, who is the tallest player on the squad.

"We have a lot of height," Hann said. "We've got some girls that can be unleashed. We'll just let them go nuts and let them hit."

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

August 18, 1982

Rodeo action begins tonight

The 1982 Owyhee County Rodeo starts tonight at the fairgrounds in Homedale.

This year’s program begins at 8pm with the first night of competition for the title of 1983 Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen.

Following the queen competition, rodeo action gets underway, the first of a four night show. A highlight of the nightly rodeo will be the famed wild horse race.

Reigning over this year’s fair and rodeo will be Miss Jeanine Youker, 19, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Youker of Boise, Miss Youker has appeared at several events this past year representing Owyhee County, including the Snake River Stampede, Council rodeo, and the Washington County Rodeo.

Members of the board of directors of the Owyhee County Rodeo are: John Malmberg, president; Wendell Hyer and Jim Bish, vice presidents; Don Basey, John Kushlan, Paul Zatica, Frank Matteson, Jim Duncan, Frank Maher, Bob Basey, Ed Muller, Ted Cossel, Rich Brandau, and Al Curtis.

Officials are Bob Basey, arena directors; Tom Hatch, announcer; Connie Brandau, secretary; and Kevin Higley, clown.

Rodeo officials have stressed that no coolers will be allowed in the grandstands this year.

Queen competition precedes rodeo events

Competition for the title of 1983 Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen begins tonight at 8pm.

Reigning queen Jeanine Youker, 19, will crown the new queen during Saturday night’s rodeo.

There are eight young ladies vying for the title. They are Kelly Cossel, Natalie Reader, Denise Moore, Deanna Grant, Choni Gronmark, Lisa Lemrick, Debbie Shroll, and Linda Nix.

The competition will continue during each of the four nights of rodeo action.

Saturday parade starts at 10am

The Owyhee County fair parade will begin at 10am Saturday, August 21, according to chairperson Pam Carson. Co-chairman is Gypsy Jackson.

Line-up and judging of entries will be at 8am on Owyhee Street near the high school.

There will be eight categories, Carson said, and they are commercial, classics, religious community floats, youth, open class, kids, and riding clubs.

The parade is sponsored by the fair board and organized by Xi Alpha Delta sorority of Homedale.

Around the valley

Visitors of Lucy Stutheit last week were Mrs. Thelma Stutheit from San Jose, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Vaud Pierce and son Stephen, from Everett, Wash., and Mr. and Mrs. Orval Stutheit.

Thelma Stutheit will spend two weeks visiting Lucy and Mary Stutheit and the Joe Pierces and friends.

A family barbeque was held for Riley Howell’s 71st birthday anniversary, August 9. Guests were Carol and Tommy Branen. The Howells attended the Howell and McGhan family reunion in Kachess, Wash., recently.

A birthday dinner was held Monday, August 9, at the Wendell Hyer home for Connie Hyer. Family members present were Stephanie and George Hyer, Marjorie Christoffersen, all of Homedale; Wendy and Kepa Chartudi with Mikel, Nikolis, Anthony and Kristina, all of Ogden, Utah.

Maxine Magden and Douglas McIntosh from Ketchikan, Alaska, are visiting their mother and grandmother, Alice Connell, for several weeks.

Herman and Frances Bruening and Dorothy Estberg, Wisconsin, are visiting the women’s brother, Robert and Lucille Bruening.

50 years ago

August 22, 1957

Downing begins job as city clerk

Kenneth Downing has been appointed as the new city clerk, treasurer, and police judge and began work at the city hall Monday. His appointment will be approved at the next regular city council meeting September 2, according to Mayor Joe Eiguren.

Mrs. Margie Echevarria, who has been serving as temporary clerk and treasurer, began work at the Homedale labor camp office Wednesday, assisting Peggy Mace, bookkeeper, who replaced Mrs. Edna Gossard. Mrs. Gossard left Saturday to join her husband Floyd Gossard at Council, where he is employed at a sawmill.

Annual fair underway with full program scheduled

The Owyhee County Fair Board met Friday night with about 30 people attending, including superintendents, to discuss their responsibilities and make final arrangements for the Owyhee County Fair Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

The fairgrounds and buildings have been cleaned, repaired, and improved by fairground workers to make ready for a large variety of indoor and outdoor displays.

The race track has been prepared for the horse events which will take place Thursday and Friday evenings at 7pm during the Owyhee County Fair night shows with races for both children and adults.

Three outdoor stages have also been constructed for the family night shows which will feature a variety of entertainment and fun for the entire family.

Ten queen candidates for the fair will be introduced Thursday evening. The crowning of the queen will take place Friday evening after votes are counted. The next two girls with the highest votes will be attendants and will appear with the queen in the fair parade Saturday morning.

Queen contestants are Linda Costely, Linda Pegram, Jean Cearly, Shirley Titmus, Beverly Swinney, Anita Maher, Rosalie Needs, Sharon Malmberg, Roberta Wade, and Virginia Arnold.

The parade will begin promptly at 10am Saturday with bands from neighboring towns expected to participate. Several saddle clubs are also expected to take part and community floats will be an attraction.

Homedale softball team wins, loses this week

For the first time this year the fans of Homedale and Marsing saw justice done to the game of softball. They saw it at the Caldwell softball park last Thursday, when Marsing and Homedale collided in the district softball tournament. The game showed good pitching by one team, good fielding by the other, and strong determination by both.

After a four inning 1-1 tie, the ice was broken in the top of the fifth when Tallman singled, Fisher doubled, and Marsing donated an error which brought in two Homedale runs.

In the Marsing half of the fifth, Wilkin made an excellent attempt in getting one of the runs back, but his hard smash fell into the left fielder’s mitt about four feet in front of the boards. From this point on, Marsing never seriously threatened. In the sixth Tallman singled in Thomas, who just tripled for the fourth run.

Homedale locals

Linda Zittel and Rosemary Gouldman entertained with a farewell and birthday dinner party Friday night in honor of Karen Petzoldt, who is moving with her family to Seattle, Wash. Other guest were Glenda Watterson and Bonnie Ross.

Mrs. Kenny Downing and children returned from Silver City Thursday evening after spending a week there. Saturday they accompanied her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Adams, Marilyn Adams, and Carmen Landa to Indian Meadows, where they spent the weekend at the Frank Maher cow camp.

140 years ago

August 17, 1867

HOSTILITIES RESUMED. On the 9th inst. Jack Mangin and Jas. K. Belk were encamped at the lower end of Jordan Valley on Charley Brook’s Ranch. About daybreak they were awakened by horrible yells and whooping, while arrows came whizzing at them thick and fast. The Indians were all around them, not more than ten yards distant. The boys discharged a six-shooter and a double-barreled shotgun at the miscreants, who immediately started in pursuit of some horses that had become frightened and broke away from an adjacent wagon to which they were attached. There were four Indians, and from traces of blood, it is thought that one was either killed or badly wounded on the ground. Jack received a very painful, though not dangerous, arrow wound in the hip. Belk escaped unhurt. They found about twenty arrows scattered round on the ground after the fight. As soon as the Indians went away the boys made the rest of their way to the house of a neighbor a half-mile distant. Some parties then returned to the scene of the battle; but the savages had been there again and robbed the camp of everything in the shape of provisions, clothing, blankets, &c. Among the rest, they appropriated Jack’s carpet sack, containing his Sunday pants, \$100 in cash and various other trinkets. Some five or six of the valley boys started in pursuit -- two of them, Belk and H. J. Hill, overhauled three of the savages. Hill shot one six-shooter through the heart and Belk scalped him; the other two escaped. We say bully for the boy that shot the red-devil! And bully for the boy that scalped him!

A few such lessons would teach the Lo family better than to thus rudely awaken honest persons from their morning slumbers.

TO THE READERS OF THE AVALANCHE: With this issue our connection with the Owyhee Avalanche wholly ceases. The change of proprietors is purely a business one of other parties wishing to buy at our own price.

We have spent two full years in the business of publishing a newspaper in Owyhee, and the very nature of the work compelled a careful acquaintance with every mine, and almost every tunnel and shaft in this mining district, and our belief, formed thereby, that it possessed many veins of gold and silver quartz of extraordinary richness is firm and weekly strengthened.

Our chief aim at the outset was to inform the outside world of the mineral wealth of Owyhee, and the files of the leading mining and news journals in California, Oregon and New York will prove that we have, in a reasonable degree, succeeded. Vast improvements in our lines of communication have received valuable aid from us. We have, each week, presented our readers with a careful collection of local items, and a summary of news from the other Idaho journals. In looking back over the management and matter of the Avalanche, we find but little that we would care to change.

Our successors are men who combine the essential merits of practicalness, industry and intelligence. The public can rest assured that they will represent the interests of this section of Idaho, and everything that pays tribute to it, in a manner advantageous to the common welfare and with credit to themselves. A paper faithfully devoted to local affairs is of incalculable value to the community in which it is published, and the people can expend a portion of their means no more judiciously than by liberally sustaining their local press.

In conclusion, we will say that our patrons have never been annoyed by editorial complaints of any kind, nor by duns for cash due or importunities to lend us additional aid; nor will we at the close make an exception to our former course. We have an advertisement in this paper which means what it says and to which we direct attention.

With these remarks and a sincere desire that Owyhee will enrich her citizens and justly acquire the position in the mining world that Virginia and Gold Hill, in Nevada, now do, we respectfully bid our readers an editorial adieu. Jno. & Jos. Wasson.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

The Russian dairyman

I don't think of myself as a dairyman, though my first cow was an Ayrshire milk cow complete with long horns — Goldie was her name. My father milked her in the morning, and it was my chore to do the evening milking. I was in the third grade when I began.

My younger brother's job was to feed the chickens. His nemesis was a big red rooster named Oscar. Brother would have been 6 years old then, and was no match for Oscar. So we made a deal. I'd carry a stick and keep Oscar at bay while Brother gathered eggs and scattered chicken feed. This, in trade for him holding Goldie's tail while I milked. In the warm months, he'd slap my bare back with a wet rag to keep the flies off of me. Mother made butter. I recall we had a small electric churn. Brother No. 3 was born, and Goldie kept our family supplied with dairy products.

Steve told me the story of his Russian immigrant grandparents coming into Montana in the 1920s, like my grandparents did into Oklahoma. They milked several cows and traded cream and butter in town for sugar and flour.

Steve's Grandpa Ivan took pride in his small dairy herd. He invested in good cows, at the expense of creature comforts for himself and his family. He developed a reputation as a good farmer. So when he started getting complaints about the "quality" of his milk, he was concerned.

Ivan discussed his problem with Joe at the feed store. Was he keeping his cans clean? Did he keep it cool? Was he washing the teats before milking? Joe agreed to come check out Ivan's operation and inspect his barn.

Upon arrival the next morning in the predawn, Joe saw the lights burning in the barn. In the fresh snow, he saw footprints leading from the house to the barn. It was clear that the tracks were barefoot. Joe shivered. He realized how much Ivan was sacrificing to build his herd — didn't even buy shoes to save money. But, he figured, Ivan was a Russian and knew about cold weather.

Pulling his coat around him, Joe traipsed out into the barn, passed through the cooling room and entered. He could hear the regular whoosh-whoosh-whoosh of fresh warm milk being drawn out.

"Mornin', Ivan," he greeted, "It's a cold one." Ivan looked back but kept up the rhythm, "Mornin', Cho, it iss colt, but it doznt bodder me none."

Joe spoke, "I've come to..." Then he noticed that Ivan had both hands on the bag squeezing away and both feet in the bucket!

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*

The little white dog



I was on my way to work after a morning visit with the dentist. I was on a secondary street, trying to avoid the traffic jams caused by construction on the main thoroughfare. I had just pulled away from a four-way stop when I spotted the little white dog off to my right, standing in the grass between the sidewalk and the curb.

As my view of the dog was about to be blocked by the front fender, it appeared to make a move toward the street. Before I could get my foot on the brake pedal, my truck lurched and there was the terrible sound of my tire passing over something.

I swerved to the side of the street and got out. The little white dog was lying in the middle of the road. It made no sound as it tried to lift its head. Its eyes were glazed with pain. I didn't want to pick it up and hurt it more so I slid it, as gently as possible, over by the curb, out of traffic.

I knelt beside the little white dog, feeling totally helpless. It was obvious she was someone's pet — not a stray. I felt sad and frustrated because there wasn't anything I could do to ease her suffering. I also felt a little angry that someone had put me in this situation by allowing the dog to roam unattended.

I laid a hand lightly on the little dog — trying to let her know someone was there. Her movements became more feeble. There was a final shudder. Probably not more than two or three minutes had elapsed since she dashed from the curb but it seemed like an eternity.

I didn't want to just leave the little white dog there by the curb. If someone ran over our dog I would hope they would at least stop and tell us. I walked over to some apartments where the dog might have lived. I knocked on several doors. Although it appeared people probably were inside some of them, no one responded.

Maybe, I thought, the dog was headed back across the street to its home. So I went to the apartments there and knocked on more doors. From the cars parked out front, it appeared there were people around, but again, no one answered my knocks.

I returned to the little white dog. She had a purple collar but there were no license tags — no clue to who her owner might be.

I stood beside the body of the little white dog. Passing motorists stared but didn't stop. Not knowing what else to do, I finally got in my vehicle and drove to work. Once there, I called the police and reported the location and what had happened. The dispatcher was sympathetic. She said when a pet is allowed to run free and is killed, it is hard on both the owner and the driver.

I sat at my desk and thought about what had happened. Although there was nothing I could have done to avoid the little white dog, I felt guilty. Then I called Sara. And although guys are supposed to be tough, I have to admit I had trouble keeping my composure as I described what had happened.

What is it about animals? During nearly 30 years in journalism, I was on the scenes of fatal car wrecks, airplane crashes, drownings, industrial accidents, murders and suicides. Although these were often unsettling, I don't believe any of them affected me any more than the little white dog.

Maybe it's because I was a participant in this event instead of an observer. Maybe it's because I'm older now and look at the world, and life, differently than I did when I was twenty or thirty or even forty. Or maybe it's because it just doesn't seem right that the last moments of a little white dog, with a purple collar, should be spent lying at the side of a city street with only a stranger to comfort her.

Reader opinion

Melba library district push begins anew

by Melba Cottage Library Board

One year ago, a group of concerned women met in a living room to discuss the fate of the Melba Cottage Library. That evening, a grass-roots effort began to establish a public library that would provide free and equal access to library services for every family, individual and schoolchild within the Melba School District.

To say that we are shocked and disappointed that 12 voters in Ada County have thwarted the desire of a majority of voters within our proposed library district would be an understatement. At the same time, we are heartened by an astounding 72 percent of voters who voted yes. We are pleased that these voters have determined that lifetime literacy and continuing education are fundamental to the preservation of our constitutional freedoms and economic stability. These voters realize that the equivalent of a month's worth of cable television in exchange for a year's worth of library services is a bargain. Words cannot describe our frustration that current state law means that, in this case, the majority vote did not prevail.

Given that there were a total of 155 yes votes and only 54 no's, we feel duty-bound to explore the possibility of redrawing the boundaries of a public library district that would exclude that small portion of Ada County we had felt obliged to include based on the results of our door-to-door canvassing of Ada homes. Clearly, most Ada voters supported our efforts, but in a free society every voter must exercise their civil rights by voting at the polls if they wish their voices to be heard.

In the days ahead, the library board anticipates some

difficult decisions. While we face a second petition drive better informed as to the process than we were a year ago, we face with trepidation the continuing demands on our time and resources that this effort will entail. In addition, because a major source of funding was contingent upon a successful election, we must begin to determine how and if we can continue to keep the library's doors open.

It has been a tremendous privilege to have participated in this effort. We would like to thank all those who came out to the polls to exercise their right to vote. We appreciate their willingness to express their opinions regardless of convenience. We cannot begin to thank the Melba Community Auction Committee, Melba School Board, Bob Larsen and Kelsi Williams of the Melba School District, Double D, Erin McCusker of the Idaho Commission on Libraries, Wal-Mart, Costco and JB's Restaurant as well as every patron, volunteer and private donor for all of their support.

In the meantime, we are asking individuals in Canyon and Owyhee counties to determine how best they can contribute to keeping alive the dream of having a public library. The library is in desperate need of donations to replace the funding that is no longer available to us. We would also appreciate having more volunteers willing to contribute their time or expertise for petitioning, fund-raising, and day-to-day operations. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Christie Preisler at 495-1016 or Alicia Cowger at 495-2607.

— The Melba Cottage Library Board consists of Cindy Brown, Alicia Cowger, Christie Preisler, Monica Smith and Camille Sturges.

Commentary

Sen. Larry Craig



From Washington

Dems have accomplished very little this year

Back in the 1980s, the Wendy's restaurant chain had a very successful commercial campaign, in which an elderly woman ordered hamburgers from various fast-food restaurants. Time and time again, she was disappointed, and repeatedly asked, "Where's the beef?" Despite the promises of some restaurants, the woman often found that their burgers contained little substance.

Sadly, nearly eight months into the 110th Congress, Democrat leadership leaves a lot of us asking, "Where's the beef?"

After roughly 200 days in charge, the Democrat majority had passed about 20 bills naming or renaming post offices, federal buildings and parks, and one bill regulating operation of the Senate Gift Shop. Shortly before the start of the August in-state work period, they succeeded in passing a few bills, including an ethics "reform" bill that was forced through the Senate without allowing any significant Republican input.

Since the Democrat majority has such a sparse record of legislative accomplishments, I'm left with little else to discuss but what they haven't done.

The tax relief measures approved by Congress and

signed by President Bush in 2001 and 2003 have clearly proven to be valuable motivators spurring the economy upward. Since 2003, 8.3 million jobs have been created in the United States, and real wages have risen 1.3 percent over the past 12 months.

Unfortunately, many provisions of those tax cuts are set to expire in the coming years. Despite the success of these tax cuts in creating economic growth, the majority party in Congress has shown little interest in extending the cuts or allowing American families to keep more of what they earn. Never forget — failing to extend a tax cut is just the same as raising your taxes.

Another aspect of fiscal responsibility is controlling spending. Although they promised voters in 2006 that they would restore fiscal responsibility to Capitol Hill, the Democrats' first budget resolution increased spending by \$205 billion over the next five years.

The ethics reform bill approved by the Senate will likely make the appropriations process less — not more — transparent. The energy bill approved by the Senate in June contains little in the way of incentives for the production of alternative energy sources. Instead of working with

Republicans to craft legislation that has broad, bipartisan support, they've spent months doing things like holding divisive debates on Iraq policy, even going so far as to hold an all-night debate recently, which even some Democrats admitted was a publicity stunt.

Having said all that, there have been occasional signs that we can work together to move legislation important to the American people. Republicans and Democrats were able to put together a compromise proposal on the minimum wage that contained small-business tax breaks to counter potential negative impacts on entry-level jobs; it passed and just recently went into effect. Just before leaving Washington for the August break, Congress approved a bill drafted by Republicans with the Director of National Intelligence to close a gap in the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act and make sure our country receives the information we need on foreign terrorists.

I hope that lesson sinks in. When Democrats include Republicans in the legislative process, much can be achieved. Unfortunately, they haven't often been willing to do so this year. That's left some wondering, "Where's the beef?"

— Larry Craig is a Republican senator from Idaho.

Accuracy In Media

NBC promotes bogus Russian claim to North Pole

by Cliff Kincaid

On the NBC Nightly News early last week, Brian Williams introduced a story about Russian claims to the North Pole that featured an image of what viewers were led to believe was a small Russian submarine under the polar ice. The image originally appeared on the Russian television channel Rossiya. But the image was not of a Russian sub under the Pole. It shows a mini-sub at the scene of the wreckage of the Titanic. Similar images appeared in James Cameron's 1997 movie Titanic.

By the time the report by correspondent Kerry Sanders was put up on the NBC News Web site, this controversial image and others had been taken off, leaving only a photo of a Russian flag allegedly having been planted on the ocean floor. Between the time of the broadcast and the posting of the Sanders piece on the Web site, it is apparent that somebody at NBC News became aware of the fact that the image had nothing to do with the Russian visit to the North Pole and was deceptive.

NBC News wasn't the only media organ to fall for the scam. But it may have been the last to do. Indeed, by the time the Sanders story aired on Monday night, several others already had focused on what the popular Web site "Regret the Error" called "Rossiya's Titanic error." Regret the Error, which documents errors by the media, had previously pointed out that the Russian TV image was also picked up by Reuters on its news wire and in video. The news organization admitted its mistake, sort of. "This story contains file shots of Russia's MIR submersible. The story also contains video of a submersible which was shot during the search for the Titanic in the Atlantic," Reuters said. Incredibly, a 13-year-old Finnish boy is being given credit for noticing how the Russian TV images, supposedly of the North Pole mission, were strikingly similar to images that Cameron used in the beginning of his movie.

In contrast to Reuters, which tried to explain the gaffe, NBC News simply eliminated the controversial image from one broadcast to another and hoped people wouldn't notice. In discussions with NBC Nightly News personnel, they have not admitted to doing anything wrong.

The controversy raises the question of whether the photo or video of the planting of the Russian flag on the seabed floor under the North Pole was faked as well. This image

was sent all around the world and was also featured by NBC News. What independent evidence is there that the Russians actually planted the flag under the Pole?

The mix-up with the images may not have been the most serious problem with the NBC News report. Sanders made the extraordinary claim that "Right now, a United Nations treaty has the final word on who owns the Arctic Sea's riches." He cited no evidence for that statement. History shows — and the Russians have acknowledged — that American explorers actually set foot first on the North Pole. One of them, U.S. Navy Commander Robert E. Peary, did so in 1909 and claimed it for the U.S. "I have nailed the stars and stripes to the North Pole," Peary himself was quoted as saying. His colleague, black explorer Matthew Henson, actually planted the American flag there. The USS Nautilus traveled under the Pole in 1958 and restated America's claim to the region "for the United States and the United States Navy," as recounted by Nautilus commander William R. Anderson in his book, *First Under the North Pole*. Under the "Doctrine of Discovery," a well-established legal principle, the Pole belongs to the U.S.

Sanders wasn't the only reporter to demonstrate ignorance of historical facts. Several correspondents tried to insist that the United Nations somehow acquired the Pole. Helen Long of Reuters, in the same story featuring the misleading Titanic image, declared that, "No single country has sovereignty over the North Pole, which is administered by the International Seabed Authority." The International Seabed Authority is an agency of the U.N. Convention on the Law of the Sea. This treaty "came into effect" in 1994, but the U.S. has never ratified it. Long didn't explain how the U.N. has managed to take sovereignty over a U.S. property.

This is how U.N. propaganda enters the lexicon, misleading people about who owns what. In the same vein, the CBC reported that, "The North Pole is considered an international site and is administered by the International Seabed Authority." Repeating the claim, a BBC article reported that, "The North Pole is not currently regarded as part of any single country's territory and is therefore administered by the International Seabed Authority."

In a variation of this theme, Michael Peel and Daniel Dombey of the Financial Times insisted that another U.N.

body, the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, "is the global authority that will determine how much territory the big five Arctic seabed claimants — Canada, Russia, the U.S., Denmark and Norway — will be able to bag for oil exploration and other uses." How this U.N. commission became a "global authority," with the ability to dissolve U.S. claims, was not explained.

Luke Harding of the British Guardian alleged that "Under international law, no country owns the North Pole."

What we are witnessing is a full-blown propaganda campaign initiated by the Russians and joined by the U.N. and its apologists to force the U.S. Senate to ratify the Law of the Sea Treaty and turn over our rightful and historical claims to the North Pole region to this "global authority." The U.N. wants a role because some of the lucrative proceeds could be siphoned off for the benefit of the International Seabed Authority and "the Enterprise," a U.N. project to transfer some of the profits from and technology used in seabed mining to the Third World.

Meanwhile, our media have failed to notice that Russia, while claiming the North Pole under the Law of the Sea Treaty, has just been found guilty by the U.N.'s Law of the Sea Tribunal of violating the pact. It found that the Russians failed to promptly release a Japanese fishing vessel, seized for alleged illegal fishing, as required. The Japanese say that the Russians have engaged in a pattern of illegal activity under the treaty. Could the Russian claim to the Pole be another deception? The evidence suggests that.

With tens of billions of barrels of oil and gas at stake in this "new Cold War," as NBC's Brian Williams called it, the American people and the Senate, which may vote on the treaty in September, are entitled to the facts, not Russian and U.N. propaganda.

As long as the U.S. remains a non-party to the treaty, our rights are enforceable by the U.S. Navy. But once ratification takes place, we are at the mercy of foreign interests and international lawyers. This is the big story that NBC News and the rest of the major media won't tell.

It is a replay of the Panama Canal Treaty debate. This time, however, our media are not even telling the public that there is a debate and that the stakes are even higher.

— Cliff Kincaid is the Editor of Accuracy in Media, and can be contacted at cliff.kincaid@aim.org.

Public notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Marsing Planning and Zoning will hold a public hearing on September 4, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Marsing City Hall, 425 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho.

The purpose of the public hearing is to hear public comment on a proposed amendment to the definition of subdivision in the definition section of Ordinance A-153, the subdivision ordinance.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend. Written comments will be received by the P & Z secretary until August 31, 2007.

Services for persons with disabilities may be made available by calling City Hall three days in advance of the hearings.

Christy Martinat
Secretary P & Z
8/22,29/07

**OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
AUGUST 6, 2007
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
MURPHY, IDAHO**

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

The Board approved payment of all bills to be paid from the following funds:

Current Expense \$37,594, Road & Bridge \$100,300, Airport \$83, District Court \$8,015, Fair Grounds & Bldg \$21,273, Probation \$998, Health District \$4,143, Historical Society & Museum \$335, Indigent & Charity \$22,208, Revaluation \$313, Solid Waste \$11,902, Weed \$3,568, 911 \$2,100.

The Board adopted Resolution 07-16 asking the Governor to issue a Declaration of Disaster caused by severe Drought Conditions.

The Board moved into executive session on a departmental issue. After adjourning the executive session the Board moved to take the Probation Department contract under advisement.

The Board approved the Publication of the County Budget for FY 2008; the Budget Hearing is set for September 4, 2007 at 10:00 A.M. The amount published is \$8,827,589 in expenditures.

The Board approved a catering permit for the Owyhee County Rodeo Board.

The Board approved a certificate of residency for a student attending College of Southern Idaho.

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

07-33 a lien was placed on applicant

07-30 denied pursuant to IC 31-3505

07-32 approved with a reimbursement agreement signed

The Board approved a letter to BLM regarding the appeal on Gusman Ranch.

The Board approved the Givens Cemetery Plat.

The Board approved the pay authorization request from the Planning & Zoning Department for employee Reva Tobias to start at a 5A on the pay scale.

The Board denied the request by Alma Hasse for exemption of copy fees.

The Board approved the agreement with Local Government Manager and Planning & Zoning for CUP support.

Judge Culet and Trial Court

Administrator Dan Kessler met to discuss the appointment of Dan Grober to the bench as a Magistrate Judge.

The Board approved removal and reappointment of members to the Owyhee Watershed Council.

The Board approved training on the GPS unit for the Building Department.

The Board approved the hiring of Jim Cade as the Tipping Station attendant for Opaline.

The Board recessed and reconvened on August 8th to canvass the votes for the creation Melba Cottage Library. The vote was 25 yes votes, and 19 no votes.

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

/s/ Richard Freund, Chairman
Attest:/s/Charlotte Sherburn
8/22/07

NOTICE OF TAX SALE

Pursuant to Section 31-808, and pursuant to the Order of Sale recorded with the Owyhee County Recorder on July 2, 2007, Owyhee County will offer for sale on Monday, September 10, 2007, at 10:00 A.M. on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho, the following property:

Lot 6, Block 2, Ashe Addition, Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, in the City of Marsing, County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and having a commonly referred to physical address of 101 S. 13th Ave. West, Marsing, Idaho. Said property was taken by tax deed, July 2, 2007, from Duane G. and Deborah K. Kenny, parcel number RP B05200020060A.

Owyhee County offers the above property for sale without warranty or representations of any kind and is sold “as is, where is” without warranty or representation as to marketability, fitness for a particular purpose or representations concerning compliance with any Federal or State regulations. Owyhee County offers above property for sale subject to any rights, limitations, claims, easements, or rights of way that may exist. It is the responsibility of prospective bidders to inspect the sale property and to make themselves aware of any issues concerning the sale property.

The sale is an auction open to the public and will be sold to the highest bidder, payable at the time of sale in lawful currency of the U.S. Treasury Department in cash or certified funds. A minimum bid of \$2,367.68 is required, which will include delinquent tax; late fees; interest and costs, plus current year’s tax and all costs accruing hereafter.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Dated this 13th day of August, 2007.

/s/Richard Freund, Chairman,
Owyhee County Commissioners
/s/ Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk,
Board of County Commissioners
Murphy, Idaho
8/22,29:9/5/07

NOTICE OF ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from Division 3 of the Gem Irrigation District, will be held on November 6, 2007 to elect a Director for the term of three (3) years from the first of January 2008, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Nomination for Director may

CITY OF GRAND VIEW

Administration-Payroll \$2,389.18
Auto Maintenance, Fuel & Oil 150.58
Backhoe/Mower/Tractor Maint 0.00
Capital Outlay 0.00
City & City Park Maint 1,347.88
Contingency Fund 0.00
Dues 75.00
Elections 64.50
Engineering & Surveying 0.00
Fire Hydrants & Supplies 0.00
Insurance & Bonds 0.00
Miscellaneous Expense 24.00
Office Supplies, Postage, & S.D. Box Fee 193.67
Professional Services: Audit/Legal 60.00
Publishing’s 280.91
Seminars 0.00
Utilities 602.56

City Of Grand View-Street & Road

Payroll-Supervisor & Maintenance \$3,800.33
Auto Maintenance, Fuel, & Oil 0.00
Backhoe/Mower/Tractor Maint 0.00
Capital Outlay 6,120.43
Contingency Fund 0.00
Miscellaneous Expense 24.00
Professional Services: Audit/Legal 0.00
Repair & Maintenance-Streets 0.00
Street Signs 0.00
Surveying 0.00
Tools & Equipment 0.00
Utilities-Street Lighting 393.79

Citizens of Grand View are invited to inspect the detailed records of the financial statements at: Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, Idaho. Monday-Wednesday 8:00am to 5:00pm. Closed 12:30 to 1:30 for lunch. (208) 834-2700 Phone/Fax

Helana (Lani) Race
Grand View City Clerk
Date: Quarter Ending Date June 30, 2007
8/22/07

be made by Petition, signed by at least twelve (12) electors of the District qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District not less than 40 days nor more than 60 days before the date of the election. Petitions may be obtained from Connie Chadez, Secretary of the District, 118 S.W. 1st Street, Homedale, Idaho. (Petition due date is September 27, 2007)

In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominated within a Division, notice of the time and place of election will be posted as is required by IDS 43-206.

Dated: August 22, 2007
Gem Irrigation District
Connie Chadez, Secretary
8/22,29/07

**NOTICE OF ELECTION
GRAND VIEW IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from Division 3 of the Grand View Irrigation District, will be held on November 6, 2007 to elect a Director of the term of three (3) years from the first of January 2008 and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Nomination for Director may be made by Petition, signed by at least six (6) electors of the District, qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District, not less than 40 days nor more than 60 days before the date of election. Petitions may be obtained from Dixie McDaniel, Secretary of the District, 645 Idaho Street, Grand View, Idaho. (Petition due date September 27, 2007 by 3:30 p.m.)

In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominated within a District, notice of the time and place of election will be posted as is required by IDS 43-206.

**CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO
QUARTERLY EXPENDITURE REPORT
FOR 3 MONTHS PERIOD ENDING
AS REQUIRED BY IDAHO STATE CODE 50-1011
JUNE 30, 2007
3RD QTR-FY 2007**

EXPENDITURES

BUDGET%

\$2,389.18 25%
150.58 8%
0.00 0%
0.00 0%
1,347.88 90%
0.00 0%
75.00 9%
64.50 7%
0.00 0%
0.00 0%
0.00 0%
24.00 3%
193.67 13%
60.00 4%
280.91 19%
0.00 0%
602.56 22%

EXPENDITURES

BUDGET%

\$3,800.33 25%
0.00 0%
0.00 0%
6,120.43 100.22%
0.00 0%
24.00 5%
0.00 0%
0.00 0%
0.00 0%
0.00 0%
0.00 0%
0.00 0%
393.79 14%

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Homedale Highway District Board of Commissioners will meet September 5, 2007 at 8 p.m. at 102 East Colorado Avenue, Homedale, Idaho to consider and adopt a final budget for 2007-2008. The proposed budget is available for the public to inspect at the office of the district, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Terri Uria
Secretary/Treasurer

**HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT – PROPOSED BUDGET
OCTOBER 1, 2007 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008**

ANTICIPATED INCOME

Beginning Fund Balance 296,981.00
Highway Users 417,000.00
Ag Replacement Tax 2,492.00
Property Taxes 56,083.00
Sales Tax/Surplus 12,000.00
Misc. Revenue 2,000.00
Interest Income 10,000.00
Total Anticipated Income \$796,556.00

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES

Commissioners Salaries 12,000.00
Salaries 90,000.00
Payroll Benefits and Taxes 38,000.00
Utilities 2,800.00
Professional Fees 5,000.00
General Supplies and Misc. 3,500.00
Repairs and Maintenance 10,000.00
Gas, Oil and Tires 10,000.00
Materials/Construction 300,000.00
Insurance (General) 6,988.00
Office Supplies 600.00
Weed Control 25,000.00
Equipment 100,000.00
Phone Expense 2,000.00
Contingency Fund 39,000.00
Transfers and Adjustments 10,000.00
Misc. Expense 1,500.00
Ending Fund Balance 140,168.00
Total Anticipated Expenses \$796,556.00
8/22,29/07

Dated August 22, 2007
Grand View Irrigation District
Dixie McDaniel, Secretary
8/22,29/07

NOTICE

The Southwest District Board of Health will hold a **Board Meeting** on Tuesday, August 28, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Southwest District Health, Room 206, 920 Main Street, Caldwell, Idaho.
8/22/07

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news tip?
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337-4681

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AMENDED NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On Friday, 10/05/2007, at the hour of 10:30am, of said day, at the entrance to Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, Owyhee County, Idaho, on behalf of PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, as the Successor Trustee; will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 9 and 10, Block 1, HIDDEN VALLEY ESTATES SUBDIVISION, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the plat thereof recorded February 16, 1995 at Instrument No. 214934, records of said County.

AND
The South 45 feet of said Lot 8, Block 1, measured perpendicular to the South line of said Lot 8.

For purposes of compliance with Idaho Code 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 7682 Riverfront Drive, Marsing, ID 83639 may sometimes be associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by JACK L. PRATER and PEGGY L. PRATER, husband and wife to PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of RUSSELL HUNEMILLER as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been recorded on 01/05/2006 as Instrument No. 254691, records of Owyhee County, Idaho . *The above Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506 (4) (a). 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 the failure to make a prepayment in the sum of \$50,000.000 in the event the Borrowers sell that certain property commonly known at 6309 Cherry (Sheri) Hill Way, Marsing, Idaho. The sale of said property was evidenced by the recordation of that certain Warranty Deed dated March 28, 2007, and recorded April 12, 2007, Official Records of Owyhee County, as Instrument No. 260564. The original loan amount was \$549,000.000 with interest thereon at the rate of 6.5% per annum as evidenced by the note dated 01/05/2006. Annual installments in the amount of \$42,042.00 become due on the 5th day of each and every January (next annual installment become due January 5, 2008) until such default is cured and until 01/05/2016, at which date the entire remaining principal balance and accrued interest are due and payable in full.

All amounts are now due and payable along with all costs and fees associated with this foreclosure, including, but not limited to, attorney fees, trustee costs and fees, fire insurance and county property taxes, together with any and all assessments, penalties and interest; for the purpose of protecting the beneficial interest of the Beneficiary. The

HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT AMENDED BUDGET 10/1/06 TO 9/30/07		
INCOME		
Beginning Fund Balance	296,981.00	
Ag Replacement Tax	2,492.00	
Highway Users	417,080.19	
Penalties and Interest	500.00	
Property Taxes	51,640.00	
Sales Tax/Surplus	12,000.00	
Misc. Revenue	11,500.00	
TOTAL	792,193.19	
EXPENSES		
Commissioners Salaries	11,088.00	
Salaries	83,604.00	
Payroll Benefits & Taxes	35,000.00	
Utilities	2,800.00	
Legal & Audit	4,700.00	
General Supplies & Misc.	3,600.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	10,000.00	
Gas, Oil and Tires	10,000.00	
Construction Materials	250,000.00	
Insurance & Bonds	6,851.00	
Office Supplies	300.00	
Weed Control	25,000.00	
Misc. Expense	2,682.09	
Phone Expense	2,200.00	
Contingency Fund	38,000.00	
Transfers and Adjustments	9,754.52	
Ending Fund Balance	296,613.58	
TOTAL	792,193.19	
8/22,29/07		

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING		
The Commissioner of the GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICT, Marsing, Owyhee County Idaho, have tentatively adopted the 2007-2008 budget for said District as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the adoption of the budget at the Office of the District at 1016 Main Street at 8:00 PM on Thursday, August 30, 2007. The budget is available for public inspection at the District Office between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Call 896-4312 for an appointment.		
Dated this 7 th day of August, 2007		
Proposed budget October 1, 2007 – September 30, 2008		
Beginning balance	\$497,835.00	
Property tax including penalties & interest	41,000.00	
Highway Users Fund	310,000.00	
County Adjustment & Transfers	(3,900.00)	
Sales Tax	8,850.00	
Interest income	9,000.00	
Ag Equipment Replacement Tax	2,112.00	
Miscellaneous	3,003.00	
Total Revenue	\$867,900.00	
EXPENDITURES		
Labor & Salaries	75,000.00	
Legal & Accounting	5,900.00	
Repair & Maintenance	13,000.00	
Gas, Oil & Tires	20,000.00	
Construction Materials	510,000.00	
Payroll taxes & benefits	16,000.00	
Utilities	4,700.00	
Lease	2,200.00	
Insurance & Bonds	19,000.00	
Office Expense	1,500.00	
Dues & Publications	1,600.00	
Weed Control	19,000.00	
Reserve Fund	150,000.00	
Equipment	30,000.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$867,900.00	
Virginia Belknap Secretary-Treasurer 8/15,22,29/07		

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING		
Public Notice is Hereby Given, that the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District of Owyhee County, will hold a tentative budget hearing for the fiscal year 2007-2008.		
ANTICIPATED REVENUES		
Cash – Equipment Reserve	\$5,000	
Estimated Sales Tax Surplus	4,800	
Ag. Equip. Tax Replacement	1,605	
Amount to be raised by taxes	29,817	
Total	\$41,222	
ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES		
Wages	\$3,600	
Operation & Maintenance	25,000	
Capital Expense	12,622	
Total	\$41,222	
A Hearing is set for Thursday, August 23, 2007 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Murphy Fire Station. Charlene Nettleton, Treasurer 8/8,15,22/07		

principal balance is \$549,000.00 plus accruing interest, costs and fees.	VICE PRESIDENT/SENIOR TRUST OFFICER
Dated June 6, 2007	Pioneer Lender Trustee
PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC	Services, LLC
MARK L. YERMASEK-MORGER	8151 W. Rifleman St., Boise, ID 837704
	Phone (208) 373-3647
	8/15,22,29;9/5/07

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #12 CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO ORDINANCE #12 – OCTOBER 1, 2007 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2008		
An Ordinance entitled the Annual Appropriation Ordinance #12 for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007 and ending September 30, 2008 appropriating the sum of \$71,330.00 to defray all necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Grand View and Street & Road for said fiscal year.		
Authorizing a levy of a sufficient tax upon the taxable property and specifying the objects and purpose for which said appropriation is made.		
Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Grand View, Owyhee County, Idaho:		
SECTION 1: That the sum of \$71,330.00 be the same of appropriated to defray the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Grand View, Owyhee County, Idaho for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007 and ending September 30, 2008.		
SECTION 2: The object and purpose for which and the amount for each object and purpose is as follows:		
City of Grand View Expenditures	Approved Budget	
Account Payable Name:	City Exp 2008	
Administration:	\$10,784.00	
Auto - Purchase / Maintenance / Fuel / Oil	2,000.00	
Backhoe Maintenance	600.00	
Capital Outlay	1,600.00	
City/City Park Maint/Supplies/Repairs/Equip/Tools/Parts	1,500.00	
Contingency Fund	2,000.00	
Dues	800.00	
Election Supplies	900.00	
Engineering & Surveying	3,000.00	
Fire Hydrant / Supplies	800.00	
Insurance / Bonds / Workman’s Compensation	3,113.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	700.00	
Office Supplies / Postage / Safe Dep Box Fee	1,750.00	
Petty Cash	100.00	
Professional Services: Accounting / Legal	1,600.00	
Publication	1,483.00	
Seminars	200.00	
Utilities - Power / Phone / Dumpster Service	2,800.00	
Total City Expenditures	\$35,730.00	
City Revenue Funds	Approved Budget	
	Budget Rev 2008	
City Business Liquor License	\$1,350.00	
Interest (Investment Pool / Bank)	120.00	
Miscellaneous Revenue	800.00	
State Liquor Allotment	4,954.00	
State Revenue Sharing	13,769.00	
State Sales Tax Revenue	5,833.00	
County Warrant: Grand View Tax Levy & Ag	6,374.00	
Total Anticipated City Revenue	\$33,200.00	
City Carry / Over Funds:	Approved Budget C/O 2008	
Investment Pool	\$2,493.00	
Checking Account	37.00	
Total City Carry / Over Funds:	\$2,530.00	
Total Anticipated City Rev & C/O	\$35,730.00	
Street & Road – City of Grand View	Approved Budget	
St & Rd Expenditures	St& Rd Exp 2008	
Administration - Payroll Reimbursement		
- Wages for Supervisor	\$3,300.00	
- Wages for Maint. Assistant	12,000.00	
Auto - Purchase / Maintenance / Fuel / Oil	1,000.00	
Backhoe / Mower / Tractor Maintenance	1,000.00	
Capital Outlay	6,000.00	
Contingency Fund	1,000.00	
Miscellaneous Expense	300.00	
Professional: Accounting / Legal	1,000.00	
Repairs & Maintenance - Streets / Safety	3,500.00	
Street Signs / Signing	1,000.00	
Surveying	2,000.00	
Tools & Equipment	500.00	
Utilities: Street Security Lighting	3,000.00	
Total Street & Road Expenditures	\$35,600.00	
Approved Budget		
St & Rd Revenue:	St & Rd Rev 2008	
HUR - State Highway Users Fund	\$18,503.00	
Idaho Power Franchise	5,000.00	
Interest (Investment Pool / Bank)	500.00	
Grand View Tax Levy	0.00	
Total St & Rd Revenue	\$24,003.00	
Approved Budget		
St & Rd Carry Over	St & Rd C/O 2008	
Investment Pool	9,926.00	
Checking Account	1,671.00	
Total St & Rd Carry Over	\$11,597.00	
Total Anticipated St&Rd Rev & C/O	\$35,600.00	
SECTION 3: That a general tax levy on all taxable property with in the City of Grand View be levied in an amount by law for the general purpose for said City, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007 and ending September 30, 2008.		
SECTION 4: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.		
SECTION 5: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage, approval and publication in one issue of the OWYHEE AVALANCHE, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Grand View and the official newspaper of said City.		
BUDGET PASSED BY THE GRAND VIEW CITY COUNCIL, GRAND VIEW, IDAHO ON THIS WEDNESDAY 8 TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2007.		
Helana (Lani) Race City Clerk/Treasurer Published: Proposed Budget on July 25, 2007 and August 1, 2007. 8/22/07		

Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE Loan No: 0022372635 T.S. No.: 07-8465-ID On 11/28/2007 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), In the lobby of Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, ID. In the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company, as Trustee on behalf of Mortgagepointer.com 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: East One-Half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of southeast quarter of section 18, township 3 north, range 5 west of Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. 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: 4081 Homestead RD. Homedale, ID 83628, 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: Joseph L. Mansisidor and Susan G. Mansisidor, husband and wife, As grantors, To: First American Title Insurance Company, as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Mortgagepointer. Com, Inc., as Beneficiary, Assignment of deed of trust to option One Mortgage Corporation recorded on 1/22/2007 Instrument No. 259513 dated 9/20/2006, recorded 09/28/2006, as Instrument No. 258266, 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 9/20/2006. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$3,060.97 due per month from 5/1/2007 through 11/28/2007, 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 \$335,153.88, plus accrued interest at the rate of 10.45% per annum from 4/1/2007 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: 7/31/2007 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, Trustee Sale Officer P309842 8/15,22,29;9/5/07

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING	
The Commissioner of the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District have tentatively adopted the 2007-2008 budget for said District as set forth below. A Public Hearing will be held from adoption of such budget at the office of the District, Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, Marsing, Idaho 83639. 4410 Cemetery Road at 8:00 p.m. September 3, 2007. The Budget is available for the public to inspect at the office of the District between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.	
Dated this August 6, 2007	
PROPOSED BUDGET OCTOBER 2007-2008	
Fund Balance Carry Forward	\$32,000.00
REVENUE	
Lots	9,000.00
County Warrant	29,757.00
Farm Rental	1,906.00
Interest	1,500.00
Labor (opening & closing)	11,000.00
Total Revenue	55,163.00
Total	\$87,163.00
ANTICIPATED DISBURSEMENT	
SALARIES	
Sextant	27,650.00
Farm Oversight	5,500.00
Part Time Help	2,500.00
Total	\$36,650.00
EXPENSES	
Gas & Oil	3,500.00
Idaho Power	1,500.00
Irrigation	2,000.00
Repair Grounds	5,000.00
Repair Equipment	2,500.00
Telephone	950.00
Sanitation	650.00
Property Insurance	1,200.00
Bond Insurance	125.00
Payroll	2,000.00
Legal Notices	1,100.00
Travel & Meals	450.00
Office Supplies	800.00
Workman Comp.	1,200.00
Chemical & Fertilizer	1,500.00
Persi	3,200.00
Total	27,675.00
Salaries	36,650.00
Expenditures	27,675.00
Contingency	18,000.00
Ending Fund Balance	5,838.00
Total	\$87,163.00
Rick Sherrow, Secretary, Treasurer, Sextant Marsing-Homedale Cemetery 8/22,29/07	

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING	
Public Notice is Hereby Given that the Board of Commissioners for the Riverside Cemetery District of Owyhee County. Will hold a tentative budget hearing for the fiscal year 2007-2008.	
Anticipated Revenue	
Cash on Hand	29,512.00
Tax Levy	3,388.00
Other	500.00
Total	33,400.00
Anticipated Expenditures	
Labor	2,450.00
Other	30,950.00
Total	33,400.00
A Hearing is set for Tuesday August 28, 2007 from 4:00 to 5:00 at the Irrigation District Office, 645 Idaho, Grand View, Idaho. Dixie McDaniel, Treasurer 8/15,22/07	

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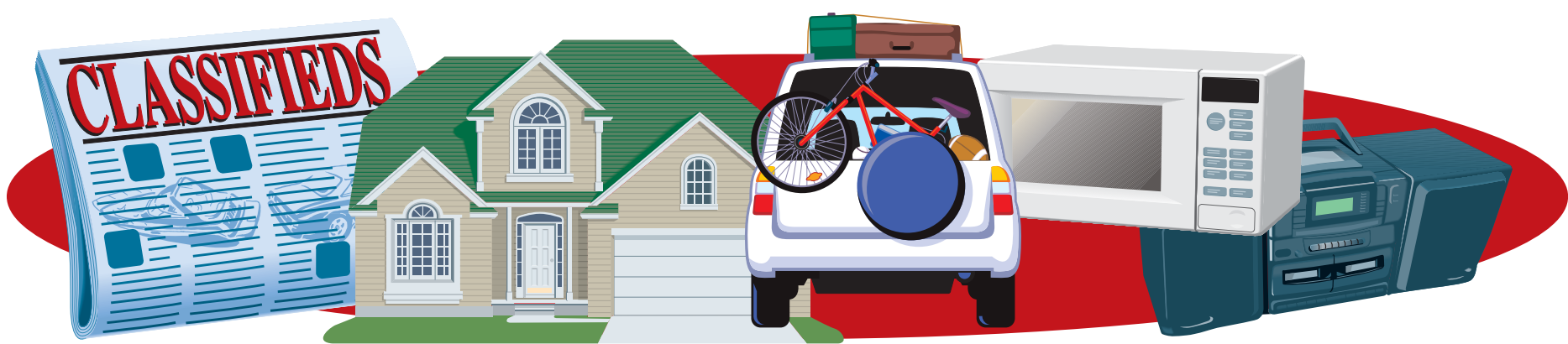
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