

Chambers putting final touches on holiday plans

Marsing business leaders plan 'A Day at the North Pole' on Saturday

hashed out more details on the annual Christmas parade last week.

Meanwhile, the Marsing Chamber of Commerce continues to prepare for its "A

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce Day at the North Pole" community event that will take place Saturday.

Homedale's parade will be held at 10 a.m. on Dec. 8. Parade entrants will line up on East Owyhee Avenue in front of Tolmie's Ace Hardware at 9 a.m.

There will be prizes for the top three parade entries.

The annual drawing for turkeys and gift bags from local businesses will be held at the conclusion of the parade. Businesses will contribute either a gift bag or a turkey for the drawing, and entry forms will be published in a special shopping sec-

tion of the Dec. 5 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche.

Each business will have a drop box for residents to submit their entry forms between Dec. 5 and Dec. 7. The entries and gift baskets will be collected between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Dec. 7.

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Basque Center hosts Wish Tree casino night

As Christmas draws near, community leaders once again are attempting to provide for the needs of some of the area's less fortunate families through the Homedale community Wish Tree.

Each year, the Homedale School District gives the Beta Sigma Phi ladies club a list of families that could use some help. This year, more than 200 children from 60 area families are on the list.

Beta Sigma Phi creates tags to hang on Wish Trees, which are displayed at businesses throughout Homedale. Each tag has the age, clothing size, and Christmas wishes of a person on the list. Anyone wishing to help out someone in need can take a tag, purchase a gift, and return the gift and tag to the location where the tag was picked up.

Beta Sigma Phi purchases gifts for those whose Wish Tree tags remain on the tree.

The club is holding a Casino Night fundraiser to benefit the Wish Tree on Saturday at Txoko Ona, 333 S. Main St. in Homedale. The party will go from 6 p.m. to

Avalanche drive begins

The Owyhee Avalanche's annual gift drive for residents of Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center in Homedale is under way through Dec. 21.

A Christmas wish list for the residents can be found on Page 9 in today's edition. The wish list also gives details on how to drop off presents at the Avalanche office on East Idaho Avenue.

1 a.m., with a social hour from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. and blackjack starting at 7 p.m.

Both silent and live auctions are scheduled, with various donated





Pot of gold in City Park?

Motorists traveling east out of Homedale on East Idaho Avenue early last week were treated to a rainbow after a late-afternoon rainstorm. The phenomenon seemingly originated from the middle of City Park.

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Public meeting to address airport's future

Business owners at the Homedale Municipal Airport will hold a public meeting Monday to discuss the future of the airfield. The meeting, which has been planned to look at future development ideas, is scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday at the Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant. For more information, call John Rogers at 337-5506.

items up for bid. Chorizos, beer, and wine will be available as well. For more information, contact Diana Maxwell at 573-2285, or Lori Badiola at 573-8456.



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Couple takes over Homedale drama program

Group plans suite of performances, including an original play set in Paul's

have stepped in to fill the void in Homedale High School's drama program created when Brenda Paxton left to take a teaching position at the Idaho Arts Charter School in Nampa.

"Members of the Drama Club were a little concerned when Mrs. Paxton left," DeAnn Thatcher said. "I helped a little last year, and told the members that I would be happy to help this year. I am thrilled to be the Drama coach. My husband, Mark, is our staff supervisor for Drama."

The Thatchers have lived in Homedale for almost 14 years. Mark has taught Science and Math at the high school for 11 years, while DeAnn has been a substitute teacher and special needs aide in the Homedale School District for the past two.

DeAnn Thatcher said that the Drama Club, which usually meets twice a week, at noon or in the evening, will present two plays at 7 p.m. on Monday at Homedale High School. The club will present "A Mixed Up Fairy Tale at Paul's" and "Hansel and Gretel and the Big Woods." Admission is \$2 for all ages. The club also will perform the plays at Homedale Elementary School at 10:15 a.m. the same day.

"These first plays have been chosen with our elementary crowd in mind since we will be performing for the students," DeAnn Thatcher said. "However, these plays will be a delight for all ages. We hope to make the stage in the old gym of Homedale High School come to life."

"A Mixed Up Fairy Tale at Paul's," which is set in Paul's Market, was written two years ago by Homedale resident Karissa Webb, who was 11 years old at the time.

"It is a true Homedale original, and we are proud to perform it," DeAnn Thatcher said, and added: "We found 'Hansel and Gretel and the Big Woods,'

DeAnn and Mark Thatcher written by Jeanette Jaquish, on the Internet."

Cast members in the plays include Shane Witt, Jessica Westergard, Kirsi Thatcher, Kelsey Thatcher, Dayton Syme, Shravan Sriganesh, Corina Sanchez, Jonathan Page, Jacob McAbee, Allen McAbee, Nickele Mainarick, Sarah Maggard, Mark Klug, Joshua Klug, Aldin Juarez, Jessica Henry, Sam Hart, Gage Egurrola, Ada Demshar, Shawnee Davis, Beth Davis, Karly Bertagnolli, Megan Barraza, Elizabeth Baltierrez, and Kyle Abels. Props specialists are Cristina Garcia and Brook Fry.

DeAnn Thatcher also assists the group by gathering and making costumes and directing, among other things.

"The kids have a lot of natural talent," she said. "So a little direction of where to walk and how loud to be is what is required. A big part of the job is coordinating performances. It is quite a trick to find a time to schedule the stage in the midst of all the school activities."

The Drama Club is looking at several plays to perform in the spring, and will make a decision after the upcoming performance.

"On a side note," DeAnn Thatcher said, "if anyone is interested in supporting the arts at Homedale High, our stage really needs a face lift. Our stage is well worn. At the least, it needs some paint and some new wood panels for backdrops. In our dreams, we need curtains, the stage floor resurfaced, some new lights (with new wiring), and a sound system.

"We hope to provide entertainment for our community and furthering education for our members. Students who develop self-confidence, improve memorization skills, and broaden their creativity become outstanding citizens. We are proud to help students succeed." — RTH





Drama Club stops the show at Paul's

Students showed up in costume at Paul's to promote their Monday performance. Top: Front (from left): Jonathan Page, Beth Davis, Aldin Juarez, Sarah Maggard, Kelsey Thatcher, Jessica Westergard. Middle (from left): Shane Witt, Kyle Abels, Elizabeth Baltierrez, Megan Barraza, Kirsi Thatcher, Shawnee Davis, Jessica Henry Back (from left): Gage Egurrola, Joshua Klug, Dayton Syme. Above: Elves parade through Paul's (from left): Gage Egurrola, Shane Witt, Beth Davis, and Jonathan Page.

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district meetings set

The Ridgeview Irrigation District, Gem Irrigation District, and South Board of Control will hold their regular monthly meetings on Tuesday at 118 S. First St. W. in Homedale.

The Ridgeview meeting will begin at 1 p.m. The Gem and South Board meetings follow at 1:15 and 1:30 p.m. respectively.

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beginning with an early-bird game at 6:45 p.m.

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The rest of the action starts at 7 p.m. on the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center at 126 2nd St. N., in Marsing. Proceeds from bingo night benefit community activities.

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House renovations ignite



Fire ravages Homedale house

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Bruneau boy found innocent in uncle's death

Teen had been charged in wake of accidental shooting in August

A 17-year-old Bruneau boy was found not guilty of the charge of involuntary manslaughter in the accidental shooting death of his uncle, Henry Smith.

Owyhee County Magistrate Judge Dan Grober found the youth, whose name was not released because of his age, innocent on Nov. 19, in a trial that began on Nov. 15. According to Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Faulks, Grober heard several hours of testimony from Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies and persons who were at the scene when the shooting occurred before rendering a verdict in the case.

Without going into detail, Faulks said that the circumstances surrounding the case warranted the filing of charges.

"Though I have seen a number of cases involving accidental shootings and shooting deaths, this is the first time that I have chosen to bring a charge on a negligent or reckless shooting," Faulks said. "The basis for the charging was the reported chain of events that led to the shooting along with the prior history of this juvenile."

The prosecutor confirmed that the youth has a prior record in the juvenile court system. Faulks clarified his statement by saying: "Though a charge was brought, at no time has there been any assertion that this was anything other than an accidental shooting."

Smith, 15, died from a gunshot wound to the head on Aug. 6, when the gun the two boys were looking at went off.

- RTH

From page

Deputy: Commissioners OK \$30,000 to have legal counsel at meetings

ic duties.

According to the agreement, Emery, who previously had been the Canyon County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, will work an estimated five days per month, mainly Mondays.

"We hired him to assist at commissioners meetings," Owyhee County Board of Commissioners chair Dick Freund said. "He did for the first few weeks, but Mr. that Mr. Emery will be assigned

and Faulks as to Emery's specif- Faulks has decided that he is going to do civil, and Emery is going to handle criminal cases."

Faulks said Emery will be assigned to duties to maximum efficiency.

"In Owyhee County the Magistrate Court motion day is set for each Monday, which occurs at the same time as most regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners," Faulks said. "It is intended where his services are most effectively applied to assist the needs of the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney and Owyhee County."

Emery is being paid \$400 for each 8-hour workday, and \$50 for each additional hour of work for the county. The money is coming out of the Prosecuting Attorney's budget for 2007 and 2008.

County officials say the primary need for a deputy in the prosecutor's office is to provide coverage on Mondays to both the Board of Commissioners meeting and Owyhee County court sessions. The agreement also mentions that Emery may cover the Homedale city court one half-day per week, provide legal advice to county officials, and take on other duties as assigned.

According to County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn, the Board of Commissioners wanted legal counsel at board meetings to answer any legal questions that may arise. Faulks had a conflict with the Magistrate Court in session on Mondays. The commissioners approved the hiring of a deputy prosecutor to provide coverage for the commissioners meetings.

Emery also operates a private law office in Boise and is a real estate agent with Realty Executives Choice One of Nampa.

- RTH

Chambers: Homedale Christmas parade planned for Saturday, Dec. 8

As in years past, Santa Claus will cap the parade. He also will be handing out bags filled with goodies donated by Kitfox Aircraft, Bowen-Parker-Day, Alli-

ance Title and Tolmie's.

This year's parade will include entries from local businesses as well as the Homedale High School marching band and choir. Home-

will ride in the parade, too.

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce has decided to forego a holiday parade this year and in-

dale Mayor-elect Harold Wilson stead will present "A Day at the North Pole."

> The event is scheduled to take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday at the Phipps-Watson Mars

ing American Legion Community Center. Santa Claus will be on hand for photos. The Chamber is seeking ways to involve local businesses in the event.

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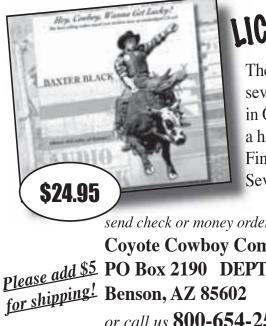


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Obituary

Mary Faye Dines

Mary Faye Dines, 93, of Nampa, formerly of Marsing, passed away Tuesday, November 20, 2007 at a local care facility of natural causes. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, November 26, at Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Burial followed at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, Marsing. Friends called at Dakan Chapel on Sunday afternoon from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. Condolences may be sent to the family at www. dakanfuneralchapel.com .

Faye was born June 15, 1914 at Jonesboro, Tennessee to Lee and Eva Brown Hays. At the age of 7 she moved with her family to Idaho and settled in the Homedale area. She attended school at Homedale. Faye married Russell Dines on Jan. 27, 1934 and



together they raised 6 children. She was a member of Marsing Nazarene Church.

Faye was preceded in death by her husband; an infant son, Donald Ray; her parents; a sister, Eulah Hays; and a brother, Lee Hays.

She is survived by her children and their spouses, Lucille (Don) Aldrich of Nampa, Frank (Ellen) Dines of Marsing, Donna (Bob) Webb of Adrian, OR, Ralph (Margaret) Dines of Marsing, George (Jackie) Dines of Marsing and Richard (Sherry) Dines of Marsing; 13 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and 2 great great-grandchildren. She is also survived by 2 brothers, Robert (Mary Lou) Hays and Carl (Marge) Hays all of Homedale; and a sister, Velma Milligan of Nampa.

Memorials may be sent to the Marsing Ambulance Fund, PO Box 132, Marsing, ID 83639, or a favorite charity of your choice.

County historical society to present bazaar, party

Sale of items, Charlie Brown trees benefit museum fund

The Owyhee County Historical Society begins to wind down the year with its annual Christmas party and Bazaar on Dec. 7-8.

The Christmas party takes place at 7 p.m. Dec. 7 at the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy. The party is open to the public and it is a potluck and gift exchange. Participants are asked to bring a gender-appropriate gift for the exchange and a dish for the potluck. "We have a lot of fun 'stealing' each other's gifts," OCHS member Debra Lindner said.

There also will be live music during the party.

The bazaar takes place Dec. 7-8 at the museum. Bazaar hours are noon to 6 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. Inventory for the two-day sale includes books, jewelry, original artwork and baked goods.

The museum is located at 17085

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The historical society also will sell its traditional Charlie Brown Christmas trees harvested from the area around Silver City. The trees will be sold for \$10 each, but any amount of donation will be accepted, Lindner said. Proceeds go toward the museum, and all donations are tax deductible.

Santa Claus will visit from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Food available at the bazaar will include beef stew, barbecue pork sandwiches and baked goodies.

The OCHS has been raising money for the museum's building fund for several years. Lindner said about 80 people attended the fourth annual luau in October. The event cleared more than \$3,000, she said.

The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Nov. 28: Chicken nuggets or egg roll, rice pilaf, vegetables, fruit & veggie bar, fortune cookie, milk.

Nov. 29: Lasagna or mini corn dogs, corn, fruit & veggie bar, turNov. er, milk.

Nov. 30: Fish nuggets or turkey sandwich, French fries, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Dec. 3: Sloppy Joe or hot dog, tots, fruit & veggie bar, chocolate pudding, milk.

Dec. 4: Ham/potato soup or tuna sandwich, peas, fruit & veggie bar, goldfish crackers, milk.

Dec. 5: Chili or beef taco pie, roll, fruit & veggie bar, fruit roll-up, milk.

Homedale Middle

Nov. 28: Burrito or fish sandwich, corn, fruit & veggie bar, apple crisp, milk.

Nov. 29: Spaghetti or chicken bacon melt, break stick, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Nov. 30: Pizza or popcorn chicken, salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Dec. 3: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Dec. 4: Wiener wrap or sloppy Joe, green beans, animal crackers, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 5: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit roll-up, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale High

Nov. 28: Spaghetti, burrito or pizza hot pocket, French bread, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Nov. 29: Chicken patty or hamburger, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar,

Nov. 30: Beef taco or toasted cheese sandwich, soup, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 3: Pizza, mini corn dogs or chef's salad, fruit & veggie bar, brownie, milk.

Dec. 4: Oven fried chicken or wiener wrap, scalloped potatoes, fruit & veggie bar, fruit roll-up, milk.

Dec. 5: Enchilada, pizza hot pocket or baked potato, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Marsing

Nov. 28: Ham & cheese sandwich, potato wedges, fruit, milk, cf steak, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Nov. 29: Taco, veggie, fruit, milk, Red Baron pizza, salad bar 4th-12th, roll.

Nov. 30: Hot dog, veggies, fruit, milk, sub sandwich, salad bar 4^{th} - 12^{th} , roll.

Bruneau

Nov. 28: Potato & ham soup, cheese yum, salad, spiced apples, milk.

Nov. 29: Haystacks, corn, fruit, cinnamon twist, milk.

Nov. 30: Tuna/bun, fries, veggie, fruit, cookie, milk.

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Nov. 28: Hearty beef stew, roll, beverage.

Nov. 29: Baked fish, macaroni & cheese, roll, beverage.

Marsing center

Nov. 28: Breakfast to order or fish & chips or sloppy Joe, winter mix, pea soup, salad, dessert, beverage.

Nov. 29: Roast pork, potatoes, gravy, carrots, salad, soup, dessert, beverage.

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Your finances Collections callers are out of line pestering parents

Dear Dave,

My older sister has run up some pretty large debts, and there's one creditor in particular that's giving her a bad time. She only owes them about \$500, but they somehow got our parent's phone number. They called and made my mom feel so bad that she paid part of the bill. Now this company is calling my parents four or five times a day, thinking that if they're pushy enough she'll pay them more money. What can they do?

— Donna

Dear Donna,

First, your mom and dad should get an answering machine — one that has a memo button that allows them to record conversations. The next time these bozos call, your dad should get on the phone and explain to them that the conversation is being recorded and that they are not liable for your sister's debt. Let them know, too, that if they ever contact them again about this matter that they will sue!

Your dad also needs to tell them that if they call them again he will file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission. What this company is doing is a violation of federal law and the Federal Fair Debt Collections Act. If the caller can't understand that, make them put a supervisor on the line and repeat it. Your dad needs to crawl all over these people, because what they're doing is illegal, immoral and just plain mean!

Even if he did owe the bill, calling that many times a day is still a violation of federal law. He's not going to get rid of these people by being nice!

Dave

Dear Dave,

I opened a staffing firm not long ago as a sole proprietorship. It's grown quickly, and now I'd like What would you recommend? - Carlos



cost you more in taxes, and an S-Corporation will probably not save you on taxes. The idea that there are bunches of tax breaks for incorporating is largely a myth.

However, there are other good reasons to incorporate. If you operate as a sole proprietorship, the assets of the company are your personal assets. And in that case, your property is at stake in the event of a lawsuit. Let's say you have \$300,000 worth of house, cars and money and you don't want someone to sue your company and take your personal belongings. Then, you'd want to incorporate, because you have a good liability reason to incorporate.

I say a C-Corporation is worse because you pay taxes on your net profit. Then, when you pay those profits out to the shareholders, they pay taxes again on it. So if you're the sole shareholder in your C-Corporation, you'll pay taxes on those profits twice - once for the corporation and once personally.

So you never want to create a C-Corporation for a sole proprietorship. They're usually only good for very large companies or one that looks like it might be going public.

- Dave

- Dave Ramsey is the bestselling author of The Total Money Makeover. He also is the host The Dave Ramsey Show that airs at 6 p.m. daily on the Fox Business Channel. You can find tools to help with finances or previous columns at Davesays.org. For to incorporate for tax purposes. more financial advice, visit the Web site or call (888) 22-PEACE. Have a question for Dave? Send correspondence to syndication@ daveramsey.com or write Dave \$ays, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

Bruneau Valley Library

reprints history of region

Bruneau Valley Library has received permission to reprint the book "The Valley of the Tall Grass."

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The family of author Adelaide Turner Hawes granted permission to reprint the book, which has been urged by community members for some time, according to a library press release announcing the book.

The book is a history of the Bruneau Valley and includes history on parts of Owyhee County and Nevada. The author was the daughter of the first white family to settle in the Bruneau Valley.

The library has been selling the book since the beginning of the

After years of planning, the month. There are only 500 copies in the 2007 printing, and 200 of them were reserved through advanced orders.

Each book costs \$30 plus tax. Shipping is available for an additional fee.

The book, which originally was released in 1950, hasn't been in print since a 1975 reprinting. Only 1,000 books were run in the first two printings, which, like the third printing, were done by Caxton Printers in Caldwell.

"There are so few books in existence, and so many families want copies for future generations that the library is very happy to make this wish come true," library board chair Kathy Mori said.

The 2007 book is unaltered

from the first two printings except for a new dedication, which was requested by the Hawes family. The third printing is dedicated to Rosalie Hawes Elam, the first granddaughter of the author, and to her brother, Joe Hawes, the first grandson of the author.

Through stories passed down through the family and actual recollections from the author, "The Valley of the Tall Grass" presents a view of early pioneer life and the pioneers' struggles.

Order the book by calling (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2345 or by dropping by the library in Bruneau.

The Bruneau Valley Library is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Today

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

Thursday

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

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

Christmas Silent Auction, 6 p.m., Homedale Friends Church, 17434 Highway 95. (208) 337-3464.

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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

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

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Christmas in Melba, 7 p.m., Randolph Avenue, Melba. (208)

495-1179 or (208) 495-1260.

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Dear Carlos,

There's really no good reason to incorporate for tax purposes. A C-Corporation can actually

6:45 p.m. and 7 p.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 2nd St. N.

Tuesday

Exercise class, 11 a.m., free,



Jordan Valley FFA Marsing grad accepts advisor job at high school

Nick Usabel has been working toward his new challenge in Jordan Valley most of his life.

The 2003 Marsing High School graduate is in his first year as FFA advisor at Jordan Valley High School. He took the job after earning an Agriculture Education bachelor's degree from the University of Idaho in May and serving as a student teacher at Kuna High School.

"I enjoyed my visit, the students and the administration at Jordan Valley," Usabel said. "I felt that Jordan Valley would be an excellent fit for me and a great place to start teaching."

Usabel teaches several courses at the high school, including Agriculture, Agricultural Fabrications, Animal Science, Biology and Physical Science.

Usabel is the son of Joe Usabel of Marsing and Jody Usabel of Homedale. He attended Marsing schools his entire life and has worked on the Usabel Ranch since 1994. "My interest in

agriculture began at an early age where I

was raised on the family farm in Marsing," he said. "I spent much of my summer and weekends operating equipment and changing water.

"Come rain or shine, I could be found with a smile on my face no matter the

task."

Usabel's work on the family ranch helped him with his 4-H activities. He showed market steers at the Owyhee County Fair, and also showed dairy cattle.

"My transition to FFA in high school included the addition of a crop production farming operation in which I partner with my brother," Usabel said.

Usabel is the oldest of four children, including brother Cody and sisters MaryJo (MJ) and Lacey. He and Cody have run the farming operation for more than eight years.

He was told of the Jordan Valley FFA opening by another Owyhee County resident, Shawn Dygert. Nick Usabel replaced Adam Ineck in the position. Dygert and Joe Blackstock were Usabel's cooperating teachers during his student stint at Kuna. While at Kuna, Usabel taught Introduction of Agriculture, Animal Science, Agricultural Business and Economics and Introduction to Agricultural Welding. He also taught the Agricultural Fabrications team and observed Botany/ Horticulture Plant Science and Small Gasoline Engines.

Usabel said his time as a Marsing student body officer and his participation in FFA opened several opportunities for personal skill development and travel.

"I learned many valuable life skills through my leadership experience, which have formed the person that I am today," he said.

County Hug Day redux held today in Marsing

Business owners and members of the Marsing Chamber of Commerce have banded together for the second annual County Hug Day, which will be held today to benefit the El-Ada Community Action Partnership's efforts in Owyhee County.

The charity drive attempts to gather non-perishable food items as well as personal care items for needy families in the county.

Essence of Life, which kicked off the inaugural drive a year ago, and the ION Truck Stop are two of the area businesses formally registered to participate. Organizers are telling shoppers that any business with the County Hug Day flier in its window will accept donations today.

Businesses have been recruited

to have sales specials and other incentives next Wednesday to encourage customers to bring in canned and non-perishable food, toiletries and personal items. Last year, Essence of Life Day Spa owner — and now Chamber president — Cathy Streibel initiated the event.

Organizers of the second annual event stressed that while

many organizations throughout the valley get publicity for their efforts to help the needy during the holiday season, it's often overlooked that many Owyhee County families have a strong need for life's basics, too.

This year's goal is 1,000 items, according to organizers. Last year, it was reported that 280 canned items were collected from clients visiting Essence of Life from as far away as Jordan Valley and Nampa.

Volunteers will pick up items between 9 a.m. and noon on Thursday. The items then will be counted, boxed and delivered to the El-Ada office in Homedale.

For more information on which businesses are participating, call 896-7001.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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OCD shows appreciation for farmers

The Owyhee Conservation District's annual Farmers Appreciation Day and pesticide renewal class is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 10.

The event will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at the OCD building at 19 Reich St., in Marsing.

The district includes lunch, and the event is open to the public. To reserve a spot, call 896-

4544, ext. 102. The registration deadline is Dec. 6.



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happy holidays

Residents have included several gifts on their wish lists, but local "Santas" need only to select one item. Gifts may be gift wrapped and tagged with the number and item selected. Gifts need to be dropped off to the Avalanche office by Dec. 21st

1. Female: cigarettes, pepsi, long fuzzy socks 2. Male: velcro tennis shoes (sz 10), slippers, zip-up sweatshirt (L) 3. Female: stereo, gospel cds, pants (L) 4. Female: jewelry, lotion, light-up stuffed animal 5. Female: Perfume, clothes (L), shoes (9.5wide), cd player 6. Male: cologne, sweatsuit (L) 7. Female: jewelry, perfume, sweater (M) 8. Female: slippers, crossword puzzles, clothes (M) 9. Female: perfume, jewelry, bra (36B) 10. Female: dress blouse/pants (M), gospel cds 11. Female: fuzzy coloring poster, perfume, sweater (L) 12. Male: cologne, slippers, robe (M) 13. Male: western shirt (M), sweats (M), aftershave 14. clothes (2x), stuffed animal, cami's 15. pants (sz18), tops (2x), coat (2x) 16. Female: clothes (L), chocolate, pepsi, undies (sz9) 17. Female: candy, clothes (L), scarf & hat 18. Male: thermal pants (M), 80s music, cd player 19. Female: duster dress (4x), sweater (4x), jewelry 20. Female: undies (sz9), short nightgown (L), camera 21. Female: pants (), tops (L), puzzle, crafts 22. Female: pants (L), tops (L), slippers, candy 23. Female: small earrings, Charlie perfume, sweatsuit (XL) 24. Female: hair accessories, family comedy movie, fleece jacket (L) 25. Female: perfume, hair accessories, fleece jacket (XL) 26. Female: undies (sz11), bras (46D), 2-pc pajamas (1X) 27. Female: perfume, bird feeder, cami's 28. Female: socks, music box, canvas shoes (9.5wide) 29. Male: robe (M), slippers, cologne, computer games 30. Male: Mach 3 razors, aftershave, extra dry skin lotion 31. Female: socks, stereo, perfume, angle figurine 32. Male: country music cds, chic mens cologne, cigarettes, coat (L) 33. Male: shoes (12), shirts (XL), aftershave

The annual Owyhee Avalanche Christmas gift project for the residents of Owyhee Health & Rehabilitation Center Homedale ends Dec. 21st

34. Male: electric razor, aftershave, slippers35. Male: kitchen utensils, cookbooks, beard trimmer

Miscelaneous Items Needed: throw pillows, twin size comforters, crafts, wall decor, crochet yarn, hats & scrafs, diet soda, board games, relaxation cd's, radios, lighted motion pictures.

Give a Gift to Care Center Residents

Owyhee County FFA news

Marsing chapter salutes Greenhands at Harvest Dance

by Kelsey Granden chapter reporter

On Nov. 9, the Marsing FFA chapter held its annual Greenhand Night and Harvest Dance. Both activities were a success as they were well attended by students, parents and community members.

We started off with the Creed, presented by six students. This year's Creed contestants were Katelyn Blackstock, Patrick Daniel, Shad Jensen, Kyla Loucks, Kacie Salove, and Taylor Sauer. All of the contestants did a wonderful job. Kacie Salove won, so she will be representing Marsing at the Boise Valley District contest later this school year. Kyla Loucks is the first alternate.

Then we gave out the Greenhand award. Twenty-two students received this award: Dustin Alexander, Cole Ashby, Katelyn Blackstock, Shayne Barenberg, Patrick Daniels, Brandon Dayton, Colby Decker, Amanda Freeman, Stephanie Forrey, Sam Jackson, Shad Jensen, Peyton Kinney, Jimmy Longwell, Kyla Loucks, David Loefler, Drew Maisey, Andi Merritt, Matt Rost, Taylor Sauer, Kacie Salove, Jessica Torres and Hillary Wiliams. We gave each of them an FFA member

sign and a Greenhand pin. We also recognized Nick Aeverman, Tony Beagley, Tyler Blackstock, Ethan Salove and Neil Sevy, last year's Greenhands.

This year, to increase enthusiasm for the Harvest Dance, each agriculture class was given a section of the shop to decorate, and the winning class was rewarded with a party.

With this in mind, the agriculture shop was transformed into pumpkin patches, barn scenes, scarecrows and straw bales to create an old-fashioned barn dance atmosphere.

Between 65 to 70 FFA members, parents and guests were in attendance. The square dancing was a big hit with more than 40 FFA members, friends and guests participating.

One of the night's highlights was the crowning of the Harvest Dance King and Queen. Everyone's favorite dad, Chris Salove, was selected Harvest King, and Hillary Williams was elected Queen.

The Harvest dance was a big hit this year. We had more members come than in the past two. Amy Beagley said "it was fun and exciting and the decorations rocked!" We hope next year is the same, if not better.





Marsing FFA members cited

Above: Greenhand award winners included, from left, Dustin Alexander, Jimmy Longwell, Shayne Barrenberg, Kate Blackstock, Andi Merritt, Matt Rost, Taylor Sauer, Stephanie Forrey, Patrick Daniels, Kacie Salove, Jessica Torres and Hillary Williams. Left: Creed speakers were, from left, Kate Blackstock, Shad Jensen, Taylor Sauer, Patrick Daniels and Kacie Salove. Submitted photos



Homedale FFA visits Indy Above: Some Homedale FFA chapter members visited the

Homedale enjoys staples of Americana at nationals

Beach Boys, Corvette assembly plant among the highlights of midwest trip

The Homedale FFA chapter once again braved busy airports, large cities, and masses of students as it traveled to Indianapolis for the 80th National FFA Convention in October.

The travelers consisted of advisor Lori Harrison; students Rachelle Christoffersen, Austin Emry, Laken Hiser, Mat Hansen, Kortney Bahem, Drew Farwell, and Nina Bell. Adult chaperones were Lori Emry, Devra Christoffersen, and Tracy Fisher. The group arrived in Louisville on the evening of Monday, Oct. 22. The next morning a unique tour through the naturally formed Mammoth Caves was the first order of business. Traveling several hundred feet underground, the FFA spelunkers were able to view underground lakes, stalactites, and stalagmites, as well as salamanders, crawfish and massive spiders. The Bowling Green, Ky., Corvette Assembly Plant was the next fascination of the day. Students were able to view one of the last synchronized plants in the United States. They watched as Corvettes were carefully assembled and tested to perfection before they were put out onto the market.

After great tours in Louisville. it was finally time to travel to Indianapolis by way of a rented van. On the morning of Oct. 24, thanks to nice weather, a stop at the Indianapolis Zoo was in order. A large array of animals, from tigers to dolphins, was available to view. That evening, country music artists Montgomery Gentry and Danielle Peck performed specially for the national convention. On Oct. 25 during the FFA sessions, Homedale watched two astounding keynote speakers, the FFA talent show and they also watched as chapter members Rachelle Christoffersen and Austin Emry received their awards for National Chapter. The idea behind the award is to single out chapters for their efforts in producing a program of activities, community involvement, and student involvement. This year at Nationals, Homedale ranked gold. Later that night, after first taking a tour of the Indianapolis Speedway, a very

entertaining concert of the Beach Boys, accompanied by John Stamos, delighted students.

On Oct. 26, students flocked to the FFA career fair and mall. Students were able to view booths for different potential colleges as well as the new and exciting industries available in agriculture. Merchandise from many well-known ag-related stores also was on display, including John Deere, Justin Boots, and official FFA gear.

Indianapolis Motor Speedway. **Below:** The entire group poses before embarking on their trip. Submitted photos



The morning of Oct. 27 dawned very early for Homedale chapter members as they finally saw their great trip coming to an end. Late that afternoon, the tired students and adults were finally on home soil. Although it was a very amazing and educational trip, everyone was ready to catch up on sleep.

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Visions of warmth on a cold day

The mercury has plunged as winter prepares to march into our lives. But the Owyhee Garden Club helped keep the spirit (and climate) of spring alive with its recent Good Neighbor awards.

Stellar gardens in the Marsing and Homedale area were cited, and although the gardens may be past their prime for this year, the beautiful images linger.



A peaceful pond scene in Marsing

This serene wetland, with water lilies, a fountain, a wood duck nesting site, a sitting area on the dock and surrounding reed beds and trees promises a relaxing retreat. The landscaping, by Sue and Brion Showalter, earned the Owyhee Garden Club's Good Neighbor award for Marsing. Submitted photo



A Homedale desert oasis

Above and below: The well-manicured lawn, fruit and ornamental trees, terraced flower beds and other landscape features of Tom and Stephanie Muir's property in Homedale stand in marked contrast to the stark hillside in the background. The Muir's landscaping earned the Owyhee Garden Club's Good Neighbor award for Homedale. Submitted photos





Leaders of tomorrow step forward



Marsing High School 'Pride Paws' award winners

Fifteen students earned the Marsing High School leadership award for October. Back (from left): Alexis Senften, Brittany Moore, Joel Acuna, Kelsey Cook, JT Corta, Carlos Ceballos. Middle: Amanda Freeman, Bethany Sevy, Lindsay Whitaker, Andre Heidt, Melissa Paz, Alma Marcial; Front (from left) Katrina Huffman, Yoana Martinez, Kim Garza. Submitted photo.



Adrian senior crowned queen in Ontario

Kassi Daugherty, daughter of Perry and Julene Daugherty, is the queen of the 2007 Winter Wonderland Parade in Ontario, Ore. Kassi is a senior at Adrian High School. Photo by AHS





Homedale Middle School Class representatives

Above: Fifth grade class representatives for student council. Front (from left): Colton Grimm, Alandra Hartley, Miguel Salazar, and Carlie Purdom. Back row (from left): Bryan Villarreal, Devin Fisher, Justine Cornwall, Elise Shenk, and Victoria Nash. Left: Seventh grade student council homeroom representatives. Front (from left): Gabby Nash, Erin Shenk, Abdiel Camargo, and Heather Romriell. Back row (from left): Jake Murray, Derek Hellman, Connor Davis, Carissa Gardner, Katie Eaton, and Shelby McRae.



Deena Emry.

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Jordan athletes earn

fall team awards

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Avalanche Sports

Basketball standings and statistics

Homedale was playing its fifth

game in eight nights, fatigue

did not appear to be a factor as

the Trojans ran easily with the

Huskies and led by as many as 22

Homedale's inside control

Marsing's shooting woes

continued, as the Huskies managed

just four points in the first quarter

while the Trojans poured in 18.

The Huskies outscored Homedale

16-5 in the fourth quarter, but it

wasn't enough as they entered the

resulted in a 32-16 rebounding

advantage over the Huskies.

points in the game.

Prep football Eight Huskies tabbed All-WIC

Eight Marsing High School football players were named to the 2A Western Idaho Confer-

ence all-conference team according to Huskies coach Don Heller. Marsing had firstteam selections at four positions, and six players were named

to more than one position. Martin Galvez was named to the first team on both the of-

fensive and defensive Ethan Sau-

er was a firstteam selection at running back and an honorable mention at defensive back.

line.

Taylor Nielsen was the other firststring pick at tight end, and also made the second team at punter. Kalob My-



Ethan Sauer



Taylor Nielsen



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Trojans drive past Marsing

Homedale's Rachel Wheeler gets off a shot over the outstretched arms of Marsing defenders Miranda Clausen (40) and Candy Leon in a non-conference girls basketball game at Marsing Nov. 20. Huskies Rebecca Cossel (25) and Jessica Freeman look on.

Rimrock girls aim toward postseason

The Rimrock Raiders are ready to terrorize opponents in 1A Western Idaho Conference girls basketball this

season. Virtually the entire team that went 12-0 in the 1A WIC South Division and ran up a 20-2 regular-sea-

son record is Mike Chandler back, with one more year of exsquad dropped two consecutive 1A state tournament games and finished with a 20-4 record.

"I believe we will be more confident and disciplined because of the experience we gained last year," coach Mike Chandler said.

Chandler said that he expects the team to win the conference and district titles and advance to state again this season, and with all five starters returning in seniors Ellie Cantrell and Shelby Chandler, junior Kaile Murray, and sophomores Anna Cantrell and Jackie Thurman, that expec

The Raiders have an experienced guard tandem in Ellie Cantrell and Shelby Chandler, and will use a stiff defense and an opportunistic transition game to break down opponents.

Coach Chandler said that the young front line, which includes sophomores Thurman and Anna Cantrell along with junior guard/ post Murray, will improve by "gaining more experience game by game."

Mike Chandler, who is in his second year at the helm, is also expecting big contributions from senior guard/post Anh Nguyen, junior post Sierra Ridley, and

sophomore guard Stevie Richardson, and said that the team will meet its goals as long as the players stay healthy and "continue to work hard and get better every day."

The Raiders raised their record to 3-1 on Nov. 20 with a 63-28 non-conference blowout of Horseshoe Bend in Bruneau.

Shelby Chandler erupted for 26 points, and dished eight assists. Ellie Cantrell added 16 points, while Thurman had a team-high seven rebounds and five blocked shots.

Homedale girls handle Huskies

Homedale High School got off to a quick start and made the most of a size advantage over Marsing in a 49-40 girls basketball victory over the host Huskies on Nov. 20.

The Trojans (2-3 overall) scored the first 10 points of the nonconference game, and raced off to an 18-4 lead at the end of the first quarter. Marsing came on late, but was unable to close the gap.

The contest was Homedale's fifth game of the season to Marsing's second, and the difference in experience showed. The Trojans, who a night before had edged Nampa Christian 57-55, used their size to pass the ball over Marsing's pressure defense and work the ball inside.

The Huskies, on the other hand, had more trouble against Homedale's trapping defense and were tentative attacking the basket for most of the game. Although

49 Marsing 40

Homedale Mandy Brasher scored a team-high 14 points and grabbed a game-high nine rebounds as the Trojans won their second consecutive game. Elisa Moreno led all scorers with 19 points for the Huskies.

final period trailing 44-24. First-year Homedale coach

Jeremy Chamberlain, who notched his first two wins at the Trojans' helm in as many nights, was pleased with his team's effort.

"All in all, I was very happy with our performance and our

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only player to earn three spots on the team. He earned second-team

ers was the

Kalob Myers honors at de-

fensive back and return specialist, and honorable mention at receiver.

Mike Moore was a second-team pick at linebacker and honorable mention at running back, while Logan Glenn made the second team offensive line.

Tyson Heller earned honorable mention at quarterback and defensive line, and Marcus Miller was named to the honorable mention linebacker corps.

perience and a hunger to go deep

er into the playoffs. Last year's tation may not be too lofty.

— RTH

New coach prepares to build Trojans baseball

Burke Deal is a builder, and most builders aren't afraid of hard work.

The new Homedale High School baseball coach intends to use his knowledge and experience as a home builder to create a strong Trojans program.

"By nature, I am a builder," Deal wrote in his answers to interview questions from the school district search committee.

"I have built amazing structures. I have always dreamed of building a baseball program. I want to build a great baseball program at Homedale High School, something that this town can take pride in."

The confidence shown in Deal's answers to his interviewers has been honed in more than 10 years as a general contractor as well as years in his youth battling for a spot on various baseball teams.

"Many coaches were once superstar athletes," Deal said. "I was not. I was 100 percent blue collar. That is how I survived. that is who I am, and that is what I know. I know hard work."

Deal chased a dream to compete on baseball teams for 12 years, from his youth baseball

days through his Nampa High School career playing second base for Leon Long to his college career playing infield and outfield for Eastern Oregon initially and Northwest Nazarene to complete his education.

"I was never the guy that knew he was on the team," Deal said. "I was always counting the numbers, knowing the cut downs and working my tail off not to be denied.

"... I always felt like I needed to be the hardest worker on the field to ensure a spot

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port

Mustangs dole out fall awards

Jordan Valley High School held its fall sports awards banquet on Nov. 20. A number of football and volleyball players were recognized for outstanding performances.

In volleyball, varsity honorees were: Athena Beckwith, Most Improved Player; Kayla Cuvelier and Elisa Eiguren, Offensive Players of the Year; Ashley Hebison, Most Promising Player; Emma Johnson, Defensive Player of the Year; Catie Kershner, Coach's Award; Annie Mackenzie, Most Inspirational Player; Nickie Naegle, Most Hustle; and Jessie White, Most Valuable Player.

The junior varsity volleyball award

winners were: Ashley Hebison, Most Valuable Player; Emma Johnson, Most Hustle and Coach's Award; Tessa Matteri, Most Inspirational; Shelly Payne, Most Promising; and Michelle Telleria, Most Improved.

Football players honored at the banquet were:

Dusty Easterday, Offensive Player of the Year; Matt Gleason and Taylor Lucas, Coach's Award; Bryce Kershner, Most Valuable Player; Brandan Mackenzie, "Hatchet Award"; Sonny Mackenzie, Most Inspirational; Koehl Trautman, Defensive Player of the Year; and Garrett Williams, Rookie of the Year.



Johnson scores big at banquet

Emma Johnson picks up one of her three awards from Jordan Valley High School volleyball coach Jacque Naegle. Johnson won the junior varsity Coach's and Most Hustle awards and the varsity Defensive Player of the Year award. Photo by Tessa Matteri, JVHS

$\sqrt{\text{Baseball: Coach respectful of game and hard work required to succeed}}$

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on the team."

Deal said his hard-nosed approach to baseball and his experience as a player trying to find a niche will serve him well in his relationship with players.

"I believe that because of my ride through the ranks of baseball as a player, I have a feel for young people that most coaches do not have," he said. "I have sat the bench on every team I have been on. I have been a starter on every team I have been on. I have experienced great successes and great failures.

"Because of all of this, I believe very strongly in the team and the dynamics of a team, not one or two individuals, but the team."

Homedale athletic director David Hart was impressed with Deal's lifetime of strong ties to the sport.

"Burke has a tremendous baseball background," Hart said. "Burke has been a tremendous factor in our youth baseball and softball programs here in Homedale."

Deal has coached his son and daughter in baseball and softball in Homedale during the past five summers.

Deal's self-professed respect for the game has him making big plans for his tenure with the Trojans. He wants to establish an American Legion program in town. He used to coach the American Legion A Caldwell Bobcats, and he knows what a strong youth program can do for the high school program.

He's also well aware — as was Tim Fulwood, his Trojans predecessor — that most high-school-aged baseball players in Homedale do not play the sport in the summer.

During the interview process, Deal set a three-year goal to start a Legion team in Homedale. Within three years, he also wants a high school program that is fundamentally sound, entertaining and a consistent contender for the state championship.

Deal also wants to build the program from the ground up, bringing eighthgraders into high school practices as well as setting up an evaluation process in physical education classes to find the baseball talent in boys in eighth through 12th grades.

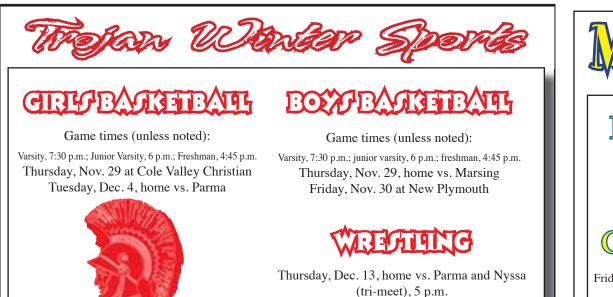
Deal, who in 1995 left the teaching profession to establish Ideal Custom Homes Inc., doesn't see his off-campus status as a hindrance to his objectives.

He plans a flexible work schedule so he can be available to address the concerns of players and parents throughout the season

He also said he will rely on the continued presence of junior varsity coach Brian Beard and varsity assistant coach Mark Thatcher to help bridge the gap between coaching administrations.

"I need somebody like Mark to be a conduit for me," Deal said of Thatcher's on-campus presence as a teacher.

— JPB





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Marsing Lions Optimist plans cheer camp

The Marsing Lions Optimist Football Cheerleader program will hold a three-day cheer camp next week that culminates in a performance during a Marsing High School boys basketball game.

The camp will be held from

3:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 5-7

at the Marsing Elementary School gymnasium.

The camp's \$20 entry fee includes at T-shirt, snack and admission into the Dec. 7 basketball game between Marsing and Nyssa, Ore. Campers will perform during halftime of the varsity game that night. The camp is open to ages 3 and older. Proceeds from the firstyear camp will benefit the 2008 Optimist cheer program.

For more information, call Melissa Loucks at 896-5180. An entry form can be obtained by e-mail through Loucks@ Frontiernet.net.

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progress," Chamberlain said. "Tonight was the first time we were able to completely dictate the tempo of the game, which is a huge step for us.

"I was pleased with the progress we have shown on the defensive end of the floor. Our rotation was much better tonight, and we were quick to our traps. Offensively, we had better spacing and moved the ball very well. We played with a lot of intensity, and with the exception of the last three minutes of the game, executed well at both ends of the court. This was our best game to date."

Mandy Brasher scored 14 points and hauled down nine rebounds to lead the Trojans. Rachel Wheeler chipped in with nine points, while Mikal Mackenzie added seven and Kendall Rupp doled out three assists.

Marsing's Elisa Moreno led all scorers with 19 points. Amanda Staudenmier put in six points, while Candy Leon and Jessica Freeman contributed five points each.

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On the edge of common sense

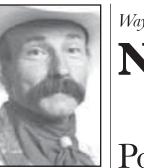
Born with the music in ya

Some people are born with music in 'em. Other people do good with algebra, throwin' a rope or rebuilding engines.

I am blessed with the music. My father's family played, Grandpa played the fiddle, Uncle Wade the banjo, Uncle Bert guitar and second fiddle, Uncle Dink the mandolin and third fiddle, Aunt Effie the organ and "Hi-wa-yen slide git-ar" and my dad, the youngest, played whatever needed played.

I remember as a boy goin' back to visit in Oklahoma. Saturday afternoon they'd have a "musical." We'd gather at somebody's house. Anybody that wanted to play would sit in a big circle in the living room, including kids. The recognized "first fiddle" in the group would start playing. They never told you the song or the key. There was no singing, and nobody else took the lead. In my memory, he'd play four or five songs in one key, switch to another key, play a few in that one, then eventually he'd say, "Bert, why don't you play one?" Bert, the acknowledged "second fiddle," would graciously accept the invitation and play his favorites, then pass it on down. It went on for three or four hours!

I started playing seriously at about 15 years old. The old-time fiddle music was a great influence, but I also was a fan of the country music of my time: Lefty Frizzell, Hank Snow, Hank Thompson, Jim Reeves, Faron Young, Kitty Wells, Loretta Lynn. I played in a weekend country band in college. I picked up an interest in bluegrass and Bob Wills swing music. I was so focused on what I liked that I missed Elvis, the Beatles, Bob Dylan and the hundreds of folk and rock bands that were on radio stations I didn't listen to. Today, I recognize Mick Jagger, Bruce Springsteen and Madonna's picture, but I couldn't name a song they did.



Wayne Cornell Not important ... but possibly of interest Ponds, pollywogs and sea disasters



The pond provided a lot of adventure and entertainment when I was a kid.

The pond was situated near the barn on my parents' farm. The pond caught the "waste water" that ran off our neighbor Irv Huff's pasture when he irrigated. When Dad turned on the electric pump at one end of the pond, it lifted the "free" water into our ditch so it could be used to water our garden, the lawn and a small pasture. That saved more of our official water allotment for the crops in the surrounding fields.

The pond wasn't more than thirty yards long, maybe fifteen vards wide and about two feet deep. In the summer the stagnant water was full of green slime. But our "water feature" was an endless source of entertainment for me and my neighborhood pals.

In the spring we caught pollywogs. We could scoop up pollywogs all day and never make a dent in the population. There was nothing more fun for a 10-yearold than carrying around a quart jar packed with slimy, wiggling, suffocating tadpoles. And there is nothing that will get a mother's attention faster than a quart jar full of pollywogs that has been placed in a window, on the south side of the porch, on a sunny day, and forgotten by the collector who has moved on in search of new challenges.

We also hunted grown frogs. You find a piece of broken hoe or pitchfork handle at least three feet long and square off one end with a saw. Drive a 10-penny nail about a third of the way into the squared-off end. Flatten the head of the protruding nail, then sharpen the leading edge of the head with a file. Voila! A barbed frog spear!

Mother Nature must have included small boys and girls in the formula when she calculated how many thousand tadpoles would have to hatch to guarantee the survival of one adult frog.

The pond also was a great place to sail home-built model

battleships made from pine blocks nailed together. The soft wood soaked up water so fast, the fleet usually was waterlogged after one afternoon of maneuvers

After reading Huckleberry Finn, I decided the pond would be an excellent place for staging our own Mark Twain adventure. With the help of the Jensen Kids, I built a raft that I calculated would be large enough to carry three explorers to new and exciting worlds. The raft was made from olds logs we had found nearby which we lashed together with baling twine. We wanted to connect everything with boards nailed across the logs but had to give up that idea when every nail we tried to drive bent after a couple of blows with a hammer.

When the raft was completed, we prepared for the launch. Because it was my pond, I claimed the rank of Captain and the right to take a solo test cruise before the other two members of the crew got on board.

Unfortunately, I made one small engineering error when building the raft. The logs I selected came from black locust trees. When dry, black locust is the best firewood you can find. It is heavy, dense and so hard you can't drive a nail into it. A piece of black locust generates almost as much heat as a piece of coal of the same size. Coal has one advantage. It floats better than black locust.

We tugged and pulled the completed raft down the bank of the pond and slid it into the water. With a certain amount of ceremony, I proudly stepped aboard and pushed the craft away from shore with a pole. Without a moment's hesitation the raft went straight to the bottom, leaving me standing knee deep in water, green slime and surprised pollywogs.

The last time we went passed the old farm, I noticed the pond had been filled in and now is part of the garden area it once watered. If the present owners have kids, the youngsters have been robbed of one of the best things about living there.



Providing health care access, choice



by Sen. Mike Crapo

Not too many years ago, Idaho doctors still made house quality private health insurance, HAA would: calls, spending considerable parts of their days (and nights) visiting patients and getting to know their families. That era is gone — today's health care often requires patients to visit the doctor, virtually or in person, not the other way around. What hasn't vanished is the sentiment that health care is extremely personal. We want to choose our doctors and medical professionals and we want them to know us. Almost as compelling is the issue of affordability. With soaring health care costs (\$2 trillion last year even as 43 million Americans lacked health insurance), federal health care policy must encourage coverage for all Americans and competitive choice in health care plans. Competition would give us what we, as patients, want - choice, access, and personalized care for the best value. In the current environment in Congress, federal health care policy can only move forward in a bipartisan fashion. The Healthy Americans Act (HAA) is an important step toward that comprehensive bipartisan health care reform. I recently co-sponsored Sens. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) and Bob Bennett's (R-Utah) innovative plan, which aims to provide every American with health insurance while simultaneously recognizing the importance of a free market

approach. In addition to guaranteeing every American

My brothers are musical, too. Then, somewhere along the line I married into another Oklahoma musical family. They were a step up from us because they could read music! Which just made them even better.

I've been schoolin' my son on the mandolin since he was about 10. He always gripes. Last month, he asked if he could switch to guitar. "Sure!" I said. Next thing I know he's in his bedroom trying to figger out Billy Joel's 'Piano Man!' Looks like he's caught the bug.

Truth is, he never had a chance. When yer born with the music in ya, it's like breathin'. Oh, did I tell you the mandolin he's been playin' for the last four years was Aunt Effie's? I think she'd think that's cool.

Give Americans affordable choice:

• Make health care portable from job to job;

• Promote personal responsibility and preventive medicine;

· Reform the insurance market so that insurers compete on price, benefits and quality.

The bill includes provisions requiring health plans to offer minimum benefits packages and more comprehensive coverage alternatives for additional costs. Plans would compete on the basis of price and, once enrolled, individuals would only be dropped from coverage if they die, move or age into Medicare.

Premium payments would be computed as an add-on to tax liability. Those living below 100 percent of the poverty level would pay no premium, with a sliding scale for those between 100 and 400 percent of the poverty level. The legislation includes incentives for insurers and individuals to promote and seek preventive care, wellness and chronic disease management. Finally, the legislation promotes cost containment measures in administrative and

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Commentary

Energy alternatives

Participation for county energy summit continues to build

by Joe Weatherby

Additional speakers have been confirmed since Nov. 19 for the Owyhee County Energy Summit. But because of scheduling conflicts in the busy Christmas month of December, the Dec. 14-15 Owyhee Energy Summit will not be held at the Homedale Txoko Ona Basque Club as originally planned. We have two potential alternate sites, but we were unable to provide absolute confirmation prior to this week's deadline. We will provide further information on the new location in future issues of The Owyhee Avalanche.

Wind energy in Owyhee County, if developed even on already identified sites, has the potential to provide as much county revenue as all of the currently collected Owyhee County property taxes.

Wind energy is taxed differently than some other real estate improvements. According to the Idaho State Tax Commission, wind farms are taxed based on power generation. They pay 3 percent of the gross revenue from power sales agreements directly to the county. That is thanks to a law passed in 2007, HB-189. It provides more income to county coffers over the life of the wind development than would have otherwise been collected

from property tax-based revenue. Instead of tax revenue dropping as the turbines are quickly depreciated, county tax revenue will either stay level, or increase as power revenue increases.

If wind energy is developed to its full potential in Owyhee County, we could provide more than 13,000 megawatts (MW) of power (the entire state now generates around 3,000 MW), and it could generate as much as \$68 million in tax revenue to Owyhee County. That compares to the approximately \$5.2 million in current Owyhee County property tax.

This situation would open up a totally new set of options to Owyhee County residents, while still maintaining our rural way of life, which is unique. And wind is one of many options we have.

There are many other advantages to wind energy development, not the least of which is power cost. It is one of the cheapest new sources of power and it is clean energy. It uses no fuel, produces no hazardous waste, and it can set the cost of power for many years in the future through what is normally 20-year power purchase agreements. Best of all, wind energy development spreads the wealth to many farmers and ranchers across the county.

Studies show that standard fees for a wind turbine site on a farm or ranch varies from \$3,000 to \$5,000 per turbine. It also creates many permanent jobs, which match skills of current Owyhee County residents. By the way, the \$68 million does not include payments from power leases on Bureau of Land Management land. Twenty-five percent of those lease payments made to the BLM comes back to the county. And it takes very little area out of agricultural production.

As with all energy sources, there are other issues with wind power development. Aesthetics, for some people, is an issue; beauty is always in the eye of the beholder of course. Power balancing to compensate for the intermittent nature of the wind is normally accounted for in the power sales agreement with the utility. Though most issues are not, in any way formidable, there are issues that must be analyzed and addressed on a case-by-case basis for all energy projects. These are just a few of the issues we will bring forward, discuss, and document at the energy summit.

- Joe Weatherby, an Owyhee County Planning and Zoning commissioner, is the chair of the Owyhee County Energy Task Force.

Harnessing wind power could inflate Owyhee's tax base

bv Kiki Tidwell

Owyhee County's property tax revenue could increase by \$68,067,000 per year (analysis by Idaho Department of Energy), if the existing good windy land was allowed to be developed by wind farm companies who are standing in line to do so. The current total annual property tax revenue in Owyhee County is \$5,174,475. As someone who has served for several Idaho charitable grant-making organizations since 1994, I have realized that what charity can do for Idaho communities is a just drop in the bucket in contrast to what these communities can do for themselves. The world's investors are trying to give Idaho their investment dollars to harvest the crop of the future: clean energy - geothermal, solar, biodigesting, wind, biomass. There is a \$500 billion wave of investment dollars estimated to be invested in this sector in the next several years. And this windfall can be spread amongst lots of Idaho landowners, small farms, and small businesses, rather than to just one out-of-state large power plant owner.

Lots of landowners could share in increased revenues - being paid \$3,000 to \$5,000 per turbine per year to lease the turbine sites on their property — while they keep farming or grazing the majority of their land. Other county residents would share in the benefits of stable and lower power costs. The most recent large wind power purchase contract entered into by Idaho Power was a 20-year sales agreement (with a 10-year option to extend) for 100 megawatts (MW) of power at a base rate of \$48 per megawatt hour (MWh) with a 3 percent annual escalation rate. This is power that can actually be contracted for and delivered with today's technology, not for some far-off potential time in the future. Furthermore, another wind developer in Elmore County recently had to sign an agreement that if its wind project did not Kiki Tidwell

go online on time, they would be responsible for the difference in what the utility thought it would have pay for the power elsewhere if they couldn't have the wind power — \$1,740,000 for 90 days for a 40 MW plant.

Although wind power is an intermittent resource, other utilities in states such as Texas, California, Oregon, Colorado, and Minnesota have incorporated wind energy without imposing costs on the utility and without reducing the price paid to farmers. Extensive studies by Alliant, a large Midwestern/Western utility, and by General Electric, have demonstrated that utilities like Idaho Power can accommodate very significant amounts of wind energy without adverse effects. Some countries get 50 percent of their power from wind.



Where state policy has encouraged development, investment money has followed. Other states surrounding Idaho, through their governors, state legislators, and Public Utility Commissions, have adopted incentives and legislation to encourage and welcome clean energy development. As Idaho Power goes to court to curtail farmers' water rights to keep its hydropower plants running and Idaho rural communities struggle, other states are seizing an opportunity to bring significant property tax base to rural communities, stabilize power supply cost, and attract clean tech industry and good jobs.

– Ketchum resident Kiki Tidwell is scheduled to speak at the upcoming Owyhee County Energy Summit, scheduled for Homedale on Dec. 14-15. Tidwell has served on the Governor's Coordinating Council for Families and Children, has been a four-year panelist for the Idaho Community Foundation's Southwest Grants Panel, has served for many years and continues to serve on the Idaho Children's Trust Fund grants panel, is a board member of the Idaho Community Foundation, is president of the Tidwell Idaho Foundation, a small family foundation focused primarily on prevention of child abuse in Idaho, is a member of Philanthropy Northwest, and has been former chair of the Blaine County Foster Parents Support Committee. Tidwell is also president of Idaho Land & Pine, Inc., which has made investments in the clean energy sector.

$\sqrt{\text{Health care:}}$ New health insurance legislation lessens feds' impact

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health information technology provisions. HAA creates a standard deduction based on the type of coverage the taxpayer has.

The deduction, factored into a filer's adjusted gross income, would be phased out at certain income levels.

The program would be administered through statelevel Health Help Agencies. Employers would bear responsibility in educating employees about plans and helping employees pay for health care, but the primary payment burden would fall on the individual.

As a member of the Senate Finance Committee, which has jurisdiction over the bill, I'll be involved throughout the process. There are provisions that I have serious concerns about. In order to achieve a broad-based coalition, HAA is the result of compromise between very different views on what government's role in health care policy should be. Still, I believe we can work through important compromises to achieve a successful legislative outcome.

Ultimately, HAA is a free market approach that puts health care choices in our hands instead of a governmentrun program that puts these choices in the hands of the federal government. It helps empower consumers and the free market to extend coverage to all Americans.

The Healthy Americans Act represents a bipartisan step toward more affordable and comprehensive health care for Americans. While we cannot go back to the days of country doctors and house calls, we can incorporate lifesaving developments of today's health care treatment and technology into a system that gives patients old-fashioned access, choice and personalized care.

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

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

November 24, 1982

Trojans capture A-3 champ title

Coach Jim McMillian closed out his first season as head coach of the Homedale Trojans with the A-3 State Championship trophy last Saturday.

This is the second year in a row the team has won the title.

McMillian's Trojans captured the crown in a hard-fought gridiron battle against the North Fremont Huskies, and clobbered the eastern Idaho team 36-0 on the Trojan field.

Homedale fullback Bill Maxwell bulled his way across the goal line on three separate counts, earning exactly half of the Trojans' points.

He was the game's leading rusher with 119 yards on 27 carries.

The first of the Trojans' touchdowns came in the first quarter, following an exchange of fumble recoveries by the two teams. Darren Krzesnik added the extra point.

The second quarter saw Maxwell's drives earn an additional 12 points.

Half-time score was 20-0.

The Trojans scored in the third period when QB Mike Matteson hit Eric Kushlan for a completed touchdown drive.

Krzesnik added a 29-yard field goal in the final period, followed by a 26-yard sprint by Terry Uda. Krzesnik's kick followed for the final point in the 1982 A-3 Championship game.

Annual Homedale Disaster Auction Saturday

Saturday is the day of the Homedale Disaster Auction, and board members are busy soliciting for donated merchandise this week, according to Whitey Flaming and Alan Johnstone, co-chairmen.

The auction is the eighth annual such event, which raises funds to assist local people who are victims of disasters.

The auction will begin at noon at Washington Grade School. There will be hamburgers, chili, donuts, coffee, coke and other soft drinks, and popcorn for sale during the sale.

At 10 p.m. the "Running for Cover" band will play for a four-hour dance, also at the grade school.

Tickets are being sold for chances on prizes, Johnstone said. First prize is a half beef; second, a half lamb, and third is a 12-inch black and white television set. A \$1 donation entitles the bearer to one chance; \$10 gets you 12 chances, Johnstone said.

Dozens and dozens of articles will be on the auction block, and the board members encourage local people to bid on the merchandise.

Over \$19,000 has been distributed by the committee since its formation in January of 1979, according to Colleen Bahem, secretary-treasurer. She has separated the distribution for assistance into three categories: fire, flood, natural disasters, \$7,536; assistance following deaths, \$3,500; and hospitalization assistance, \$8,051.69

50 years ago

November 28, 1957

Auditor reports shortage of \$5,276.58 in city funds

A shortage of \$5,276.58 existed in the general fund of the City of Homedale July 8 when City Clerk Bertha Ehrhart disappeared, Leonard Wilson, auditor, told the city council Tuesday night.

Mr. Wilson made an oral report on the audit for the twoyear period from May, 1955 to April 30, 1957, plus the additional period up to Mrs. Ehrhart's disappearance. He said a typewritten report of the audit would be available in several days.

His audit report showed funds missing from the city water accounts, dog license account, etc., which he said were thoroughly checked and verified.

The police account also may be short, Mr. Wilson said, but because both the police docket and most of a year's receipt duplicates were missing, it was impossible to reconstruct this account.

An annual financial statement for the 1956-57 period, and a semi-annual statement, covering the period May 1, 1957 to October 31, 1957, will be published soon.

The city council directed Richard B. Eismann, city attorney, to write the General Casualty company, who issued Mrs. Ehrhart's bond, making a claim for \$2500 in 1956 and \$2500 in 1957, the full amount of the bond for each year.

Allen and Pete George win district Grassman honors

Allen and Pete George, southwestern Idaho district winners in the Grassman of the Year contest, received a check for \$100 and a framed certificate at the presentation of awards Monday night at the 31st All-Idaho congress annual banquet at the Hotel Boise.

Robert F. Ball, chairman of the Idaho Grassman committee, presented the award. Idaho winner was Mont A. Johnson of Richfield, south central district, a runner-up in 1955. Other winners were Hugh Vandemark, northern district, and W. R. Martinsen, southeastern.

Writer tells of Homedale's first baseball team

Homedale's first nine

By Paul Tracy

Now that Homedale is recognized as a community that fields good teams it seems fitting that we turn our attention to the start of baseball in this corner of Owyhee county — 50 years ago, about 1907.

Arthur McDowell, visiting in Idaho from Oregon, helped me place the boys on the bases and outfield as well as we could remember. Gardner Jordan, up from Los Gatos, Calif., several years ago, and who alternated between 2nd base and the outfield, compiled an almost identical list of originals. So we name them, subject to lapses of memory.

Catcher, Arthur McDowell; pitcher, Paul Tracy; 1st base, Allie Myler, 2nd base, Gardner Jordan, "Lucky" Baldwin; 3rd base, Dick Helton; shortstop, "Chick" Davis; outfielders, Windsor Cox, Paul Davis, Wesley McDowell, Walt Tracy, Guy Jordan and available players present. It was difficult to assemble nine agricultural Babe Ruths, so the substitute roster includes such men and boys as Delbert Fletcher, Ray Este, Rev. Mr. McCoard, Martin Chenefield and a left-handed player whose name I believe was Hellyer. We were a "farm" club, indeed, but not one belonging to the Milwaukee Braves, nor did we receive "bonus" players from either the National or American leagues. We stuck our pitchforks in the Lucerne, pulled up our socks, and tried to knock h--- out of the ball, or studied our Spalding "How to Play Baseball" texts.

140 years ago

November 23, 1867

OREGON CORRESPONDENCE. Umatilla, Oregon, Nov. 12, 1867

EDS. OWYHEE AVALANCHE: Failing to connect with the steamer yesterday, I'm compelled to remain here till tomorrow and so thought it best to write you.

At daylight of the 6th, I turned my back on Silver. The ground being somewhat muddy at the time, there was no dust on my feet, hence I could shake none off. The only thing I carried away which I wished I'd left, was a little more than Christian's allowance of whisky. However, it was the fault of my friends, and they've always been indulged in their impositions upon me. But it does seem strange that one's friends always think his chief want on a journey is whisky, and that a junk-bottle of the article is the most appropriate token of friendship at parting. Had I carried away inside and out all the liquors offered me at leaving, I might have stopped anywhere and run a whisky mill for three months, and sold a good article all the time. At first thought, I was disposed to load the stage with bottled whisky and go afoot, but then I deemed such a proceeding would be specially wrong, as it would be taking away supplies which will be needed by ex-members of the Templars, and members who "withdraw" from time to time. To you — gentlemen of the Avalanche — I would recommend that — "You temper still, yet never to a fault, your wine with water, and your words with thought." It will be impossible for me to become indifferent to your welfare - now that it is mainly allied with the concern I labored pretty hard to give a healthy existence. It is easy and cheap to extend you good wishes — but something more tangible is requisite to permanent and profitable success. In the way of advice, I again cite you to the foregoing couplet of poetry — It contains a volume. If a column of observations from me now and then will do you any good, it shall be forthcoming, and I'll proceed at once to notice my trip and items on the way.

Ten hours comfortable stage riding carried me to Boise City. The dust was laid by rain and the day just cool enough to make the ride a recreation. It would not require a great exercise of culinary ingenuity and taste to improve the fare at the eating stations on the road from Owyhee to Boise City. I think if the proprietors could hear the remarks of passengers, they would improve. Between Boise City and here, with slight exceptions, the eating and sleeping were excellent — better than one would expect. Station keepers ought to learn that their charges, however large, are never considered exorbitant if the fare is neat, clean and wellprepared. If present rates are not high enough to justify more care and better cooking talent at certain stations, they should be increased. But judging from observations taken at Payette Ranch, Miller's, Meachem's, and other places, the regular price is enough to warrant accommodations that will secure the patronage and blessings of any passenger.

The trip from Silver here is made in five days, and with only a few hours night traveling. First day, to Boise City; second, to Miller's Ranch on Burnt River; third, to Uniontown, in Grande Ronde Valley; fourth, to Meachem's, on the Blue Mountains, and fifth, to Umatilla. The trip was so easy that I felt fresher on my arrival here yesterday than the day I started. The stock are all American, well-fed, cared for and full of life. The stages roomy and comfortable, and the drivers careful, sociable fellows. At every station the stock was in readiness and not a detention of ten minutes at any station. The road is in excellent order and mostly so nearly level that passengers are not invited to walk to exceed two miles on the whole route, and the privilege is to me a luxury. The stage have an escort of soldiers through the Owyhee and Burnt River canons, and I'm informed that this arrangement will be continued as long as the stage proprietors deem it desirable. Unless it be by men who desire to rush through the world at the expense of their own personal comfort, and would prefer losing needful sleep and indulge in tedious night rides, no fault can be found with the management for the Pioneer Stage Line from Boise City to Umatilla.

Homedale Legion honors WWI vets

American Legion and Auxiliary, Post No. 32, Homedale, hosted an appreciation dinner on November 14 honoring World War I veterans, their wives, and widows.

Honored guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walt Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Vanderhoff, Mr. and Mrs. George Vanderhoff, Wanda Sullivan, Amy Adams, Verda Johnston, Agnes Parr, Clarice Burr, Jennie Fisher, Helen Richards, Helen Graham and Eunice Swigert. They were seated at a gold cloth covered table with blue candles flanking a centerpiece of red, white and blue, featuring buddy poppies. Manford Logan and Russ Seaquest were unable to attend.

Bob Paxton, master of ceremonies, welcomed 52 guests. Louise Murray gave the invocation. Commander Paul Fountain spoke to the group and introduced Frances Hilbert, President of the Auxiliary. Corsages and boutonnieres were presented to the honored guests by the two officers. Group singing of "America" followed.

Manford Stimmels plan move to Jordan Valley

Mr. and Mrs. Manford Stimmel plan to lease their farm and move to Jordan Valley to assist his mother Mrs. Mina Oliver on her ranch. Mrs. Stimmel and children will remain here until school is out.

Their son Mark Stimmel and family also plan to move to the Jordan Valley ranch before Jan. 1.

The Stimmels will hold a farm sale Dec. 4.

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OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES NOVEMBER 13, 2007 OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioner's Freund, Tolmie, and Hoagland, Clerk Sherburn, Treasurer Richards, Sheriff Aman, Prosecutor Faulk, Fred Grant and Jim Desmond.

The agenda was amended to include an executive session.

The Board denied the waiver of the Building permit fees requested by Bruneau-GrandView School District.

The Board adopted Resolution 07-38 setting a public hearing on rural addressing fees for December 3rd at 10:00.

The Board approved the agreement with Blackstock Livestock for continued grazing on the proposed Elephant Butte landfill site.

The Board approved a letter be sent to Idaho Dept of Fish and Game regarding proposed coordination.

The Board approved a letter be sent to Idaho Dept of Fish and Game on the possible creation of a state-wide Candidate Conservation Agreement for Sage Grouse.

The Board approved a letter be sent to Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game on possible diversion of funds for Sage Grouse projects for 2007 to the Restoration projects related to Murphy Complex Fire.

The Board sent a letter to Donna Bennett, Chairman of the Local Sage Grouse Working Group regarding the Owyhee Uplands Team.

The Board sent a letter to John Romero regarding the establishment of the Owyhee Uplands Team.

At 11:00 a.m. the Board moved into executive session on a personnel issue. No action was taken

The Board approved a gravel purchase agreement with Bob Bruce for repair of the Juniper Mountain, and South Mountain Roads.

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

07-46 the Board approved a lien be placed.

07-43 the Board approved payment with a reimbursement agreement.

07-44 the Board approved payment with a reimbursement agreement.

The Board held a coordination meeting with the Twin Falls Alice E. Pegram City Clerk/Treasurer City of Homedale (208-337-4641) <u>11/21,28/07</u>

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Marsing Planning and Zoning will hold a public hearing on December 3, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St. Marsing, ID

The purpose of the public hearing is to hear public comment on a special use permit from Jade & Kenneth Black to have their business part of their home. The address is 420 Main Street.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend. Written comments will be received by the P & Z secretary until November 30, 2007.

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

Christy Martinat

P & Z secretary 11/21,28/07

NOTICE OF EQUALIZATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Board of Directors of the Gem Irrigation District will meet at their office at 1:15 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 to sit as a Board of Equalization for the purpose of reviewing and correcting its assessments and apportionment of taxes for defraying the expenses of the District for the year 2008. Any compliant concerning the assessments or any changes desired must be entered with the secretary of the District before the above date to receive proper consideration from the Board.

The 2008 assessment may be seen at the Gem Irrigation District office in Homedale, Idaho.

Connie Chadez, Secretary 11/28/07

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Notice of Trustee's Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: November 7, 2007 File No .: 7023.14172 Sale date and time (local time): March 10, 2008 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 2049 Patriot Lane Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Lloyd W. Anderson, a single person Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company Original beneficiary: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. Recording date: January 29, 2004 Recorder's instrument number: 246586 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of November 7, 2007: \$88,781.89 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent

the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Parcel I: A parcel of land being a portion of the Southwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian. Owyhee County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a brass cap marking the Southwest corner of the said Southwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian; thence along the Southerly boundary of the said Southwest Quarter of Section 31 North 90 degrees 00' 00" East 1657.86 feet to an iron pin, said pin also being the Real Point of Beginning; thence leaving said Southerly boundary North 00 degrees 58' 51" East 658.03 feet to an iron pin; thence North 89 degrees 26' 42" East 175.07 feet to an iron pin; thence South 01 degree 50' 04" West 52.65 feet to an iron pin; thence South 87 degrees 25' 01" East 336.57 feet to an iron pin; thence North 72 degrees 30, 43" East 204.11 feet to an iron pin; thence South 85 degrees 07^{*} 40" East 88.22 feet to an iron pin; thence South 00 degrees 19' 24" West 645.70 feet to a point on the said Southerly boundary of Section 31, said point marking the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 31: thence along said Southerly boundary South 90 degrees 00' 00" West 799.81 feet to the Point of Beginning. EXCEPT the following Parcel, more particularly described as: Beginning at a brass cap marking the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 31, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian; thence along the Southerly boundary of said Southwest Quarter of Section 31 North 90 degrees 00' 00" East 1657.86 feet to an iron pin; thence continuing along said Southerly boundary North 90 degrees 00' 00" East 799.81 feet to an iron pin; thence leaving said Southerly boundary North 00 degrees 19' 24" East 645.70 feet to an iron pin, also being the Real Point of Beginning; thence South 00 degrees 19'24" West 36.00 feet to a point; thence South 86 degrees 23'03" West 282.94 feet to an iron pin; thence North 72 degrees 30³ 43" East 204.11 feet to an iron pin; thence South 85 degrees 07' 40" East 88.22 feet to the Real Point of Beginning. Parcel III: Together with a non-exclusive

sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at <u>www.northwesttrustee.com</u> or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.14172) 1002.79097-FEI

11/21,28;12/5,12/07

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On the 20th day of March, 2008, at the hour of 11:30 a.m. of this day (recognized local time), in the lobby of Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, TitleOne Corporation, an Idaho corporation, as successor trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash or cashier's check (cash equivalent), in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale in compliance with Section 45-1506(9) Idaho Code, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

Lots 34 and 35, Block 1, Amended Plat of the Townsite of Bruneau, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Owyhee County Recorder.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessors office, the address of **32473 N. Belle Avenue, Bruneau, Idaho**, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Dennis D. Elledge and Karen L. Elledge, husband and wife, as Grantor(s), to TitleOne Corporation, an Idaho corporation, as successor trustee, and Harold A. Black and Araxy Black, husband and wife, as Beneficiary, recorded June 18, 2003, as Instrument No. 243932, and assigned to DBL Company, Inc., an Idaho Corporation, by an assignment recorded May 13, 2005, as Instrument No. 251876, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION (45-1506)(4)(A), IDAHO CODE.

NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments of \$196.00, due per month for the month of September 19, 2007 and all subsequent monthly payments of principal, interest, late charges and any miscellaneous fees thereafter. The Principal balance is \$26,093.41, the current interest rate is 7% per annum, as of October 29, 2007. All amounts are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Dated: November 21, 2007 TITLEONE CORPORATION Successor Trustee By: Amy L. Wilcoxson Trust Officer 11/28;12/5,12,19/07

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 57-11693 KENNETH COOPER PATRICIA A COOPER 1653 SUCCOR CREEK RD HOMEDALE ID 83628 Point(s) of Diversion NWNESE S18 TO3N R05W OWYHEE County Source SPRING Tributary To SAGE CREEK Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 To 12/31 0.05 CFS Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 To 12/31 0.04 CFS Total Diversion: 0.09 CFS Date Filed: 02/02/2007 Place Of Use: DOMESTIC T03N R05W S18 NESE Place Of Use: STOCKWATER SAME AS DOMESTIC

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 12/10/2007. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

DAVID R. TÜTHILL, JR., Director 11/21,28/07

DISTRICT BLM.

The complete minutes can be viewed in the Clerk's office. /s/Richard Freund Attest s/Charlotte Sherburn 11/28/07

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Council and Mayor of the City of Homedale on the 12th day of December, 2007, at 7:00 p. m. at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho.

The subject matter of this hearing is the Application for Vacation of Public Right-Of-Way filed by Homedale Plaza Partners, LLC, to vacate the alley at Fifth Street and Riverside Avenue adjacent to the "old salvage yard.

The public is invited to attend and offer input.

Southwest Quarter Southwest Quarter, Section 31, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence South a distance of 50.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 58' 59" East a distance of 1617.00 feet; thence South 07 degrees 23' 49" East a distance of 565.64 feet; thence South 00 degrees 58' 04" West a distance of 56.84 feet; thence North 89 degrees 26' 42" East a distance of 65.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 58' 04" East 90.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 26' 42" West 37.00 feet; thence North 07 degrees 23' 49" West a distance of 582.50 feet, more or less, to a point on the North line of the South One-half of the Southwest Quarter, Section 31, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian; thence South 89 degrees 58' 59" West a distance of 1645.50 feet, more or less, to the Point of Beginning. The

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Monday noon the week of publication

Legal notice deadline Friday noon the week prior to publication

The Owyhee Avalanche 337-4681

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Loan No: 0020955829 T.S. No.: 07-7843-ID On 3/12/2008 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), At the main entrance to the Owyhee County Courthouse, Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650. In the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, First American Titile Insurance Company, as Trustee on behalf of Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation will sell at public auc-tion to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Legal Description Attached Exhibit A Part of Government Lot 3, Section 26, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Government Lot 3 (West Quarter corner), said corner monumented with a 3 inch diameter aluminum cap monument; thence South 90°00'00" East a distance of 345.00 feet along the Northerly boundary of said Government Lot 3, to the Point of Beginning, said point monumented with a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence continuing South 90°00'00" East a distance of 15.00 feet along the Northerly boundary of said Government Lot 3 to a 1/2inch diameter iron pin; thence South 00°00'00" east a distance of 150.00 feet parallel with the Westerly boundary of said Governmental Lot 3 to a 1/2inch diameter iron pin; thence

south 90°00'00" East a distance of 166.83 feet to a point on the Westerly right of way of State Highway No. 78, said point monumented with a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin; thence 638.76 feet along the arc of a 5,829.58 foot radius tangent curve left, along the Westerly right of way of said State Highway No. 78, the long chord of which bears South 28°36'52" east a distance of 638.43 feet to a 1/2 inch diameter iron pin: thence North 89°21'44" West a distance of 487.61 feet to a 1/25 inch diameter iron pin; thence North 00°00'00" East a distance of 705.03 feet parallel with the Westerly boundary of said Government lot 3 of the Point of Beginning. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for the purposes of compliance with section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 8083 State Highway 78 Marsing, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with the said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: Chessica Ryska, a single woman, As grantors, To: First American Title Insurance Company, as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, as Beneficiary, dated 2/27/2006, recorded 03/03/2006,

as Instrument No. 255434, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 2/27/2006. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$1,611.16 due per month from 3/1/2007 through 1/16/2008, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$173,179.64, plus accrued interest at the rate of 8.8% per annum from 2/1/2007All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: 11/9/2007 By: First American Title Insurance Company By Allnation Default Services, Its Duly Authorized Agent 4665 MacArthur Court Suite 250 Newport Beach, CA 92660 949-252-2800 Lisa Bradford, Trustee Sale Officer P336587

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HELP WANTED Calf feeder wanted, Owyhee

Dairy 337-4226 Bruneau-Grand View Joint School Dist. No. 365 will be accepting applications for the following position: Head Cook at Grand View Elementary. Position open until filled. The position shall be considered in all respects "Employment at will". Classified application may be obtained on the school district web site at www.sd365.us or at the District Office in Grand View. For more information contact: JayDene Aquiso, Food Service Supervisor, PO Box 158, Bruneau, ID 83604. jaquiso@ sd365.us website - sd365.us 845-2492 fax 845-2495

Owyhee Publishing Co. is now accepting applications for a part-time position. Semi-heavy lifting and willingness to learn required. Please apply in person, 19 East Idaho, Homedale.

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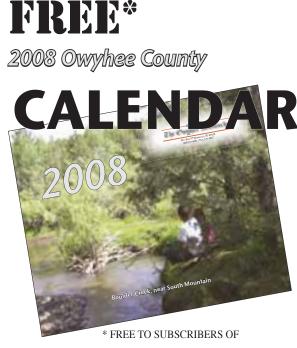
300 – Parma, ID 83660 Sec-Treas. for part time job, approx. 20 hours a month starting Jan. 2008. Position requires computer skills; able to be bonded plus a notary; accounts payable & receivable; budget planning; attend monthly meeting and taking minutes. Send resume to Gem Hwy Dist., Box 453, Marsing, Idaho 83639 by Dec. 6, 2007.

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FOR RENT

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4 bdrm split level (2 families ok) large fenced yard, Homedale. \$750 + dep. 573-1704

Storages for rent, Pioneer Mini Storage 4155 Pioneer Rd, Homedale 208-337-4589 or 208-573-2844

Marsing Storage, Inc. Hwy 55 & Van Rd. New 10x10 units available. Boat & RVs welcome. Call 867-2466

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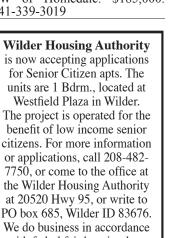
FARM AND RANCH

Top prices paid! Farm ground wanted, Homedale area 337-4226

Reg. black Angus cows for sale, 5 older spring calving cows & 2 pairs w/ big claves; also, fall yearlings, bulls ready to work. Hyde Ranch Angus 208-834-2505

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Small antique tilt top table, claw feet \$150 cash or trade for butter turn-wood ducks or ? 896-4687 **Camper shell** fits full size 1980-89 Ford pick-up, good condition \$75. Ray 845-2206

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