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No serious injuries after pursuit



Man treated and released after ramming farm truck

Manuel Omar Avila destroyed the front end of this Pontiac Grand Prix after he led authorities on a high-speed chase from Homedale to Marsing on Thursday. Photo by Joe Aman

Fleeing suspect wrecks car on Main in Marsing

A Nampa man led Homedale Police and Owyhee County sheriff's personnel on a chase from Homedale to Marsing at speeds of up to 110 mph on Thursday afternoon before wrecking on Main Street in Marsing.

According to police and sheriff's office reports, the pursuit ended after 20-year-old Manuel Omar Avila crashed the Pontiac Grand Prix he was driving into a loaded farm truck on West

Main Street in front of the Whitehouse Drive Inn and Motel in Marsing. An off-duty sheriff's deputy apprehended Avila on a gravel road-way northwest of the Marsing



Manuel Avila

High School football field after a short foot chase.

The incident began when Homedale police stopped Avila just before 6 p.m. Thursday on suspicion of violating a no-contact order, after Avila's wife, Donna Avila, reported that he had kicked out the window of her car. Manuel Avila, who was wanted on a Nampa warrant

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Election Day is Tuesday

Where to vote

Homedale — Polls open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Marsing — Polls open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., City Hall, 425 Main Street

Grand View — Polls open noon to 8 p.m., City Hall, 425 Boise Ave.

Gem Irrigation — Board of directors seat. Polls open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Precinct 1: Marsing City Hall; Precinct 2: South Board of Control watermaster's office, 19 W. 1st Street S., Homedale

Look for results — Results will be posted Tuesday night on www.owyheepublishing.com.

Note — Full follow-up reports will appear in The Owyhee Avalanche on Nov. 14

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Moving Homedale forward

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Schultz resigns after moving mining firm

Homedale councilman steps down with two months left on term

After months of trying to find suitable land in Owyhee County, Homedale City Councilman Steve Schultz's business has forced him to make a difficult choice. On Thursday night, Schultz's fellow councilmen accepted his resignation two months shy of the completion of his first term. According to his resignation letter circulated at the meeting and submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche, Schultz will leave

the position today.

He's confident the city administration will continue the work he has helped start.

"I feel like it's in good hands, and I'm pleased with the progress that's happened in the nearly four years I've been on the council," Schultz said.

"I'm confident that whatever business is left on the plate will be handled

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Downing: Grant money shouldn't go into U.S. 95

Councilman voted against resolution because he felt \$500K should be spent elsewhere in town

While a city councilman set the record straight, more light was shed on just exactly what \$500,000 can get you these days in terms of redevelopment in Homedale.

Homedale City Councilman Tim Downing said last week that The Owyhee Avalanche incorrectly reported the vote on the slum and blight district resolution that was taken Oct. 15 in a special meeting.

The vote was not unanimous, both Downing and City Hall confirmed. Downing cast the only dissenting vote among the four city councilmen.

The resolution passed, setting the boundaries of the area to which as much as \$500,000 in Idaho Department of Commerce Community Block Grant money would be applied for infrastructure redevelopment.

But Downing said he cast a dissenting vote, even at the risk of souring the Department of Commerce's outlook on Homedale.

"It was the toughest decision," Downing said. "I really struggled with that vote. I did have concerns with compromising our relationship with the Commerce department."

The boundaries are as far west as North 3rd Street West and as far east as Airport Way. The city had to set the entire redevelopment district before submitting the grant even though the money may be used in only part of the area.

Downing said he voted against the resolution because the top priority of the three listed in the map accompanying the resolution was the realignment and improvement of the intersection where East Idaho Avenue, Airport Way and U.S. Highway 95 meet.

"The deciding factor was the issue of the intersection," Downing said. "Even after we put 'X' amount of dollars into it, I don't feel we're going to have a typical four-way intersection there."

Pat Engel, Business and Community Development

Public hearing scheduled on grant request

Residents can learn more about Homedale's Idaho Community Development Block Grant application during a public hearing at City Hall next week.

A meeting before the City Council has been called for 6 p.m. on Nov. 8.

The public hearing will outline the grant application executed by Sage Community Resources, as well as the scope of work, schedule, budget and benefits of the project.

The draft application and application handbook are available for review at City Hall prior to the meeting. The application and handbook also will be available at the hearing.

The city will accept written and verbal comments on the proposal until the close of the Nov. 8 hearing.

For more information, contact City Hall at 337-4641.

director with city grant writer Sage Community Resources, said nearly half of the \$500,000 grant would be applied to the intersection project.

Downing voiced concern that safety could be impacted at the intersection because of an increased volume of traffic, including large delivery trucks, if a retail development such as a Kings Discount Department store is built on the 7-acre parcel across Airport Way from Homedale Municipal Airport.

Mayor Paul Fink said recently that securing funds to realign the intersection is a major factor in whether Kings chief executive Tom King would follow through with the Burley-based



Councilman: Intersection shouldn't be part of grant focus

Homedale City Councilman Tim Downing was the lone dissenting vote on the resolution setting the parameters of the area that could be helped by as much as \$500,000 in state grant money.

company's lease negotiations with Homedale.

"I voiced concerns a number of times over the last couple of years about that intersection," Downing said.

The councilman said navigating the intersection from East Idaho Avenue onto the highway is a hairy enough situation now with traffic speeding south over the Snake River bridge from Canyon County and north from the bypass.

"I'm surprised there haven't been more accidents," Downing said, adding that the situation is compounded because southbound vehicles rarely signal when exiting onto East Idaho.

Downing said he would rather see money from the community block grant used elsewhere in town.

"I guess I just couldn't bring myself to vote to put that money into the project," he said.

According to Engel, the city could get as much as \$500,000 if the block grant application the company has written for Homedale makes it through the entire approval process.

The city council has approved \$40,000 in general funds to be added to the grant money, bringing the total to \$540,000 if Homedale gets its full funding request. Engel said it's possible that Homedale could get a portion of the money, but she is confident that a full grant could be secured.

Engel said \$50,000 would go to pay Sage for administration of the

grant. If Homedale were given the full amount of its grant request, that would leave \$490,000 for improvements, which according to Engel would include:

- The intersection of U.S. 95 and East Idaho, at a cost of \$247,300.

- Sidewalks, curbs, gutters and lighting for a stretch of East Idaho Avenue between the Subway sandwich shop and East Third Street North, \$97,500.

- Sidewalks, curbs, gutters and drainage on the north side of East Owyhee Avenue between North Main Street and East First Street North, \$104,800. Engel said the additional drainage project is necessary because there currently are no catch basins for storm drains underneath the road surface.

"We're not going to be able to fund improvements throughout the whole district," Engel said. "We're going to try to fund those first priorities."

In other words, the \$500,000 grant would cover none of the other improvements outlined by Fink in his previous comments on the redevelopment area — including sidewalks, curbs and gutters for West Third Street North, which he mentioned in the Oct. 22 mayoral candidates forum. At the forum, Fink acknowledged the money wouldn't go very far and that a possible local improvement district (LID) in cooperation with local businesses could be a source of future funding for the redevelopment area.

Engel did say that the hope was

that Homedale's improvements through the grant would "jump-start" private investment that could trigger more revenue for other improvements.

According to preliminary cost estimates provided by Engel, the three priorities listed in the map submitted with the application and Sage's administrative fees would carry a price tag of \$499,600, leaving \$40,400 from the stated money that the city can commit to any cost overruns. She said all cost estimates are based on today's construction prices even though the projects wouldn't start until next summer at the earliest.

Engel also said that because of the Thanksgiving holiday the grant application deadline is Nov. 16, four days earlier than originally reported by Fink.

Officials won't know the fate of the request until the end of January, she said, contradicting Fink's assertion that the city would know by December.

If Homedale makes the short list, Sage has until March to submit a "full application," she said. Engel said the city would learn if it was awarded money by April or May, but the official contract for the grant wouldn't be signed until July.

Although doled out by the state Department of Commerce from its fiscal year 2009 budget, the money actually comes from federal Housing and Urban Development funds, Engel said.

— JPB



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'Flaw' puts sewer on hold

Homedale city public works superintendent Larry Bauer reported to the City Council on Thursday that the new sewer system hadn't reached the new customers along East Idaho Avenue and on Colorado Avenue because the electrical subcontractor had missed a deadline.

Mayor Paul Fink said the deadline to have the work done was Oct. 10.

What Bauer called a "minor design flaw" also held up operation of the new lift station at the end of East Owyhee Avenue. Fink said there weren't enough conduits to run wiring from the pumps to the electrical source.

Bauer told the council that the work was to be completed today.

Also at Thursday's council meeting, Homedale resident Toni Kelly asked for help in obtaining grants to buy playground equipment for a proposed play area at Sundance Park.

She said the Caldwell Community Foundation would award a \$4,000 grant if she could raise \$5,000. Kelly also has applied for a \$12,000 grant through Hamburger Helper and said she would send a grant application to US Ecology before its Nov. 15 deadline.

She also told the council she would like to replace the aging equipment at City Park.

"I'm glad somebody's working on it because the playground equipment (at City Park) is in pretty bad shape," Fink said. "It just doesn't serve the little kids well."

Fink said he would "work hard" to match whatever grant Kelly obtains.

The council also amended the city's public disturbance ordinance to give the judiciary flexibility on sentencing.

City attorney Michael Duggan told the council that Owyhee County Magistrate Dan Grober — a former Homedale attorney — had asked him to look into lessening the severity of the penalty required by the ordinance.

The ordinance had required a mandatory six-month jail sentence for convicted violators, but the council voted unanimously to change the ordinance to make the six-month term merely a sentencing option for the judge.

— JPB

Two-hour parking to make comeback?

Homedale sends antiquated ordinance to city attorney for study

The City of Homedale is re-examining parking limits on at least part of Idaho Avenue after a business owner complained to the City Council last week about not having enough convenient spaces for his customers.

Del Monz, who owns two second-hand stores on West Idaho Avenue, went before the council Thursday to report that the parking spaces in front of his Homedale Mini Mall often are tied up all day by cars parked by patrons and employees of neighboring businesses.

Monz said that parking limits weren't enforced even though there are signs calling for a 2-hour parking limit on the north side of West Idaho Avenue between 1st Street and 2nd Street. There are three signs covering the area stretching from the northeast corner of 1st and Idaho to the northeast corner of 2nd and Idaho. The easternmost sign calls for limited parking from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, while the other two signs say 2-hour parking is enforced between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Monz's businesses are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and he said employees and patrons from the Last Chance Saloon as well as employees from the Allendale Produce Co., park all day in front of his business.

Monz said that he believes there are no parking limitations on the south side of West Idaho Avenue, and he suggested that people who work at the businesses could park on that side of the street.

"I can understand people having their parking spots tied up," Homedale Mayor Paul Fink



said. "It's a sad situation because some of these people's business, the people are going to be there more than two hours."

Monz said he had talked to Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller and the city's Planning and Zoning officials before attending Thursday's council meeting.

"There was a pickup parked out front here for four days," Monz said. "I went to Jeff, and he said, 'There's nothing I can do. There's no ordinance.'"

Even though city officials had examined Homedale's parking ordinances more than a year ago when contemplating the eventual institution of 2-hour parking on the north side of East Owyhee Avenue and around City Park on East Idaho Avenue and East 2nd Street South, Mayor Paul Fink told Monz during Thursday's meeting that officials would have to look into the city's parking laws.

More than a year ago, public works superintendent Larry Bauer told The Owyhee Avalanche that there was a 2-hour parking limit set in 1991 for the vicinity of the old Two Boys Market, which now is the Owyhee County Probation Office at the corner of West Idaho



Parking signs go unheeded

Top left: There are three 2-hour parking signs on the north side of the street in the 100 block of West Idaho Avenue. **Above:** The signs are more than 6 feet off the ground and face the street, as evidenced by the 6-foot-2 Del Monz, who has complained to the city about the lack of enforcement.

and 1st Street North. Monz's businesses are in that block west of the probation office. Eidemiller told the city council in October 2006 that the miniscule \$2 fine didn't make it worth the logistics and manpower costs to enforce the ordinance.

Friday morning, Fink confirmed that a parking ordinance for all of Idaho Avenue and immediate portions of its side streets was passed in 1952 and re-examined in 1956. It's unclear if the ordinance

was ever repealed.

He said that city attorney Michael Duggan was looking at the ordinance, adding that he would contact the Chamber to gauge the impact on local business if the law were to be enforced again.

Fink said that, for the time being, there would be no enforcement, because of a lack of personnel.

"It would almost take a parking officer just to patrol it," he said.

— JPB

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Gettin’ spooky with it

Mary Blackstock of the Blackstock Ranch at Givens Springs snapped this red-eyed devil recently in her barn. The owl’s eyes glowed bright from the flash of the camera, but Blackstock left the photo untouched because she thought it would fit in nicely with the theme of the day. Seems that she was right about the “boo” factor from this who-bird. Photo by Mary Blackstock



Marsing, Homedale kids kick off trick-or-treating

Businesses, government agencies and just plain ol’ town folk will band together this afternoon to furnish treats for hundreds of young ghouls and goblins in Homedale and Marsing.

The fourth annual Safe-n-Sane Halloween Celebration will take place from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at businesses and government offices throughout downtown Homedale.

The Marsing PTA will hold the second annual Trunk or Treat in the parking lot of the Marsing High School gymnasium on Main Street. The trick-or-treating takes place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. A carnival will be held in the gym from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Individuals and local business representatives will park cars and hand out treats from the vehicles’ trunks. The PTA will provide donated candy, and all car participants must arrive before the parking lot gates are closed at 6 p.m.

The Homedale celebration encompasses 30 businesses, City Hall and the Owyhee County Probation Office. There also is a best-costume contest, and the photograph of the winner will hang in the lobby of the city offices for the next year. The photo also will be published in The Owyhee Avalanche.

A list of participating businesses appears elsewhere on this page, and is also available at City Hall.

All participating businesses will display an orange jack-o-lantern in the window.

Organizers also have encouraged businesses to get into the spirit with carnival games and costume-clad employees.

The trick-or-treating and costume contest is open to children 12 years old and younger.

Parents with children participating in the celebration are asked to park away from downtown and walk to the businesses to reduce parking woes. All traffic and pedestrian laws will be enforced by the Homedale Police Department.

For more information, call City Hall at 337-4641.


Homedale Safe-n-Sane Halloween participants and addresses

- A list of businesses taking part in today’s Safe-n-Sane Halloween from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in Homedale:
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| City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. | O’Henry’s Pub, 30 W. Idaho Ave. |
| Paul’s Market, 20 W. Wyoming Ave. | Owyhee County Probation Office, 102 W. Idaho Ave. |
| South Board/Gem Irrigation office, 118 S. 1 st St. W. | Homedale Men’s Hairshack, 108 W. Idaho Ave. |
| Sunnydale Motel, 2 E. Colorado Ave. | Last Chance Saloon, 120 W. Idaho Ave. |
| Homedale Fire Department, 20 W. Colorado Ave. | Terry Reilly Dental office, 8 N. 2 nd St. W. |
| Alliance Title, 7 W. Colorado Ave. | Vance Dairy Construction, 201 W. Idaho Ave. |
| Rehab Authority, 134 E. Idaho Ave. | Paul’s Market business office, 12 N. Main St. |
| H&R Block, 136 E. Idaho Ave. | Frontier Phone, 17 N. Main St. |
| Frosty Palace, 32 E. Idaho Ave. | Brother’s Automotive, 120 N. Main St. |
| Homedale Realty, 24 E. Idaho Ave. | Matteson’s 66, 3 S. Main St. |
| Owyhee Avalanche, 19 E. Idaho Ave. | Owyhee Auto Supply-NAPA, 3 S. Main St. |
| Emerald Insurance, 9 E. Idaho Ave. | Homedale Chiropractic, 111 S. Main St. |
| Cowboy Up Saloon, 2 W. Idaho Ave. | U.S. Bank, 112 S. Main St. |
| Farmers Inn, 16 W. Idaho Ave. | Owyhee Family Dental, 115 S. Main St. |
| Munster’s Ink, 20 W. Idaho Ave. | Rafter 4 Feed, 302 S. Main St. |
| | Pick Up the Pace, 6 W. Owyhee Ave. |
| | Owyhee Health and Rehab, 114 W. Owyhee Ave. |

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✓ **Suspect:** Avila wanted in Nampa for violating a protection order

alleging three counts of violating a no-contact order, fled the stop.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said Avila “drove through alleys and all over town” before making his way toward Marsing on U.S. Highway 95. Vehicles from Homedale police and OCSO pursued Avila. Eidemiller said that an off-duty sheriff’s deputy was not involved in the chase, but aided by “acting as eyes.”

Avila drove toward Marsing at an excessive rate of speed, using both lanes of traffic.

“He almost sideswiped two other vehicles,” Eidemiller said.

Pursuing officers dropped back to avoid encouraging the suspect to speed through a populated area, but Avila was still driving at high speed when he got to Marsing.

“He entered Marsing at a speed not conducive to his being able to stop,” Eidemiller said. “When he approached a truck that was going the speed limit, he was unable to avoid hitting the truck.”

Homedale Ambulance transported Avila to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell for treatment of minor injuries suffered in the collision. After treatment, Avila was released and transported by Homedale police to Owyhee County Jail in Murphy. No other injuries were reported.

“I just can’t help to think if it was my family on the road or a car full of kids on their way to or from basketball practice,” Eidemiller said. “I’m thankful that the situation ended with no serious injuries. We don’t need people like the suspect on our streets. They are a hazard to the driving public. Driving is a privilege. He doesn’t deserve to be driving.”

“All officers involved did a very professional job. They handled the situation very efficiently the way they were trained to do.”

Avila is currently housed in Owyhee County Jail on a \$100,000 bond. He faces four counts of violation of a no-contact order, and one count each of misdemeanor eluding an officer and driving without privileges.

Avila is scheduled to appear in court in Murphy for a preliminary hearing at 1:30 p.m. on Monday.

— RTH



Suspect apprehended after high-speed chase

Manuel Omar Avila sits in the rear seat of a Homedale Police Department patrol car, looking at a window in which his distraught wife, Donna, is reflected. Manuel Avila was wanted on a protection order violation out of Nampa. Photo by Joe Aman



Broken window triggers chase, crash

Left: Manuel Omar Avila fled police after he allegedly smashed the window of his wife’s car in Homedale. Right: He led authorities on a high-speed chase that ended in Marsing when he lost control of his Pontiac Grand Prix and collided with a farm truck. Photos by Joe Aman

✓ **Schultz:** Mayor to keep seat vacant until January brings new member

well by the council and whoever is elected in November.”

Schultz’s council seat is on the Nov. 6 ballot. Eino Hendrickson, Kris Roberts and Aaron Tines are in the running for two at-large four-year terms. Incumbent Bill Page also has entered the race as a write-in candidate.

Mayor Paul Fink said that Schultz’s position on the council probably won’t be filled until

after the election because the council probably only has two regular meetings left before the new administration begins in January.

“Right now, I’m just going to leave it vacant,” Fink said, adding that the council probably will have only one regular meeting each in November and December because of Thanksgiving and Christmas.

In a letter addressed to the mayor,

council and citizens of Homedale, Schultz cited Idaho Code 50-702 for his reason to resign. The law requires councilmen to live within the boundaries of the city that they are serving.

“With the recent expansion of my business, I have found it necessary to move out of the city limits,” Schultz wrote.

Schultz said he’s moving his Silver Streams Northwest mining

business across the Snake River into Canyon County. He said he had been looking for property for the expansion for two years, but couldn’t complete a deal in Owyhee County.

“It wasn’t my first choice to move to Canyon County,” Schultz said. “My first choice is to live in Owyhee County.”

Previously, another city councilman, Kevin Barlow, had

to step down when he moved to Emmett. Barlow now is running for re-election to the Emmett City Council.

Fink praised Schultz’s service to the city while a council member.

“Steve has been really good to work with,” Fink said. “I’ve enjoyed working with Steve. I thought he had the interest of the city at heart.”

— JPB

Your finances

Nerd trumps free spirit in debt fight

Dear Dave,

My husband and I are in our 20s, we have \$22,000 in debt, and I'm five months pregnant and scared. We both have children from previous marriages who live with us part-time, and together we bring home about \$2,000 a month. I think we earn enough to make this succeed, but I can't get my husband motivated enough to work on it. He's a spender, and I feel like I can't tell him no. I've tried to make him aware of the problem, but he just shrugs and tells me stuff will get paid.

— Dawn

Dear Dawn,

First of all, let me tell you that being afraid is normal when you're five months pregnant and have a bunch of debt without a lot of income. But you guys have got a mess to clean up, and your husband needs to step up to the plate here!

I know you love him, but you're not his mom, you're his wife. You shouldn't have to watch over him like a parent. But you do need to let him know that his behavior is hurting your team. You have a child on the way and bills to pay, and the fact is he's being irresponsible. You might want to be a little more tactful than that, but that's the basic message here.

Sit down with him tonight, and take his hands in yours. Look him in the eyes and tell him exactly how scared you are. Remind him about the baby that's on the way, about all the bills and tell him that you don't know how you're going to make it without some kind of plan. Chances are, unless he's a real jerk — and I'm guessing this isn't the case — he'll pay attention to what you're saying. Your husband might be a little immature on some days and a little self-centered sometimes, but that just means he's human. We're all that way from time to time.

Most relationships have two personality types — the nerd and the free spirit. The nerd likes detail and wants to map out everything in advance. The free spirit isn't as worried about the details. This doesn't mean that deep down they don't care, but they always believe things will work out in the end. Do I have to tell you who is who in your situation?

Now, if he agrees to this, you need to put your natural nerd skills to work. Present the "budget committee" — that's you and him — with a plan — a written budget where every dollar has a name and you spend everything on paper before the month begins. Once you've presented the written plan, you have to have an understanding that changes can be made, as long as you both agree on them. You're



not bringing some stone tablet that's perfect and can't be changed down from the mountaintop!

Work through it together taking care of the basic necessities — food, clothing, shelter, transportation and utilities — first. No one else gets paid until you take care of these.

Chances are, he'll see how much this means to you. If he does I'll bet he will come to the conclusion that he needs to straighten up and help out. And his doing a little part-time work on the side would be a great place to start!

Dear Dave,

I recently bought a new truck, and then I heard about your advice to stay out of debt and budget. I tried to un-do the deal but couldn't. Are there any other options besides selling the truck to get out from under the payment? My wife and I have a household income of about \$38,000 and a few other debts we're trying to pay off.

Dear Ryan,

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I'm not saying this because the truck is bad, or because you couldn't pay it off in 36 months. I say it because I want you to get out of debt so you can free up your largest and most powerful wealth-building tool — your income. Car payments eat up your money like a hungry shark.

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— Dave Ramsey is the best-selling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. He also is the host of a show on the new Fox Business Channel. 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.

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Homedale Safe-n-Sane Halloween, 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., throughout downtown. (208) 337-4641

Marsing Community Trunk or Treat Halloween carnival, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Marsing High School gymnasium, Main Street.

Marsing Community Trunk or Treat Halloween celebration, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Marsing High School gymnasium parking lot, Main Street. (208) 896-4238 or (208) 896-4260

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

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

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

Saturday

Marsing Lions benefit bingo, 6:45 p.m. early bird game, 7 p.m. other games, \$15 regular game, other options available, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 N. 2nd St. W.

Tuesday

Election Day. Polls open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Homedale and Marsing city halls, and from noon to 8 p.m. at Grand View City Hall

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

Storytime for first- through third-graders, 4:20 p.m., Lizard Butte Public Library, Owyhee Plaza, 105 Main Street, Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Marsing PTA meeting, 7 p.m., Marsing High School Commons Room, 208 S. 8th Ave. W., Marsing.

Pure Word recovery meeting, 7 p.m. Snake River Valley Fellowship, 16613 Garnet Road, Wilder. Homedale. (208) 475-3733

Ridgeview Irrigation District monthly board meeting, 7 p.m., 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale

Gem Irrigation District monthly board meeting, 7:15 p.m., 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale

South Board of Control monthly board meeting, 7:30 p.m., 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale

AA meeting, 8 p.m., Homedale

Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Wednesday

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

Thursday, Nov. 8

Owyhee Conservation District board meeting, 10 a.m., 19 Reich St., Marsing. (208) 896-4544

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

El-Ada Community Action Partnership commodity distribution, 11 a.m. to noon, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 337-4812

Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon, noon, Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 W. 1st St. (208) 337-3252

Owyhee Garden Club meeting, 1 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-5474 or (208) 896-4104

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893

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

Owyhee County Fair Board meeting, 8 p.m., county fairgrounds, Homedale. (208) 337-4575

Friday, Nov. 9

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

Monday, Nov. 12

Veterans Day

Marsing Elementary School Veterans Day tribute, 1:30 p.m., Marsing School District cafeteria, 211 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4111, ext. 426

Homedale School District Board of Trustees monthly meeting, 7 p.m., district office boardroom, 116 E. Owyhee Ave.

Melba School District Board of Trustees monthly meeting, 4 p.m., district office boardroom, 600 Broadway Ave.

Submit information on upcoming fund-raisers, meetings, 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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The family of Joyce and John Turner will play host to a 60th wedding anniversary reception for the couple on Nov. 10, 2007.

The event will take place from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Homedale LDS chapel at 708 W. Idaho

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Friends are invited to come share their memories. Please no gifts.

The Turners have five children, 13 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Marsing bingo could end

Lions Club urges attendance at Saturday's fundraiser

The future of Marsing Lions Club fundraising bingo games hinges on the attendance of Saturday's bingo night, an official said last week.

The monthly game is set for a 6:45 p.m. early bird session Saturday at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center.

The regular start time for games is 7 p.m.

The Lions Club has held

monthly bingo games in the fall and winter months as a way to collect money for some of the town's organizations.

But club secretary Chris Salove warned last week that because of declining attendance, the Lions Club may shut down future bingo nights if Saturday's attendance doesn't improve.

"If attendance is poor, we'll probably cancel the rest of the games," Salove said.

He said attendance at games earlier this year were less than half of the number of folks turning out for bingo nights two or three years ago.

Proceeds from the first bingo night will go to help pay for maintenance and upkeep of the community center.

Bingo costs \$15 per person for regular games. Salove said there are other games available for other prices, too.

Free popcorn is served, and soft drinks are available for purchase.

— JPB

Homedale seniors announce November plans

The Homedale Senior Citizens Center has announced its calendar for November.

The center, located at 224 W. Idaho Ave., will be closed Nov. 12 in observance of Veterans Day and Nov. 22 for Thanksgiving.

Besides the holidays, the center's month will be a busy one.

It all kicks off Saturday with the center's annual Christmas

bazaar. The sale runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Interested vendors can call the center to rent table space. A large table is \$12, and a small one is \$6.

On Nov. 17, the center will hold a Thanksgiving dance from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Admission is \$3, and folks are urged to bring finger food to enjoy along with the live music and company of friends.

On Nov. 20, the monthly foot

clinic will be held. Call the center, or check in at the front desk to make an appointment.

Even though the center is scheduled to be closed on Nov. 12, the senior van will make a shopping trip. Call the center or 337-4737 to reserve a seat for the trip.

The center's phone number is 337-3020.



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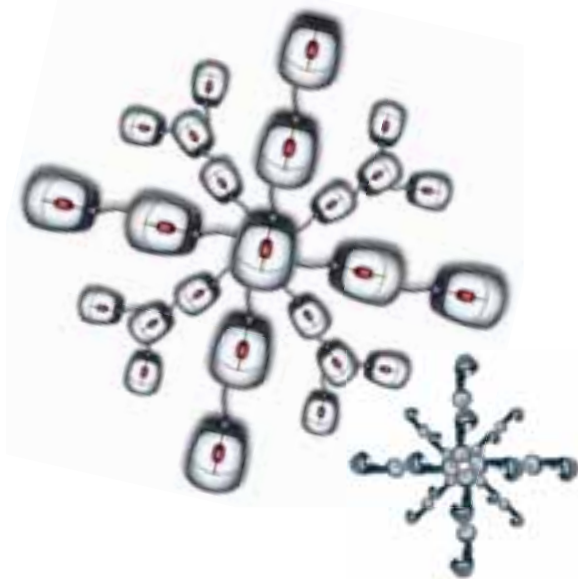
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Election '07

Cities' voters go to polls Tuesday

Voters in all three Owyhee County towns will participate in municipal elections Tuesday.

In addition to electing a mayor and city councilmen, voters in Grand View also will vote on three ballot measures pertaining to municipal water and sewer services.

On the eve of the elections, it was learned that at least three candidates — one from each city — have dropped out of the race, if not officially.

Also, Grand View has gained some write-in candidates for one of its four open city council seats.

The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. in Marsing and Homedale. City Hall is the polling place in both towns.

The polling hours in Grand View are noon to 8 p.m. inside City Hall.

The pre-election voter registration deadline has passed, but prospective electors can register at the polling place on Election Day if they bring proof of residency and age.

Today is the final day to request a mail-in absentee ballot.

The contested races include:

- **Homedale mayor** — Incumbent Paul Fink is seeking his sixth term against challengers Charles Garrison, a former city councilman, and Harold Wilson.
- **Homedale city council** — One incumbent, Bill Page, is running as a write-in candidate against Eino Hendrickson, Kris Roberts and former council candidate Aaron Tines. Donna Call recently said she was withdrawing her candidacy for health reasons.
- **Marsing mayor** — Former councilman James E. Thomas and Keith Green are vying to succeed Don Osterhoudt.
- **Marsing city council** — Stella Bush and write-in candidate Marie Herman are the only two people running for two seats that will come open once the terms of Paula Enrico and Ed Pfeifer expire. Josh Bauer officially withdrew from the election, saying that there were better qualified candidates than he on the ballot.
- **Grand View mayor** — Paul Spang is running unopposed for re-election. Wally Biladeau withdrew his candidacy, according to city clerk Lani Race.
- **Grand View city council** — Incumbent Bill Lawrence filed a late write-in candidacy as did Kerry Crenshaw. Already running for one of four available seats were Pat Beaman, Opal Ward, Marie Hipwell and Linda Lewis.

Grand View voters also face three ballot measures related to

— See *Polls*, page 12A

Marsing candidates lay out planks

Marsing mayoral hopefuls Keith Green and James E. Thomas, along with city council write-in candidate Marie Herman, answered questions about their candidacies at a forum sponsored by the Marsing Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday night.

The other city council candidate, Stella Bush, could not be at the forum, but provided those assembled with copies of her responses to the candidate questionnaire sent out by The Owyhee Avalanche. See page 10B for those questions and responses.

The forum took place at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center before an audience of around 35 people. The candidates introduced themselves, and then answered a series of questions.

Thomas, 73, started off the introductory segment. He said that he attended a lot of city council meetings when he first came to Marsing, and that one of the most popular things to do at the meetings was to repeatedly table discussion of an issue until it was forgotten.

Thomas acknowledged that there are times when the council needs to table a discussion, like when it needs to gather more information. He said that 85 percent of the time, when the council tabled a discussion, it was not for a legitimate reason. He went on to say that during his eight years on the council, he did his best to avoid tabling any discussions.

He said that because Marsing has very little industry, the town's primary purpose is going to be as a bedroom community to Caldwell, Nampa, and Boise. Housing developments are going to come to Marsing, Thomas said, adding he will push for developers to carry a fair share of the cost of the town's expanded infrastructure.

Thomas is in favor of growth in Marsing.

"If you don't grow, you might as well close your doors and give up," he said.

Green, 41, said that there are a few main issues he hopes to address as mayor. The first is improved communication between city government and the citizens of Marsing. The second issue is the ongoing infrastructure issue regarding the town's water and sewer projects. He said that some of the council's decisions in the past few years have caused unnecessary delays in those projects.

The sewer system has received some improvement, but Green said the work was inadequate for Marsing's needs. He said the city also faces the problem that future expansion of the sewer system will have to be done further away



Keith Green
for mayor

from the river.

As mayor, Green would push for the water and sewer projects to be completed, with priority going to the water project.

Herman, 44, said that she has been going door-to-door talking to Marsing residents, and that the main topics of conversation in those visits have been the weed abatement program and whether or not it has been forgotten, water pressure and what the city can do about it, and the concern that the city keep costs down.

Herman said that she wants to be approachable and accessible to the people of Marsing, and accountable for the actions of the city council.

The first question posed to the candidates was about growth, and what they had in mind to attract businesses to Marsing.

Thomas said that the citizens would love to see a drug store back in Marsing. He said that he did not know how the city could go about attracting the kind of businesses people want in Marsing. He also said that the city needs to find out what kinds of resources are available that Marsing can tap into. He said that the city should apply for any available grants.

Green agreed with Thomas that Marsing should have a drug store, and said that in order to attract small businesses to the community, Marsing has to show growth in the community and adequate infrastructure.

Herman said that it is important that Marsing retain its youth, and in order to do that, the young people need to have something to do. Marsing needs to look to neighboring communities and learn from them in that regard,



Marie Herman
for city council

she said.

The candidates were next asked how they would deal with the issue of skateboarders and the stated concerns of Marsing businesses.

Green said that he already has talked to a number of concerned citizens on this issue. He said that the best solution is to build a skate park.

Giving young people a place to go would reduce vandalism in town, he asserted. Skateboarders need a place to go, so for Marsing's youth, Green said a priority would be to build the skate park.

Thomas said that Marsing needs to look into how other communities have dealt with the issue.

Herman said that the city's youth used the old skate park quite often, and would do so again. The city needs to find the resources to build another skate park.

The next question asked candidates how they proposed to improve Marsing's image, given that there are some eyesore properties at the entrance to town.

Herman said that the entire community is concerned with this issue, and some sort of community action to clean up problem areas is in order. Civic groups and citizens should take on the task to perform volunteer service to clean up problem areas, she said.

Green said that there are already ordinances in place regarding blighted areas, and the city has looked at the possibility of employing an officer to enforce the codes, but the problem will remain until the owners of the blighted areas take pride in their properties and keep them clean.

As far as city property, Green suggested that city or county work crews could help pick up, as is done in other communities in the area.



James E. Thomas
for mayor

Thomas agreed that there are some chronic blighted areas in town, and the city has tried repeatedly to get them cleaned up. He said that the city has done everything short of placing a lien against some properties and clearing them with a bulldozer. He said that the city has been cleaned up remarkably in the past 16 years, and he doesn't know how to solve the problem completely.

He said that there are groups like the Boy Scouts or the Job Corps that could be enlisted to help with an organized cleanup effort, and that there are plenty of young people who might be organized for the effort.

But he stressed the youth would need to be supervised by adults, and a lot of these efforts fail because of a lack of adult volunteers.

"Participation is what we have to have from the public, to solve a lot of problems," he said.

Marsing's water and sewer issues were up next for discussion.

Thomas said that the water storage tank, which the city has needed for years, is a high priority issue.

He said that the bond had been in effect for a year, and the city had nothing to show for it.

"At least if we had the storage tank there, with the booster pump to equalize pressure throughout the city, we would have something we could see," he said.

He said that he was going to push for the whole project to be done by this time next year.

Green said that he stressed in his opening statement how important the completion of the water system is, and that placing a deadline on its completion would serve no purpose. He said he would love to be in charge and drive the project through to completion, but there is still a lot of work to be done. Green said he has questions about why the decision was made to drill a well where the city did, and about why, since the city will now be drilling a shallow well to avoid arsenic, the city opted to drill a deep well in that location. The priority now must be to complete the project, he

— See *Marsing*, page 12A

Election '07

Homedale candidates state mayoral cases

Paul Fink, Charles Garrison, and Harold Wilson talked about their respective backgrounds and answered questions about their candidacies for mayor before a gathering of citizens at the Homedale Senior Citizens Center on Oct. 22.

The forum, sponsored by the Homedale Chamber of Commerce, gave each candidate the opportunity to express his views through an introduction, a series of questions submitted by citizens prior to the event, and a concluding statement. The order of candidates' responses was shuffled throughout the event.

Fink, the current mayor of Homedale, went first with his 5-minute introductory statement. He asked the gathering of approximately 30 attendees to remember four years ago. He stated that when he came back into office, the city was practically broke. He said that the city does not take in much money, and that he has tried to make revenue go as far as possible.

Fink, 70, said that he and Steve Schultz had saved the city \$125,000 on the recently constructed water tower by changing "the format of where the water tower was going to be put."

Charles Garrison, who has served two terms on the Homedale city council, went next.

"I did have to resign my last seat because of that tour of duty in Iraq," Garrison said, "but it still gave me a lot of opportunity to see how the city was run."

Garrison, 37, said that he couldn't accomplish anything on the city council, and wants to be mayor because "as mayor I will be able to direct the city in the direction where I think it should go."

He said that he is in favor of a small, clean city.

"I want a place where everyone in Idaho would think that this was a great place to live," Garrison said. "As soon as we get it looking great, where everybody in Idaho wants to live here, that's when we've got to decide how to keep 'em out, because we won't want them to live here anymore."

Garrison said that it is unfortunate that Homedale has potential, but has not changed in decades. He went on to say that there is a lot of work to be done, and that the work has to begin at City Hall. A change in City Hall will allow Homedale to move forward and change downtown, he said. Garrison said that he is a big advocate of urban renewal districts, and that Middleton just created such a district.

"I think if Middleton can do it, Homedale can surely do it. We want to look into the future, or we're going to be in trouble,"



Charles Garrison

he said.

Wilson, 80, said that he and his wife of 58 years, Mary, moved to Homedale in 1963. He served in the Army in World War II and has nine children. In his time in Homedale, Wilson has been a member of the Chamber of Commerce and served on the school board, Kiwanis, the Toastmasters, and was involved with the financial support of little league.

The first question asked candidates their plans regarding daytime hours for city business, such as conferences with developers, banks, and government agencies.

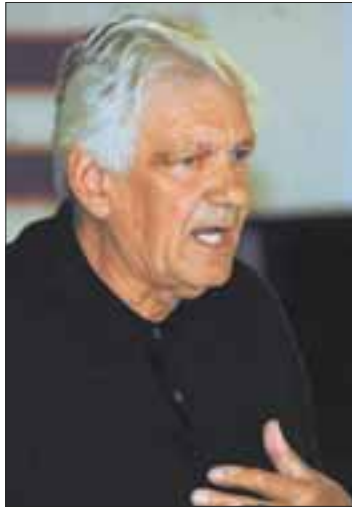
Fink responded that he is available any time he has a call or a meeting, and that his door is open to the public at all times. Fink went on to say that the impact area on the other side of the river did not happen overnight, and that the city hired an economic development person to look into getting new business or industry into Homedale.

Garrison said that the question had everything to do with him, and that quality of time is better than quantity of time. Garrison is a marketing director for an engineering consulting firm, and spends a lot of time in Boise. He said that he works with developers, contractors, architects, and sees people from the engineering firm that the city of Homedale uses, Project Engineering Consultants. He added that it is not going to be a big issue for him to make it to meetings in Homedale, but he is sure that he will be talking to the people he needs to on a daily basis either way.

Wilson answered that he will not be a special-interest mayor or a part-time mayor, but will be on the job every day, 24/7.

The second question asked whether the candidates planned on being accessible to personally hear concerns of residents in a forum other than a city council meeting.

Garrison said that his idea is for involvement of civic organizations. The mayor needs to be in contact with groups like the Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, and the American



Paul Fink

Legion, and also establish some community partnerships with new organizations.

Wilson reiterated the fact that it is his intention to be a 24/7 mayor. He said that he would hold daily office hours, maintain an open-door policy, and participate in community events where all citizens can participate.

Fink explained that he is in the office many hours every day. He acknowledged that some might point out that he plays golf.

"Sure, I play golf," he said, "because it's not a 24-hour-a-day job. Anything, any calls, the gals down at the office, they leave me a note, and I either call that individual back and invite them over, or I go over to their place and talk to them." Fink said that his policy has always been that he will always make time for someone who makes an appointment or comes down to City Hall, because if it is important enough for someone to make an effort to talk about an issue, it is important.

The candidates were next asked what the city could do to retain police officers.

Wilson said that the city needs to do a better job with city employees, and that he would like to see a community policing program that would involve the police and the community. He also stated that if the city could increase tax revenue, it could afford to pay city employees better.

Fink said that he has always suggested to the city council that city employees get 5 percent annual increases, and that the city often gave raises in the range of 5 to 7 percent. He stated that he will try to find ways to bring Homedale's wages in line with other departments in the area, but it is difficult to come up with the money with a limited budget and some expenses increasing dramatically. For example, Fink said, insurance jumped by 40 percent in the last year.

Garrison said that it is not just about the police department; it is about the entire city. Homedale needs to look at its budget and



Harold Wilson

trim areas where the city shouldn't be spending money.

"I would be an advocate to try to look at those things that are inside our budget and reduce it as much as we possibly can so we can give the money to those people that deserve the money. The people who are doing good things for our city of Homedale," Garrison said.

A follow-up question about the police department asked the candidates how the city could increase the police budget to provide competitive wages and benefits and keep officers' certifications current through proper training.

Wilson acknowledged that safety services are very important to the city. He explained that the city had \$1.3 million in its general fund, and that he knew he could find more for the police department and other city workers in the general fund. He said that he would like to take the budgetary concerns of the police department out of chief Jeff Eidemiller's hands so that he could concentrate on law enforcement.

Garrison said that the focus should be on the entire city, pointing out that fire department personnel need to keep up with certifications as well. He said that while everyone wants to focus on budget numbers, an alternative for certification might be to partner with other agencies, such as Owyhee and Canyon counties, state agencies, Nampa, or Caldwell, to participate in training opportunities through those entities.

Fink said that Homedale has one of the highest qualified, certified police chiefs in the state in Eidemiller, and Homedale's police officers and other city employees are current with certifications, and stay current.

"Ladies and gentlemen, it has nothing to do with certification. It all has to do with one thing: Money, money, money," Fink said. "I don't blame these people for going and making themselves more money, because they've only got one life to live. These

people are certified."

The next question was about the 7-acre property next to the airport, and how it should be used to best serve the city's economic interests.

Garrison said that the parcel should definitely be used for airport expansion, with the possibility of industrial expansion on the back of the property. He added that the city should not be dealing with property development, and should sell or exchange the land.

Mayor Fink said that the airport is a tremendous asset to the community, but was not necessarily in favor of dedicating the property to airport expansion or selling the land.

"Who knows what will happen to the 7 acres? I am not in favor of selling the property, because \$700,000 or \$200,000 or whatever the price is, pretty quick you squander the money, and there's nothing else," he said. "What are you going to do with it? 700,000 bucks doesn't go very far."

Fink added that no one has offered the city \$700,000 for the 7-acre parcel.

Wilson said that as he recalls, the property was purchased for expansion of the airport, and the land should be dedicated to the airport for the building of hangars or related businesses.

The candidates were asked their views on business registration.

Fink said that he has always been opposed to business registration, and that is why he asked the Chamber of Commerce to take the matter to the city's businesses.

"I don't see what the business license is going to do for the people," he said.

Wilson said that he is not for big taxes and spending, and that before the city starts taking money from businesses, more feedback is needed from those who would be affected. He said that he would join the Chamber of Commerce if elected, to get feedback from business owners.

Garrison said Homedale should absolutely not be licensing businesses, because it does not make any sense to do so. There are better alternatives than licensing to address issues such as getting contact information on businesses in town or keeping temporary or pop-up businesses out of the city.

Next the candidates were asked to describe what they imagine as goals for Homedale over one year, five years, and 10 years.

Garrison said that he is a huge proponent of having a plan. He said that the city has been "reeling" for decades because it has no plan, and there is definitely no short-term plan in place with regard to fixing anything.

Garrison's one-year plan
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would focus on leadership and management of the city. The five-year plan would focus on businesses, the community, growth, and controlling urban sprawl. The 10-year plan would be to maintain the city's plan into the future. The city's plans would need annual updates as well, he said.

Wilson said that the city needs a comprehensive plan. This plan would require input from the entire community in its development stages. The plan would be periodically revised, again with public input, to ensure that the community and business leaders buy in, Wilson said.

Fink said that he has worked for the past four years to try to get a grant for the development of Third Street. He said that he has applied for every grant that has been put out in the last four years, and that he had a \$500,000 grant, and a \$456,000 commitment from the State of Idaho, and businesses had voted in an LID so that Homedale would have sidewalks, curbs, and gutters from the Snake River bridge. He will continue to try to get Homedale cleaned up, he pledged.

The candidates were asked how they plan to balance growth with Homedale's small-town atmosphere.

Wilson said that there has not been any growth in Homedale. There seems to be growth all around the city, but none within the city limits. He acknowledged that a few businesses had come

into town, but the school system had experienced no growth. He said that the first place the city would see real growth would be in the schools.

"We need to clean up the city to encourage growth to come to Homedale," he said. "Just as Idaho is the last best place to live, Homedale is the last best place in Idaho."

Fink countered Wilson by saying that changes in the past few years include the arrival of Subway, Auto Zone, the Family Dollar store, and the Basque Center, among others, and the expansion of Matteson's and Paul's Market.

What is needed now, Fink said, is the acquisition of grants to pay for sidewalks, curbs, and gutters to clean the town up. Fink said that visitors from Caldwell or Nampa who drive on Third Street to the fairgrounds get a negative picture of Homedale.

"What impression does that give you? 'God, that's a dirty little town,' " he said. "If you get sidewalks, curbs and gutters in, I think you will clean up the town."

Garrison focused on planning and zoning. The city leaders must communicate with planning and zoning the way they want it to grow, he said. He questioned the locations of current developments, saying that growth must be planned and controlled. He also said that the people that Homedale wants to attract are people who want to own land.

"They want to have chickens

in their yard. They want to have cows on their land," he said. "Those are the people we are. We're agricultural people. That's what grew the city. We need to focus on those types of people."

Next was a question asking how to clean up residential areas and attract residents back to the city.

Fink said that the city issues letters and citations all the time to try to get people to clean their places up. He said that 99 percent of people would clean up when the city talks to them, but the remainder are always going to be a problem.

"You can't legislate pride," he said. All the city can do is continue to talk to people about it, he added.

Garrison said that he agreed with Fink. He explained that communication is the key. He suggested involving the Chamber of Commerce, and attempting to generate some type of community involvement. An active, participating community that is willing to help others is what is needed, he said.

Wilson said that Homedale residents might get involved if they first saw businesses cleaning up. The business owners are the core of the city, the leaders, and citizens look to them to lead by example, he suggested.

The final question asked how the mayoral hopefuls proposed to restore Homedale's business district and prevent further decay in the area.

Garrison said that an urban

renewal district is the answer. Everyone who lives in Homedale goes downtown, and the city needs the funds that an urban renewal district would provide in order to restore the downtown area, he said.

Wilson said that the answer is, again, to clean up the city. If the city is clean, he asserted, visitors will look at the town and think that it is a nice place to live. Homedale needs people to move into the city, but people don't want to because the city is dirty, he said.

Fink said that the city is likely to receive a \$500,000 grant from the Idaho Department of Commerce. He hopes to combine that with a local improvement district (LID), he said, because the \$500,000 will not go very far. Homedale has to start somewhere, though, and the grant is a start, Fink said.

In closing, Mayor Fink said that he as been working very hard for the citizens of Homedale, and will continue to work for the citizens. He will continue to put as much funding as he possibly can into the redevelopment of the downtown area. The city was broke when he came back into office. He has a plan for the city, and he will continue to work with the city council to improve Homedale.

Garrison closed by saying that the three candidates were "pretty much the same people." They all want to see Homedale grow. The only difference between the candidates is the direction in which they want to go, or who has the right plan to succeed in

that direction, he said. Garrison said the alternative is to stay with the status quo, not pursuing opportunities, not promoting community involvement to fix some of the city's problems. Homedale has to focus on the community, he said.

"If the community isn't here, and isn't participating, we would be called Marsing, probably. It just doesn't work without the community involvement," he said. "Homedale has always had this. It has always been very strong in the city, and that's why I want to be mayor."

Garrison said that he was not going to ask for the people to vote for him. He asked the people to vote for the right person, the person who is going to lead Homedale in the right direction.

"It doesn't matter who the mayor is, just as long as he's taking us in the right direction," he said.

Wilson summed up by saying that he wanted to be accessible to all of Homedale's citizens. He said the city has voted for sewers to be hooked up, but they have not all been hooked up.

"I think we've wasted a lot of money, and with these grants, if you're not using them right, you're not going to keep getting these grants," Wilson said. "You've got to use the money for what it's dedicated for, and what the people of our city vote for, we should do what they want. It's their money."

— RTH

√ Marsing: New business, water top three candidates' lists

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said.

Herman said that there is a wealth of knowledge in the community, and the city should invite discussion on alternatives for the completion of the project and "something may spark, something may happen." If not, Marsing needs to trust its engineers and follow through with the project, she said.

The candidates were asked to project three years, five years, and 10 years into the future and describe their visions.

Green said that he would like to see a park for the city's youth built and the water and sewer projects completed, and he would love to see the irrigation system in Marsing updated.

He would also like to see new business come into Marsing, such as a drug store or a second gas station. He would like to see the city limits expanded, and for the city to work out a way to give people in Marsing's impact area a voice in local politics.

Thomas said that he would

like to see a comprehensive plan developed covering Marsing and its impact areas, both in Canyon and Owyhee counties.

He said that Marsing's population would grow from 900 to between 1,200 and 1,500 within 10 years.

Herman said that she has trouble imagining Marsing keeping its current camaraderie with the growth Thomas envisions, and would prefer to be optimistic and see less growth.

Growth is important, but that growth must be planned for, she said.

"I'm a little more on the other side of the fence, and the term 'selfish' might come in, but I kind of like it the way we are," she said.

The floor was opened up for audience questions, and Marsing resident Roger Howard asked whether Green or Thomas, if elected, would be available during regular business hours to discuss concerns with citizens, especially in light of the fact that the mayor's salary had just been increased.



Small crowd gathers for Marsing forum

The Marsing candidates forum held Wednesday at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center attracted less than 40 people.

Howard suggested that the office hours be set from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. four days prior to city council meetings.

Thomas said that Howard's idea was a good one, and that one of the reasons he waited until he retired before running for mayor was so he would have a lot of time to talk to the public. Thomas said that he would set aside considerably more than two hours for such discussions.

He said that he would like to introduce public discussion of all matters up for vote at the city

council, as had been done in the past.

"My idea is a government for the people, by the people, but I need the people to do it," he said.

Green said that he planned to be a proactive mayor with an open-door policy. He said that he would be available to citizens by appointment, which he said would be preferable to visitors coming to see him only to find that he was out of the office for some reason.

— RTH

√ Polls: GV voters face decisions on water, sewer

From Page 10B
their water and sewer systems:

• **Proposition A** — Voters will be asked to decide if the city should obtain a \$70,000 bond to acquire the municipal sewer system — including the current lift station repair project — and consolidate the water and sewer association with the city council. The 30-year bond carries a maximum annual interest rate of 6 percent.

• **Proposition B** — The city must bring the arsenic levels in its water supply down to the EPA-mandated 10 parts per billion, and voters will be asked to approve a 30-year, \$1.53 million bond to pay for the arsenic removal system. Against the maximum APR of the bond is 6 percent.

— Results will appear Tuesday night on www.owyheepublishing.com

Foreign administrators study Homedale schools

S. American visitors tour all campuses in district, learn new techniques

Three South American school administrators were in Homedale last week participating in a job shadow program to learn about American schools.

The visitors, who visited town from Oct. 21 through Saturday, were part of a group of 21 administrators from Bolivia, Ecuador, and Venezuela who spent two weeks in the Boise area as part of a three-week civic education and school curriculum program co-sponsored by the Idaho Human Rights Education Center, the AFS Intercultural Global Leap program, and the U.S. Department of State. Other area schools involved in the program were Boise, Caldwell, Centennial, Melba, and Vallivue high schools, and Caldwell's Syringa Middle School. The program concludes this week in Washington, D.C., where the group will meet with state department officials.

The program combined leadership and civic education programs with case studies, technology integration assignments, and direct observation of Idaho schools to give visiting administrators tools, techniques and experience to develop curricula for their home schools. Another aim of the program is to establish educator networks between the four countries involved, including sister-school relationships between the host schools and the schools of the visitors.

Homedale's visitors were Carmelina Villegas of Ecuador, Mary Angulo of Bolivia, and Rafael Martinez of Venezuela. Villegas is administrator of one of the largest schools in Ecuador, a public school for girls in grades 8-12 with 4,500 students in Guayaquil, Ecuador's largest city. Angulo is head of a small, arts-oriented school of 450 students in Cochabamba, Bolivia's third-largest city. Martinez is administrator of a private, co-ed K-12 school of 750 students in the city of Santiago de los Caballeros

de Merida, in the Venezuelan Andes.

While in Homedale, the educators stayed in the homes of Homedale residents, and spent time at each of the schools in the Homedale School District. The administrators said that Homedale is a peaceful and welcoming place, probably owing to its rural nature. The visitors came from cities with populations ranging from 350,000 to 2.9 million.

Prior to coming to Homedale, they had attended leadership and citizenship workshops at Boise State University. They said that they had observed the concepts from the workshops in practice in Homedale. They also said that the warm welcome from the people of Homedale and the educational experience through the school district are priceless.

Through an interpreter, Villegas said that her observation was that the teachers in Homedale schools maintain discipline in the classroom and work toward an objective, yet in comparison to her school, the students were allowed more freedom of expression and more interaction with teachers. She was expecting to see technology at the schools, but was surprised at how well-equipped the schools are and how technology is so present in all of the schools, to the point of having computers in virtually every classroom. In contrast, she said that her school had been trying to build a stadium for 25 years, and has still not finished the project.

Angulo noted that the teachers she had observed were self-directed and very committed to their jobs, and demonstrated a high level of teamwork and communication with administrators. Angulo was very impressed with the availability and quality of written media, and liked the idea that American schools are dedicated to teaching the whole student — using a philosophy of teaching in life for life, for now and the future.

The supportive programs here



South American educators observe at HMS

Homedale Middle School counselor David Correa, left, served as interpreter for three educators from Bolivia, Venezuela and Ecuador during a tour last week. Here, HMS principal Luci Asumendi Mereness stands between Mary Angulo and Rafael Martinez as they observe Scott Michaelson's math class Thursday.

were something Angulo would like to apply at her school. She noted that there is a support system here for students who fall behind, people who are available to help that student catch up. Angulo said that because the only requirement would be the availability of tutors, the system could be implemented immediately in her school.

Martinez noted a high level of organization and communication in Homedale's schools. He said that the natural, healthy interaction between parents and teachers and the natural interaction in the schools among culturally diverse people were both remarkable.

Martinez said that he was impressed with how children at Homedale Elementary School go through skills application workshops to reinforce ideas taught in class, and would like to implement the reinforcement

workshop concept in his school.

Aside from financial considerations and limitations in equipment and technology, the visiting educators found nothing in Homedale schools that could not be implemented in their schools. Villegas said that the children in their schools are very much like children in Homedale, with the same dreams, and understand that their teachers are in charge of making those dreams come true using the materials that are available to them and with the limitations that they have to work with.

Homedale Middle School counselor David Correa, who served as a translator for the group, said that having the visitors in the school was beneficial for everyone.

"The students have this interest in knowing about people from other cultures," Correa said.

"You have come to enrich our schools."

Tim Rosandick, superintendent of the Homedale School District, said good things of the visitors.

"They have reinforced many good things that are going on in Homedale," Rosandick said. "They have been very complimentary, and I think it's genuine. I think if nothing else, the benefit to us in their visitation is the fact that they are outside observers coming in, with no agenda, saying 'You've got some great things going on in Homedale for kids.' That reinforces and energizes us and tells us that we are right in the direction in which we are trying to go."

"These people are the most wonderful, warm, kind, intelligent people, and we're going to be sad to see them leave."

— RTH

Irrigation districts hold monthly meetings, Gem holds election

The regular monthly meetings of the Ridgeview and Gem irrigation districts and the South Board of Control are scheduled for 1 p.m., 1:15 p.m., and 1:30 p.m., respectively, on Thursday, Nov. 8 at 118 S. 1st St. W. in Homedale.

Gem Irrigation District is holding an election for Division 3 director on Tuesday. Incumbent Dan Felty and challenger Dennis Turner are running for the position.

Felty also currently serves as chairman of the board for the

South Board directors.

Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Polling places are

Marsing City Hall for Precinct 1, and the South Board of Control watermaster's office, 19 W. 1st St.



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Adrian nips Mustangs for volleyball title

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Trojans senior pressures to end

Homedale High School senior defensive tackle Amador Cortinas fights through the Buhl offensive line to put pressure on Buhl quarterback Patrick Osterkamp. Photo by Gregg Garrett

Buhl buries Trojans' hopes

Homedale High School found out first-hand Saturday that football is a game of field position.

Making their first appearance in the state playoffs since 2003, the Trojans barely got off the bus before Buhl put its stamp on the two teams' opening-round game in the 3A tournament.

The Indians played with a short field in the first quarter, scoring quickly en route to a 34-0 victory over visiting Homedale.

"They took advantage of the fake punt and poor offensive execution early," first-year Trojans coach Rob Kassebaum said.

Homedale (3-6 overall) trailed 14-0 after the Indians used great field position afforded by their special teams to punch in two

**Buhl 34
Homedale 0**

Ryan Ryska completed four passes for 71 yards Saturday, but Homedale was unable to cope with the Buhl rush defense. The Trojans were held to minus-3 yards rushing and suffered their second shutout of the year.

short touchdowns.

It took Buhl one play from scrimmage to grab the lead.

Ryon Sirucek scored the first of his four TDs on an 8-yard run early in the first quarter. His short scamper was set up by teammate Eric Sengvanhpheng's 33-yard return of Rodrigo Villarreal's first punt of the night.

Sirucek scored again from 9 yards out on Buhl's next possession. This time, the short scoring drive was set up after Villarreal had to take a 26-yard loss after a bad snap on a punt.

Sengvanhpheng had 22 of the 34 yards on the drive.

"They were well-prepared," Kassebaum said.

While Homedale's special teams struggled early, the ground game never got off the ground. Buhl held the Trojans to minus-3 yards rushing for the game, including zero yards on 11 attempts for the junior Villarreal.

The Trojans' leading rusher was Micheal Wilhelm, who gained 16 yards on three carries in his final high school game.

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Adrian sews up State berth

Antelopes roll over Jordan Valley in High Desert finale for both teams

Adrian High School's football team put new meaning into "quick-strike" offense in the final minutes of the first half Friday.

The Antelopes scored three touchdowns in less than 2 minutes, including two scores 24 seconds apart, and clinched a 1A Oregon state playoff berth with a 63-28 High Desert League win over host Jordan Valley.

"We played a pretty good game except for three minutes at the



David Meyer

end of the second quarter where we gave up three long touchdowns," Jordan Valley first-year coach Tim McBride said.

The Mustangs' season ended at 1-6 in the HDL and 1-7 overall.

Adrian (4-4 overall, 4-3 HDL) won't play again for at least another nine days. With Spray-Mitchell knocking off Prairie City, 58-36, the

Antelopes earned the league's final playoff spot. Adrian owned

the tiebreaker over Prairie City for third place in the league, and needed Spray-Mitchell to triumph in order to keep the season alive.

Coach Paul Shenk's team awaits the winner of this weekend's game between Mohawk and McKenzie from District 5. As a No. 3 seed, Adrian will be on the road either in Marcola against Mohawk or in Finn Rock against McKenzie.

The Antelopes secured their second trip to the state playoffs in three years after erupting for 38 points in the second quarter.

The highlight of the second-quarter blitz was a school-record 99-yard touchdown run by Kyle

— See *Adrian*, page 15A

Antelopes knock off JV again for District 8 crown

Adrian, Jordan Valley to open 1A volleyball state playoffs at home

If the way the team played on two separate occasions five days apart is any indication, the Adrian High School volleyball team may be primed for a long run in the 1A Oregon state playoffs.

Five days after beating defending state champion Jordan Valley for the High Desert League championship, the Antelopes powered through for a three-game sweep, 25-13, 25-15, 28-26, over the Mustangs in the District 8 Tournament championship match Saturday in John Day, Ore.

"I was super proud of the way that my girls played as a team," Adrian coach Aimee Goss said. "Our success in the tournament was truly due to the contributions from each player."

"In the championship match, we picked up a lot of balls defensively and put our hitters in a great position to score. This was definitely our best played match of the season and showed our po-

tential as a team."

Tournament MVP Paige Branstiter rose up with 21 kills, and all-district player McKenzie Purnell continued her all-around play with 11 kills, 12 assists, four digs and four blocks. Branstiter also



Paige Branstiter

had seven digs against the Mustangs.

Adrian (23-4 overall) won the Sportsmanship Award at the district tournament. The Antelopes have a first-round bye and await the winner of tonight's match between Prospect and Elkton for a second-round state playoffs match Saturday in Adrian.

The Antelopes needed five games to beat Jordan Valley on the Mustangs' floor in the HDL regular-season finale for both squads early last week. Saturday was a different story.

"I think the girls were pretty disappointed in the way they played on Saturday," Jordan

— See *District*, page 15A

Rimrock falls to IC, misses football playoffs

The Rimrock High School football team just missed the 1A, Div. I state playoffs.

Facing Idaho City for the last conference playoff spot in the final game of the regular season, the Raiders were left standing on the doorstep as the Wildcats escaped with a 20-14 victory in Bruneau on Friday.

"We have taken a program that was in rough shape in the past, and turned it around into a competitive, aggressive, hard-working team," third-year coach Jim Clark said. "We only had four seniors this year. We have many returning players that did great things for us this year, and with a 40-20 win in our JV game against Idaho City, our juniors, sophomores, and freshmen hope to improve and become a dominant feature in the 1A ranks."

The Raiders (6-3 overall, 4-2 1A, Div. I) jumped out to an early 14-0 lead in the first quarter

on touchdown runs of 10 and 11 yards by running back Ricardo Araujo and a two-point pass from Nate Hofer to Sam Richardson.

The Wildcats (8-1, 5-1) clawed back with a 35-yard touchdown pass in the first quarter, and two more TDs in the second quarter.

Araujo led the Raiders with 131 yards rushing on 25 attempts.

Clark praised his team's effort this season, and expressed optimism about the young squad's future while praising his four upperclassmen from 2007.

"Jose Araujo and Alberto Ontiveros had never played football before, but ended the season as big contributors to the team," he said. "Nate Hofer and Carlos Salinas were returning seniors who both had played four years and were a very big part of our team. Both were injured in our Wilder game, and have been playing on nothing but guts and heart the last two weeks."

Sports

Adrian rallies to wrest HDL title from Jordan Valley

Branstiter piles up 31 kills in Antelopes' come-from-behind win

Adrian High School's volleyball players found an extra gear when their backs were to the wall against the defending state champions. Trailing by 10 points and sitting 10 points from elimination, the Antelopes rallied in Game 4 on Oct. 23 and grabbed a five-game victory over Jordan Valley to secure the High Desert League championship. "This was a battle to the finish," Adrian coach Aimee Goss said. "I was very pleased that in the fourth game even down 5-15 we didn't give up and swung some of that momentum back our way, and that carried us pretty much the fifth game to finish up. The Antelopes (21-4 overall, 10-0 HDL) outscored the Mustangs (11-3, 9-1) 20-7 the rest of the way through the fourth game to wrap up the top seed in the District 8 Tournament with a 23-25, 23-25, 25-23, 25-22, 15-9 win. Adrian also knocked off Jordan

Valley in five games last year for the HDL championship before the Mustangs cranked up their season and stormed to the state championship. "Overall, I was really happy with the way the girls played," Jordan Valley coach Jacque Naegle said of last week's showdown. "I have a lot of confidence in their skills and where they are mentally and what they are going to do with the rest of their season." The Mustangs seemed to be right where they wanted to be at the start against their archrivals. While Elisa Eiguren began a night that would end with 10 kills and 10 service points, Jordan Valley grabbed slim victories in the first two games. "We seemed to start out the match slow and had a hard time maintaining momentum at critical times the entire match," Goss said.

Adrian, which was led by 31 kills from 6-foot-1 senior Paige Branstiter, captured another tight, high-scoring game to narrow the gap. Senior setter Kassi Daugherty racked up 21 assists for Adrian. "Adrian is a tough team, and they hit very well against us," Naegle said. "We had some key blocks, but at times had some mental lapses that got us in trouble and cost us the lead." Kayla Cuvelier led the Jordan Valley defense with four blocks. Catie Kershner and Nickie Naegle again split the glory at setter. They had 12 assists apiece, while Naegle had seven digs and Kershner five. Teammate Annie Mackenzie served a team-high 12 points, and contributed five digs, while Jessie White racked up eight kills. McKenzie Purnell had six kills and five assists for the Antelopes. She also carded three blocks. Adrian's service game was paced by three aces from Kirsten Phillips, who also came up with seven digs.

Adrian JV nets sweep in Jordan

The Adrian High School junior varsity volleyball team joined the varsity in a sweep of Jordan Valley on Oct. 23. The Antelopes prevailed 20-25, 25-20, 15-13 in the JV precursor to the varsity teams' showdown for the High Desert League championship in Jordan Valley. Shelly Payne and Emma Johnson recorded four kills apiece for the Mustangs. Ashley Hebison had seven assists and four digs. Michelle Telleria also added four digs for Jordan Valley.

HMS football banquet set

The Homedale Middle School football program will celebrate a season that ended with playoff wins for both teams during its end-of-the-year banquet Thursday. The dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m. inside the middle school cafeteria on Johnstone Road. Both the seventh- and eighth-grade teams won their playoff games on Oct. 16, and those victories capped hard work and steady improvement throughout the season, the coaches said. Both teams wrapped up their schedules on winning streaks.

✓ Adrian: Antelopes return to playoffs after a year away

From Page 14A Rogers with 27 seconds left in the half.

The senior 1,000-yard runner picked up 151 of his 192 yards against the Mustangs on two plays 24 seconds apart. Adrian got the ball back with only seconds remaining in the second quarter, and Rogers lit off on a 52-yard run to give the Antelopes a 44-6 advantage at the intermission.

Bryce Kershner scored on a 2-yard run in the first half for Jordan Valley's first points. Koehl Trautman turned up as the Mustangs' leading rusher with 43 yards on seven attempts, while teammate Zac Fillmore had 34 yards on six carries. Fillmore also caught three passes for 46 yards.

Receiver Tad Jones, who caught six balls for 106 yards, including a 32-yard TD reception from Tim Eiguren in the fourth quarter, paced Jordan Valley's offense.

Eiguren also fired an 11-yard TD to Fillmore later in the final period.

It was Fillmore's second score of the day. He also ran in from 3 yards out in the third quarter.

But Adrian struck quickly after Fillmore's first score. David Meyer returned the ensuing kickoff 65 yards for a 50-12 Adrian lead.

Meyer scored his fourth TD of the game near the end of the third quarter when he returned an interception 60 yards for a touchdown. It was the second of two picks for Meyer and part of five interceptions for Adrian's defense.

Meyer also caught two TD passes from Blake Ishida in the second quarter.

He hauled in a 38-yard scoring strike 48 seconds into the period, and he and Ishida hooked up on a 42-yard play about midway through the stanza.

Three of the four passes completed by the Antelopes went for touchdowns. Halfback Kyle Osborn and quarterback Ishida got together on a 60-yard TD on the game's final play.



Blake Ishida

✓ District: JV begins State at home today

From Page 14A Valley coach Jacque Naegle said. "They came off a pretty good game against Adrian on (Oct. 23) for the league title, and Saturday we just didn't get a lot going." While Adrian will wait to find out its opponent in a second-round state playoff match Saturday on the Antelopes' home floor, Jordan Valley (12-4 overall) will play host to the third seed from the Big Sky League tonight. And Naegle said the Mustangs are prepared to take another shot at the state playoffs. "They did stick with it, and after the game they were talking about what they needed to do to regroup and get ready for our State game," the coach said. "I have great faith in the girls that we will get up and get things going this week and back on track in executing our game."

Naegle said a lack of execution on both offense and defense hurt the Mustangs against Adrian on Saturday. Kayla Cuvelier had eight kills and two digs to lead the Mustangs. Jessie White added five kills and three digs. Catie Kershner and Nickie Naegle were held far below their average for assists, though. Kershner had nine, and Naegle grabbed seven.

JV def. Crane The Mustangs opened the district tournament Saturday at Grant Union High School with a hard-fought, five-game second-round victory over Crane. Naegle said she expected just what Jordan Valley got from Crane in a 16-25, 25-18, 14-25, 25-18, 16-14 victory. "They have improved a lot through the year, and they are really on here at the end," Naegle

said. "When our game against Crane started, we were just in slow motion." Cuvelier served for 13 points and was one of three Jordan Valley athletes to attain eight kills in the long victory. Athena Beckwith and Elisa Eiguren also had eight kills apiece.

Adrian def. M-D All-district player Andrea Shenk served two aces and came up with five digs to fuel Adrian's 25-14, 25-18, 25-18 victory in the second round Saturday. The Antelopes had earned an opening-round bye by virtue of their HDL championship. Jayna Witty chimed in with eight kills against the Tigers, while Kassi Daugherty notched 15 assists and three kills. Purnell served several aces and had eight kills.

✓ Trojans: Defense shows flashes in game

From Page 14A Homedale managed seven first downs, but had only two drives of 10 plays or more. "They made a lot of stops for negative yardage or barely any yardage," Kassebaum said. "We had a lot of 2nd-and-long and 3rd-and-long situations that made it difficult to move the ball." Ryska found some success through the air and was sacked only twice. Patrick Osterkamp did return

a Ryska interception 50 yards for the Indians' fourth score, but Ryska bounced back to complete his final two passes. He hit Grant Sweet for a quick first down to start a drive after Sirucek's fourth TD. Two plays later, Ryska fired an 18-yard strike to Zach Tolmie on a 3rd-and-24. Homedale converted on fourth down when Villarreal racked up 14 yards on his longest run of the game. "They did a good job not

dwelling on the negative things," Kassebaum said of his players. There were glimpses of success from the Trojans' defense. Perhaps taking his cue from Zach Tolmie, who had sacked Osterkamp earlier in the second quarter, sophomore defensive lineman Aaron Proferes dropped the senior quarterback for a 12-yard loss two plays after junior linebacker Brandon Valadez had swatted down a pass from the 6-foot senior.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense



O.B. chain marathon

Charlie survived and is now a member of that elite group of cowmen who have run the O.B. Chain Marathon.

“O.B. chain” for you readers who are poultry producers and might think this refers to manacles worn by Over the Border illegals or a delicate veterinary instrument used to spay heifers by Ovary Burglars, it is not. O.B. stands for *Obstetrical*. Obstetrics, obstetricians ... refers to pregnancy, labor and birth.

During a calving ... well, let me tell you Charlie’s story. He and his brother run a modest-sized cow ranch in the pretty rolling country north of Lewistown, Mont. It was a wet spring, and the brothers were in the midst of calving outside. They had bought 100 bred heifers. They worked together during the day and took turns each night so the other could get some sleep.

The night of the marathon, Charlie drove out through the calving pasture shining his headlights and spotlighting the group. An experienced hand in the calving can detect the subtle differences in a resting cow and one in the process of parturition. It is a developed skill.

The heifer in question was obviously engaged. He parked the pickup so the lights shone upon her. Taking a rubber bucket with his O.B. chains and handles, he snuck around behind her. She never moved as he lathered up, reached in and felt a hoof presenting itself into the birth canal. Charlie deftly built a loop in the O.B. chain, a slipknot if you will, and placed it around the protruding fetlock. He pulled to snug it tight. It was at that moment she came out of her trance. The other end of the chain pulled tight around his wrist, where he had temporarily hung the other slipknot.

Jerked to his feet as she sprang up, he had a fleeting thought of being launched into orbit! The ruckus roused the other cows! Through the coulees, up the bank, across the grass, down the slope, along the manure-covered hay feeding trail alternately running, skating, slewing, bouncing, dragging and plowing, in her wake in the moonlight, he accompanied her for three hours. Soggy, sweating and gasping for breath, he finally pulled loose and collapsed.

Depending on how fast a pregnant heifer can run dragging 180 pounds of cowboy, including 5 pounds of mud, I’m guessing they covered 12 to 15 miles in that three hours.

That might make the record book in the O.B. Chain Marathon for both time and distance!

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*

They may come for you next



I have no idea why I started smoking. Neither of my parents smoked. I was 16, and it just seemed the thing to do.

I was hooked almost immediately. I couldn’t buy cigarettes in our hometown so I would drive about 10 miles to a rural grocery store to buy a pack — about 25 cents in those days. My sister and her husband, both smokers, lived near my parents. In the evening I would go there — supposedly to visit — but mainly to smoke.

Over the years I tried to quit several times. After going a few days or weeks, I always fell off the wagon. My rationalization always was, “Well, I’ve still got plenty of time to quit. I still have a fudge factor. I’m not that old!”

Now I’m 62 years old. I have run plumb out of fudge.

By the time this column appears, I will be in my third week of not smoking. I can’t say it has been easy, but with some will power and the aid of some new drugs, I have no intent of going back. Wait! I’m not a politician. Forget the “intent.” I’m through smoking.

The most important reason for quitting, of course, is health. I have been fortunate.

So far cigarettes haven’t created any major physical problems. But that cannot last. It would be nice to be around long enough to enjoy some retirement years and for my grandchildren to reach an age where they always will remember me.

But for me, a big incentive for quitting smoking is the opportunity to give “the finger” to the bureaucrats and dogooders in our modern, hypocritical, Nanny Society.

About 15 years ago, I went to lunch with several friends. We discovered our favorite eating place had done away with its smoking section (this was before there was a law). When Tom, a member of our group, heard the news, he stood up on a chair and yelled in a voice that could be heard all over the café, that smokers were being treated like African Americans in the pre-Civil Rights, racist South.

(He didn’t say it that diplomatically).

At the time, Tom’s declaration was embarrassing. But the years have proven him correct. Smokers are citizens — but they are second-class citizens — even though what they are doing (smoking) is perfectly legal. And every year they become more isolated and forced to carry heavier mental and financial burdens.

Need funding for a new road, children’s health care or environmental programs? Afraid the voters will be ticked off if you raise taxes? No problem. Add another couple of cents to the price of a pack of cigarettes. Let the smokers foot the bill. Smokers have no voice — no political power. Smokers are nasty and vile and responsible for most of the world’s problems. They deserve to be taxed. And wait ’til Al Gore announces smokers are responsible for Global Warming!

Smoking is bad for people. That is an absolute truth. So I’m quitting. And, given the current environment, I suspect a lot of other smokers will kick the habit (or die) over the next few years, too.

When the revenue from tobacco taxes starts declining (and it eventually will) the government will have to find a new whipping boy. It will be time to make another segment of the population social pariahs so they can be taxed without getting public sympathy. Folks who are overweight or can’t make it through the day without a drink should be very afraid. I’m betting fat people will get less sympathy than drinkers.

“When they came for the gypsies, I did not speak, for I am not a gypsy.

When they came for the Jews, I did not speak, because I wasn’t a Jew.

When they came for the Catholics, I did not speak, for I am not a Catholic.

And when they came for me, there was no one left to speak.”

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington

Wild outdoors calling again



by Sen. Mike Crapo

This time of year, many Idahoans take to the woods and fields to fill their elk, deer, bear, or mountain lion tags (for a fortunate few, a once-in-a-lifetime moose tag) as well as hunting waterfowl and upland game. Whether bow or rifle hunting, Idahoans pack up gear, ammunition and supplies to spend time enjoying breathtaking natural resources with family and friends — the very reason many choose to call Idaho home.

Teddy Roosevelt and Ernest Hemingway are just a few of the famous figures who have joined us locals hunting or fishing in Idaho’s world-class mountains, fields and streams. These activities generate critical local tourism dollars, and licensing fees provide for habitat and game management and conservation. In 2006 alone, 186,000 hunters spent \$271.6 million, and 361,000 fishermen and women spent \$295.3 million. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) anticipates receiving \$32 million in general license revenue for FY2007: 42 percent from residents; 58 percent from nonresidents. License fees, in part, fund monitoring wildlife populations; habitat management; depredation control for landowners; programs such as elk, mule deer and upland bird ecology; research on new and improved

management strategies; acquisition and improvement of habitat; and emergency winter feeding.

Idaho also realizes financial benefits from federal excise taxes levied on hunting. Annually, nearly \$200 million goes to state agencies to support wildlife management programs, the purchase of lands open to hunters, and hunter education and safety classes. Through 2005, proceeds from the Federal Duck Stamp had purchased more than 5 million acres of habitat for the refuge system, land that is usually open to hunting.

The economic benefit to local communities and the state is undeniable, not to mention the education that these experiences provide. As people young and old learn to respect and appreciate the immense beauty around them, they come to support responsible and fair resource management. This provides Idahoans the opportunity to explore collaborative efforts toward common access and management goals in the context of federal land and environmental regulations. Collaborative efforts of this nature are already bearing fruit across Idaho:

- I’ve been pleased to help facilitate the Owyhee

Commentary

Letters to the editor

Paul Fink is the right choice to lead Homedale into future

This letter is in support of re-electing Mayor Paul Fink. My partners and I have invested over \$6 million in Homedale and its impact area because we like Homedale’s residents and the community spirit. We think you have a great future if the growth opportunities are managed properly.

The city employees, the Chamber of Commerce, the City Council and the leadership provided by Mayor Fink give Homedale a distinct advantage over other communities competing for similar amenities and residents. You are very fortunate to have a close community with traditional American values. Mayor Fink brings these to the forefront in dealing with the state and federal entities that he interfaces with. He is not your typical politician. He spends time with residents, the city employees and council to gain their perspectives and insight. He fights for what he sees as right for the people of Homedale and nothing else.

Homedale is a great town and I urge you to elect leaders like Mayor Fink who will keep it that way.

Ron Mayhew, Eagle
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Homedale steps up to raise breast cancer awareness

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and each year Southwest District Health tries to put a unique twist to our awareness campaign in the hopes that we reach new segments of our community regarding the seriousness of the disease.

This year, we approached Mr. David Hart, Homedale High School athletic director, and head football coach Rob Kassebaum about promoting breast cancer awareness during a home game. They agreed and were wonderful to work with on the promotion. As a result, on Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, each of the football players wore a pink ribbon sticker on his helmet at the game in support of the promotion.

From this start, we then went to merchants in the Homedale community and asked if they would provide a promotional offer that we could place on our message to promote awareness about the disease and distribute to everyone attending the game. Owyhee Lanes, Paul’s Markets, Family Video and the Frosty Palace generously agreed to participate. In addition, Homedale Mayor Paul Fink proclaimed Oct. 19 as Breast Cancer Awareness Day in Homedale. We also asked Homedale High School seniors Sarah Scarratt and Katie Cammack to assist us in distributing the promotional cards to the fans and students — they came through for us, even in the rain!

On behalf of Southwest District Health, I would like to thank the Homedale community, Homedale High School, Mayor Fink, Mr. Hart, Coach Kassebaum, Owyhee Lanes, Paul’s Markets, Family Video and Frosty Palace for their support to our cause. It was a great community effort. Congratulations also to the Homedale Trojans for winning the game in difficult weather conditions.

For any woman seeking information on breast health and mammograms, please call 455-5439.

Kathy Moore, Men and Women’s Health Manager
Southwest District Health

Health and welfare
Open your home, heart to foster child

by Ross Mason

You don’t have to be perfect to be a perfect parent. It really is true. There are hundreds of children in Homedale, Marsing and nearby communities who would love to put up with you.

If this sounds a little familiar, it should. There is a campaign underway in southwest Idaho to recruit more foster parents.

We don’t have nearly enough to serve the children who desperately need a safe, secure and loving environment until they can return to their families. We need families who can step into that voluntary role.

Are you up to task? We hope so because the children out there need you.

Today, there are about 400 children in foster care in the six counties that make up the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare’s Region 3; including, Owyhee, Canyon, Gem, Payette, Washington and Adams counties. But we only have about 150 licensed and general foster care families. The math tells us we need more families to help.

How many? Our campaign calls for 100 beds in 100 days. We hope to achieve that goal by the end of the year, and you can help us succeed.

What does it take to be a foster parent? Well, as I mentioned a little earlier, you don’t have to be perfect. It can be a demanding job, but your commitment can make a big difference in a child’s life. When you open your home and heart to a child, you bring much-needed love, guidance



Ross Mason

and support to a child whose family is in crisis.

Typically that child might spend a few weeks or months with you. The time is usually short and goes by quickly, but your support can be so very important.

The basic requirements are simple. You must be 21 years or older; you must have adequate space in your home; your home must be a safe environment and you must have sufficient income.

If you meet the basics, let’s talk. There is a lot more for you to do, but if you’ve read this far, I’m betting that you are a great candidate to be a foster parent. We can help with the application process, and we have a group of existing foster parents who are ready to advise and support you.

The Department of Health & Welfare provides training and support. There is monthly reimbursement, and children in foster care receive medical and dental coverage from the state.

Your job is to help nurture them through this tough time. If you qualify, you could help us reach our goal of 100 beds and make a big difference in a child’s life. Get started today. Call the Idaho CareLine at 2-1-1.

— Ross Mason is Region III director for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. Currently there are seven foster families in Owyhee County, and six of those have welcomed 12 children into their homes. Nine Owyhee County children currently are part of the foster care system.

✓ Outdoors: Owyhee Initiative part of effort to preserve the state’s popular natural beauty

From Page 12B

Initiative, an historic land management effort seven years in the making that has brought together local, state, federal, tribal and private interests in a collaborative plan for millions of acres in Owyhee County.

If codified, ranchers will be able to plan for subsequent generations, off-road vehicle users and sportsmen will have access assured, and wilderness will be established. Tribal cultural resources will be protected and local, state and federal government agencies will have structure to assist their joint management of the region — all within the context of the preservation of environmental and economic health.

• Collaboration on sportsmen’s access has been facilitated by IDFG. Under the Access Yes! program (supported by the National Shooting Sports Foundation, Idaho sportsmen and

private landowners), 108 lease agreements have opened 634,956 private and 726,320 public acres to sportsmen and women.

A recent Idaho visitor wrote in the New York Times: “I drove once until there was no more road, and then hiked, with two of my brothers, until there was no more trail ... we found a deep pool at the base of a waterfall, hard by a grove of ancient cedars. We caught fish until our arms were tired, and then watched the night sky theatrics. There was river music, white noise for sleep. And I promised never to tell the exact location ...”

He has captured a bit of the mystery and wonder of Idaho in these few sentences; something that Idahoans enjoying the great Idaho outdoors this fall know well.

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

Letters to the editor policy

The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes letters to the editor.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

October 27, 1982

Dallas jury reaches verdict

Claude Lafayette Dallas, Jr. has been found guilty of voluntary manslaughter, in the shooting deaths of two Idaho Fish and Game officers on January 5, 1981.

Dallas had admitted shooting William Pogue and Conley Elms, but claimed he had done so in self-defense. The four-week trial was held in Caldwell, and the 12-member jury reached the verdict last Wednesday, after deliberating almost seven full days.

Dallas, 32, had been charged with first-degree murder in the shootings of the two officers, but the jury convicted him of the lesser charge after deliberating for more than 44 hours.

Dallas also was found guilty of using a firearm in the commission of a felony, which is a companion charge to each of the manslaughter convictions. He was found innocent of resisting arrest and was found guilty of concealing evidence.

Dallas could be sentenced up to 50 years in prison on the convictions. He faces a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison on each manslaughter conviction. An additional three to 15 years in prison can be added to each manslaughter conviction for using a firearm during the commission of a crime.

According to Idaho law, voluntary manslaughter is defined as “the unlawful killing of a human being without malice ... upon a sudden quarrel or heat of passion.”

Dallas’ sentencing has been tentatively scheduled for December 1 by Judge Edward Lodge.

Chamber to award \$300 during Spooktacular Sale

Thirty-three people will win an accumulated total of \$300 in Homedale bucks this Saturday, while children through sixth grade will be treated to a free Disney move at the high school, free cider and donuts will be available downtown, and participants, visitors, shoppers, anyone else in town will have the opportunity to “vote” for the best or spookiest, or whatever, merchant in costume, while local businesses will be offering “eerie” buys on goods and merchandise.

It’s all part of a one-day “Spooktaculaor Sale,” sponsored by the Homedale Chamber of Commerce, the retail committee and the local merchants.

Application okayed following hearing

An application concerning a change of use and exterior modifications of the Daly barn in Silver City was the subject of a public hearing Monday at Murphy.

Al Krause has filed a plan to convert the barn into a residence, install two windows, change the roofline on an attached shed, and reconstruct a rail fence around the building.

Seventeen people attended the hearing, most of whom own homes in the old mining town. Speaking in favor of the request included Joe Nettleton, Dave Wilper, Gayland Carr, Paul Nettleton, Julie Hyslop, Don LaFluer, Jan Beckwith and Ed Jagels.

Clarence Orton said he had no objection to changing the use to residential, but the change in the roofline on the shed and the proposed fence did not conform to the ordinance.

Following the hearing the commissioners approved the application for the use change and building modifications, but withheld a decision on the request to reconstruct the fence until further study is made.

Panthers can’t stop Trojans

The Homedale Trojan football squad was put into the state playoffs and in good position for the league title when it held a strong bulwark against the Parma Panthers Friday night at Parma.

The 17-8 win left the Trojans season record at seven wins and one loss.

The two teams went scoreless throughout the first quarter of the defensive battle.

50 years ago

October 31, 1957

Bob Logan aid fund begun to help injured footballer

A quota of \$1500 was set at a meeting Wednesday night at the Washington grade school when a Bob Logan aid fund was organized by about 20 persons representing local organizations, according to Dick Grazier, superintendent of schools.

Each organization represented set its quota at \$100 and a tentative deadline was set for December 10. An open account has been established at the Homedale bank in which to deposit money for the aid fund.

Felisa Echevarria, John Jesenko, Kenneth Downing and Mr. Frazier have been named trustees of the fund.

Organizations represented at the meeting were St. Hubert’s Altar Society, chamber of commerce, Holy Name, State Line Grange, Rebekahs, Odd Fellows, American Legion, Legion auxiliary, junior high school, Kiwanis, senior high school, Gem Priscilla club, men’s bowling league, women’s bowling league, and Homedale volunteer firemen.

Any other group not represented at the organization meeting is wholeheartedly welcome to participate, Mr. Fazier said.

Any individual who wishes to make a direct donation is welcome to mail his contribution or leave it at the bank.

Trojans lose close 7-6 heartbreaker to New Plymouth

Homedale came out on the short end of a kicking duel Friday when it lost to New Plymouth 7-6. The difference came when Howard Brooks’ conversion kick was a shade to the left of the goal posts.

The Trojans scored their TD in the 3rd quarter on a 3-yard scamper by Laren Waite. New Plymouth matched the touchdown and converted with six minutes left.

The Trojans had a short but balanced offense, picking up 61 yards on the ground and 52 through the air.

In the dying moments of the game, Junior Uranga’s pass to Jay Jackson netted 40 yards and put the Trojans 14 yards from pay dirt. But Homedale fumbled and New Plymouth then stalled out the last moments.

Writer tells of ghost towns, once lead cities of Idaho

We read much these days about ghost towns, and as you see many of them in your desire to study the past riches of those once famous mining camps, you are agreeably surprised when you come in sight of this wonderful town of the past. Almost all buildings are here as they were in hey-day times as one of our most remarkable pioneer towns.

Buildings are empty of people, but memories of the golden past are bulging to the doors in territorial history. Two hotels known then all over the mining west were the Idaho and War Eagle. The Idaho remains to remind the tourists of what it looked like then, although dreadfully weather-beaten and warped from the ravages of time. The broken boardwalk in front of the hotel is a mass of old boards. On this porch is where Marion More, a prominent mining town man of Silver City and Boise Basin, was murdered. Mores Creek was named in his honor.

The War Eagle is not there anymore. It probably was torn down or burned. In pioneer days it was equally as prominent as the Idaho hotel.

Some of our prominent people were born in Silver City. One I recall very vividly is the late U.S. senator John F. Nugent. He went to school there and later his parents, Jude and Mrs. Edward C. Nugent, moved to Boise, where John lived until he passed away.

Silver City is located in a little valley at the foot of the majestic War Eagle mountain, towering heavenward 8,000 feet. Florida mountain nearby is punctured all the way around with tunnels where millions of dollars were taken from the bowels of this famous mountain.

Browsing around in this historic town, one can often see deer feeding alongside the mountains.

A trip to Silver is well worth the effort. Of course, one has to know the condition of the roads. They are impassable in winter.

140 years ago

October 26, 1867

THE DISTRICT COURT ended its session last evening, and Judge Cummins goes to Boise City today. Owing to the superabundance of Indian excitement, we are unable to give the Court proceedings this week. We would say, however, that M. L. Smith, who pleaded quality to arson in the second degree, has been sentenced to eight years hard labor in the Territorial prison, and Dan McCarty’s trial is adjourned till next Court.

EPISOCPAL CHURCH. At a meeting of the citizens of Silver City, held on the evening of the 21 inst, it was resolved that in the opinion of this meeting the inhabitants of Silver City will pledge to Bishop Tuttle the sum of \$150 per month in greenbacks for the support of a resident clergy-man of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

2d. That a committee of five be appointed to continue communication with the Bishop and to circulate, when called upon by him, a subscription paper to procure the pledged salary.

THE MINSTRELS. The Apollo Minstrels have been performing here for several nights. They attract full houses every night and make the people laugh exceedingly. Some of their local hits are admirable. All who have been to the “show” concur in saying that Eugene Holman is over average — especially in the Terpsichorean department. All who are morose or have the blues: in fact, everybody should hear Lizzie Gibson sing “Putting on Airs,” and the “Charming Young Widow,” by Kitty Holman. They have a splendid bill for to-night and all should go and see them and have a good laugh.

SHOCKING MASSACRE. Again it is our painful duty to record one of the most terrible Indian massacres that has ever taken place in our midst. From M. S. Strong, of Jordan Valley, and others, we learn the following particulars: On last Monday morning, Sergeant Denoile and wife and Sergeant Nichols, of Camp C. F. Smith, started in a four-horse ambulance from Camp Lyons, on their way to Fort Boise. They had proceeded about nine miles, arriving at a point half-way between Camp Lyon and Reynolds Creek, when they were attacked and fired into by a party of Indians, who lay concealed among the rocks near the roadside. Denoile, who was driving, immediately threw up his hands, exclaiming: “My God! I am shot!” dropped the reins and fell from the ambulance. The horses then ran at full speed about half a mile. Nichols, who was armed with a Henry rifle, fired several shots at the savages in the interim. The horses then became in some manner entangled in the harness and one of them fell. Nichols leaped from the ambulance, as also did Mrs. Denoile, who appeared perfectly frantic. The Indians were then only two or three hundred yards away and Nichols endeavored to persuade Mrs. Denoile to take shelter with him among some rocks a few yards distant, instead of which she started back towards her murdered husband. Nichols, to save his own life, sought shelter in the rocks and commenced shooting at his pursuers. He finally succeeded in getting out of sight of the Indians, and arrived in a pitiful plight a short time before dark at Carson’s Ranch, on Reynolds Creek. He says the last he saw of Mrs. Denoile she was in the hands of the fiends.

STAGE ATTACKED. The Railroad Stage, from Hunter’s was fired into by Indians yesterday morning about two o’clock. It occurred about ten miles from Silver near Cottonwood. Only the driver and Mr. Brooks, from Sheep Ranch, were on board. One of the fiends was shot, ran a few yards and dropped dead. The boys fired several shots at their assailants, who, deeming it too hot, ran away. The driver and Mr. Brooks received no harm. They cut the dead horse loose, put the out the lamps and drove the three horses and stage to the station. It was undoubtedly the same band of Indians who have been committing predations hereabouts for several days.

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Powdered & Brown Sugar



\$1.29
ea.
32 oz.

Western Family 12 oz.
Evaporated Milk **69¢**
ea.

Western Family
**Semi-Sweet & Milk
Chocolate Chips**



\$1.69
ea.
11.5-12 oz.

Western Family 14 oz.
Sweetened Condensed Milk **\$1.19**
ea.

**Pepsi
Products**



3 \$11
for
12pk 12oz Cans

2 Liter Bottle
Pepsi Products **\$1.29**
ea.

**Natural Ice or
Light Beer**



\$8.99
ea.
24pk 12oz Cans

12pk 12oz Bottles
Corona Regular or Light Beer **\$13.99**
ea.

Western Family
Cottage Cheese **\$3.19**
ea.
24 oz.

Western Family
Tradition Soup **2 \$3**
for
19 oz.

Western Family
Refried Beans **59¢**
ea.
16 oz.

Ortega Chiles **99¢**
ea.
4 oz.

Western Family
Canned Cat Food **39¢**
ea.
5.5 oz.

Western Family
Chunk Style Dog Food **\$5.59**
ea.
20 lb.

Western Family
Hot Cocoa Mix **\$1.29**
ea.
10 ct.

Betty Crocker
Brownie Mix **\$1.29**
ea.
18.3-19.9 oz.

Inland Valley
Frozen Potatoes **\$2.19**
ea.
32 oz.

Budget Gourmet,
Michelina's & Yu Sing
Asst'd Entrees **\$1.29**
ea.

All Liquid
Detergent **2 \$9**
for
100 oz.

Surf
Powder Detergent **2 \$9**
for
78-81 oz.

Hunt's
Tomato Sauce **39¢**
ea.
8 oz.

Western Family
Light Amber Walnuts **\$5.09**
ea.
16 oz.

Dixie
Paper Plates **2 \$5**
for
22-60 ct.

Kellogg's Frosted Mini
Wheats & Honey Nut
Cereals 16-18 oz. **\$3.19**
ea.

Western Family
Bagged Candy **\$1.09**
ea.
6-8 oz.

Kleenex
Facial Tissue **\$2.29**
ea.
180-280 ct.

Miller Chill
Alcoholic Beverage **\$5.99**
ea.
6pk Bottles

Lay's Chips &
Tostitos **2 \$5**
for
9.5-13.25 oz.

Hostess Donuts **2 \$5**
for
13-16 oz.

Windshield
Washer Fluid **\$2.19**
ea.
1 Gallon

**Congratulations
Kathlyn Welch
Winner of the
Halloween Piñata!**

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