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## Report: Assessor admitted wrongdoing

Tax commission official study says county knew about Endicott's apparent malfeasance

Owyhee County Assessor Brett Endicott acknowledged committing what a state official has characterized as malfeasance and once asked "Am I going to jail?," according to a recently published report from the Idaho State Tax Commission.

Idaho State Tax Commission consulting appraiser Kathlynn Ireland,

who has worked with Endicott's office on annual ratio studies since 2005, authored the report entitled "Investigation of Owyhee County's Valuation Practices as Prescribed by Mr. Brett Endicott, Owyhee County Assessor."

The report includes a Dec. 20, 2007, letter in which ISTC section manager

Scott Erwin writes of Endicott's apparent lack of knowledge of the time adjustment process employed by assessors to gauge market value.

The 116-page document also suggests that since May 2007 county Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Faulks has been aware of what Ireland has called malfeasance. Such misconduct

by a public official is a misdemeanor under Idaho Code.

Ireland writes in the summary of the report that the malfeasance — which she originally alleged in the May 7, 2008, edition of The Owyhee Avalanche — has been corroborated

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Brett Endicott

## Anywhere angler



### Marsing pond attracts fly fisherman

While other folks were gawking at the classic cars parked Saturday at Island Park, Marsing resident Joe Raine found some solitude — and quite a few fish — angling in the nearby pond. The car show was part of the Blue Hawaii Days Marsing Festival. For more photos from Marsing, see **Page 13**.

## Garbage rates increases OK'd

Westowns Disposal Inc.'s request for more revenue to combat spiking fuel prices was granted by Owyhee County and the City of Marsing last week.

The Homedale City Council initially gave unanimous approval to a \$1 per month increase, but later discovered that a public hearing was required because the rate hike constitutes an increase of more than 5 percent of the current \$8.25.

Homedale's public hearing is scheduled for 6 p.m. on July 10 at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., and residents have until 5 p.m. that day to submit comments.

Former Homedale mayor Erv Gifford was the only resident to speak, pleading that the council consider re-examining the rate if

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## ION Museum grand opening set in Jordan Valley

### Pastime of a time passed

This Edison Co., phonograph — built between 1888 and 1903 — sits in the Pastime room of the ION Heritage Museum. Submitted photo



### Regional heritage on display during Saturday event

Organizers of Jordan Valley's museum finally get to say thanks to their benefactor Saturday.

Portland resident and Jordan Valley native John A. Elorriaga is the guest of honor as the ION Heritage Museum holds its dedication ceremony Saturday morning.

Festivities begin at 9 a.m. with the museum opening with free

admission, vendors on hand and cultural and historical demonstrations. Elorriaga will be grand marshal for the 11 a.m. parade.

The dedication takes place at 11 a.m. at the museum at 502 Swisher Ave., which was Elorriaga's childhood home and a boarding house for people traveling through on what would be-

come the Idaho-Oregon-Nevada (ION) highway. To get to the museum, turn east off U.S. Highway 95 onto Swisher just north of the highway's turn to the west.

Elorriaga, 84, was born in Jordan Valley to Bizkaian immigrants. He went on to become a

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## Kelly gets life without parole

Winston Kelly, convicted for the murder of a Reno, Nev., man whose body was found in Owyhee County, has been sentenced to life in prison without parole.

An Elko County District Court jury handed down the sentence Thursday. A week before his sentencing, Kelly was convicted of first-degree murder in the killing of Peter Braun.

Kelly was arrested by Elmore County Sheriff's deputies in April 2007 after he was found asleep in Braun's truck.

## Decision could help cattlemen

A decision in a prolonged federal court case could strengthen Owyhee County ranchers in battles with the U.S. government.

U.S. Court of Federal Claims Judge Loren A. Smith ruled in the 17-year-old *Hage vs. U.S.*, earlier this month, awarding nearly \$9 million to the estate of Nevada rancher Wayne Hage.

The June 6 decision marked a victory over the U.S. government as Smith ruled the U.S. Forest Service violated the Fifth Amendment with a "taking" of Hage's water right. Hage filed suit in 1991. The final award was \$4.2 million, but Smith also ordered interest payments of \$4.4 million.

Owyhee Initiative Work Group co-chair Fred Kelly Grant said the decision will help Owyhee County ranchers in negotiations with the Bureau of Land Management, and also gives them guidance for any future takings lawsuits.

Grant said the decision also gives the Board of County Commissioners more leverage in coordination with the BLM.

"Actions by the BLM which restrict grazing to the point of the

rancher going out of business, or cancellations of (grazing) permits, must be based on the best science, or may be considered arbitrary, bringing into play the *Hage* decision," he wrote in an e-mail. "We can use the Data Quality Act as well as other statutes to challenge the quality of data and form a base for a Hage claim."

Grant also said that if the Owyhee Initiative becomes law, *Hage* gives the commissioners and the Initiative Work Group board a "tougher hand to play" with the feds through Science Review.

## OCD conducts Summer Tour

The Owyhee Conservation District invites the public to its annual Summer Tour, which will be held at 9 a.m. Friday.

Those taking the tour will meet at the U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., in Marsing. From there, car pools will visit the 319 Field Demonstration in Marsing and the Wetland Project Partnership in Homedale.

A free lunch will be served in Homedale.

Participants must RSVP by Thursday to OCD administrative assistant Gina Millard at 896-4544, ext. 102.

## Festival makes its annual run in GV

### Events kick off with Firemen's barbecue Friday

The traditional Grand View Homecoming Days celebration returns to the small town this week.

Volunteers from around the area get together tonight for the annual town cleanup. All participants meet at 6:30 p.m. at Lions Park.

The three-day Homecoming Days event begins at 6 p.m. Friday back at Lions Park for the annual Grand View Fire Department Firemen's Pit Barbecue. Tickets

are \$8 for adults and \$6 for children.

The centerpiece of the weekend begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday with the annual parade. Gary Blank serves as master of ceremonies for the parade, which will showcase the Max Collett family as grand marshals. Braxton Carothers will sing the National Anthem.

After the parade, activities split between Centennial Park and the nearby softball field for the annual Grand View Days softball tournament that benefits Grand View Little League.

There will be games, children's activities, food, beverages and the annual Marketplace in

Centennial Park. Vendors will sell arts and crafts items during the Marketplace.

St. Henry's Catholic Church, the Grand View Chamber of Commerce and Grand View American Legion Post 134 will run a booth selling hamburgers and chorizos. Valley Christian Church also will have a food booth, and there will be booths selling tacos and ice cream.

The Story Lady, the wife of parade master of ceremonies Gary Blank and a former employee of Paramount Studios — according to Grand View postmaster Jale Rubelt — will hold a story time in the park, too.

Other events in the park include a free craft booth for children featuring sand art, a parachute activity and a bicycle rodeo at 3 p.m. Call Grand View Councilperson Pat Beaman at (208) 834-2724 for more information on the bicycle rodeo.

There also will be a children's storytime held in the park Saturday.

Softball tournament coordinator Dale Gray plans to field a six-team competition this year.

The annual Lions Club Breakfast will be held Sunday morning at Lions Park.

A donation is requested for the meal.

## Bible school starts Monday

The Homedale Friends Community Church will hold a Vacation Bible School Monday through June 27.

Children eligible range from 4-year-olds through those who have completed fifth grade.

Registration takes place at 8:30 a.m. Monday, with Bible school hours running 9 a.m. to noon each day.

This year's theme is "Solar Express Empowered by the Son!" The school includes Bible lessons, snacks, crafts, games and music.

A donation of \$5 is suggested for each child, but all are welcome regardless of ability to pay.

Transportation from Homedale Elementary School to and from the church on U.S. Highway 95 will be available. Pickup is 8:45 a.m. and drop-off is at 12:15 p.m.

Call the church, 337-3464, for more information.

## Basque celebration returns to Homedale

The second annual public celebration of the Txoko Ona Basque Club takes place Sunday in Homedale.

The event includes a lunch and free entertainment and exhibitions with Basque flavor. A free dance inside the Txoko Ona community center caps the day.

Lunch, which will be served from noon to 1:30 p.m., costs \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and younger. The menu includes salad, beans, a meat entree, roll, rice pudding and a drink.

After lunch, several exhibitions of the Basque culture begin. There is no charge to watch the demon-

strations, which include:

- A weight-lifting exhibition
- A shepherd bread cooking demonstration by Tony Larrocea
- Performances by local dance troupes, including Boise Oinkari Dancers and the youth Herribatza group taught by Homedale resident Gloria Lejardi.

Chorizos, solomo sandwiches, beer, wine, pop and water also will be sold throughout the day.

From 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Amuma Says No will provide the music for the dance.

Last June, Txoko Ona presented a two-day festival to celebrate the opening of its center.

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# Attendance dips, but Outpost Days still soars

Museum director ecstatic over success of this year's festival in Murphy

Gas prices and the threat of unseasonable weather may have dampened attendance at Outpost Days, but Dr. Thom Couch is happy with the results of the 39<sup>th</sup> annual event.

Couch said that many of the estimated 1,500 people who visited Murphy for the June 7-8 celebration showed up during the second day.

"We had about 1,500 people over the two days," he said. "We had a little less (than usual) because of the cold day on Saturday. Sunday was a perfect day, and it was reflected in the number of people here."

Attendance was down by between 500 and 700 visitors, he said.

"I'm thinking gas prices had a lot to do with it, even though it was a little cool and it did rain a little bit. We didn't see as many out-of-area people as we normally do."

But even with a lighter turnout, Outpost Days thrived this year, Couch said.

And more of the same could be on the horizon for the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary Outpost Days in 2009. Couch said there is talk of a parade.

The silver anniversary horned toad races were held on June 8, and Couch lauded the turnout of competitors with some dry wit.

"The horned toad races were some of the best we've had in many years," he said. "We had 15 toads registered after they all passed their steroids tests."

Three heats featuring five amphibians each were held to pare the field down to the finals.

Megan Walker, a 10-year-old from Murphy, won the 2008 championship with a toad named Flap Jack. Eric Verghagen, 13 and another Murphy resident, finished second with Tiddie Springer. Abe Riley, a 6-year-old from Oreana, coached Mudslinger to third place.

"The top three were given trophies and certificates and the others were given certificates of participation," Couch said. "The certificates name them to be professional horned toad racers. It says they have joined the International Order of Professional Horned Toad Jockeys and Racers."

The unusually named Murphy the Flagalence garnered 10-year-old Alex DeAro the best-named toad honor at the meet. Couch said that Murphy also had the distinc-

tion of being the only toad with a personal trainer, Tiana Williams of Nampa.

Jessica Riley, 9, of Oreana finished second in the best-named toad contest with a beast that was probably better suited for the baseball diamond than the race track — or may have been found near a near creek — Sink-er Slider.

VerHagen's Tiddie Springer claimed third in the best-named category.

In other developments at Outpost Days:

The first year of the Buckaroo Breakfast was a massive hit as was the annual quilt raffle. In all, the breakfast, held both days, and the quilt raffle and auction, held on June 8, brought in more than \$8,500 for the Owyhee County Historical Museum.

"This was the best quilt raffle we've ever had," Couch said. "We're going to raise about \$3,600."

Betty Good, who doubled as the school marm in the old schoolhouse, crafted a ranch hand quilt for the raffle, which was won by Nina Bachman-Gilbert.

"That is, by far, the most we ever raised with that raffle."

The best call of the 2008 Outpost Days seemed to be replacing the annual barbecue with a Buckaroo Breakfast, a meal sponsored by R&M Steel that was served by Bill and Mary Shaw, Bill Alexander, Jim Skelton, Nick Ihli, former Marsing mayor Fay Phrimmer, Will Hyslop, Carol and Merrill Ebbers and others both mornings.

"The Buckaroo Breakfast was a smashing success," Couch said. "We sold out the first day and had a very good second day."

Bill Shaw said June 7 that the breakfast sold out that morning — 100 meals at a price of \$5 each. Couch said that Kevin Tycz, the manager for Paul's Market in Homedale, did a yeoman's job getting the breakfast restocked in time for the June 8 finale.

"Kevin was just great in working with us on that," Couch said. "It took us surprise. We had hoped we'd sell 100 breakfasts over the two days, and we actually sold almost 200 over the two days. It was extremely successful."

Couch said the breakfast was a brainstorm to remove some of the competition the annual barbecue may have created with food vendors who sell at the event.



## Plenty of education and fun in Murphy

**Top:** Burt Brennan shows a crowd how an antique power grinder creates corn meal during the first day of Outpost Days in Murphy. **Right:** The Bob Miller Band performs on the Depot Stage. The depot is the old Marsing rail station.

If it seemed that Outpost Days this year had more energy than in the past, it could have been because of greener pastures — literally — have arrived at OCHS complex in Murphy.

Couch said that part of a \$125,000 Idaho Department of Commerce Community Block grant has been used to add greenery to the grounds. With donations from DG Sod and Bud Burgess, the museum was able to lay 10,000 square feet of sod on a common area between the Stamp Mill, main museum building and the old Marsing train depot.

"Ed Good cares for the greenery, and he laid all this grass," Couch said. "He's a retired farmer in Murphy. He and his grandson, Micah (Good), laid the sod and put the sprinklers in. They have done some incredible things."

According to Couch, the museum earned the state grant because McKeeth Hall has been designated as a community center for central Owyhee County. Some of the money also has been used to pave parking lots, provide handicapped accessibility and install lighting.



Couch said that more trees may be planted at a later date.

The museum director said that the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office manned a shooting range throughout the weekend inside the clubhouse. Sheriff Gary Aman was listed as the sponsor for the range, and Couch said the sheriff's participation and that of the Murphy Reynolds Wilson Fire District were welcomed additions.

"The MRW EMTs (Central Owyhee Quick Response Unit) and fire department were here with a first aid tent, and they got to show off some of their new equipment," Couch said.

The annual cattle drive turned into a daylong clinic in the ranching lifestyle as members of the District II Idaho Youth Horse Council Working Ranch Horse Project lingered after their entrance to demonstrate the aren't of cutting cattle and roping.

"That was great to do that. It really added something to Outpost Days," Couch said. "That was phenomenal that they were able to do that and stay."

The cattle drive provided inspiration for next year's event poster. Murphy artist Donna Bortfield used her photography to create the 2008 poster, and Couch said she'll use a shot taken of the cattle drive to design next year's poster.

Couch said that Bortfield's poster of a silhouetted cowboy riding fence was a big seller, especially with the artist signing copies for visitors.

"She made the traditional-style poster, and that poster was so popular that we have virtually none left," Couch said. "We had not planned on selling that poster, but we've had so many ask for signed copies that Donna set up a table signed posters."

— JPB

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# Assessor answers charges in state report

Owyhee County Assessor Brett Endicott submitted answers to the following questions from *The Owyhee Avalanche* on Monday morning, four days after receiving an e-mail asking for comment on the May 15 report on his performance by Idaho State Tax Commission consulting appraiser Kathlynn Ireland.

— Ed.

**Question: Did you tell Kathleen Ireland she was not allowed to review information in the county offices for the 2005 ratio study?**

**Answer:** No. To my knowledge I have never refused her information that she asked for. I did ask her to go through me to get information. I wanted to be involved in the communications going in and I asked that she call ahead of time and make sure that I was going to be in the office during her visits. I felt that she was confrontational and I wanted to be present when she gained information.

**Q: How do you respond to Ms. Ireland’s claim that in a January 2006 conversation, you told her you had thrown away sales verification letters and had no record of reported sales prices utilized in the 2005 report?**

**A:** What I told her was that I had changed some of the sale price values. She told me that it might be better if I didn’t have the verification letters. I interpreted this as a statement that I should destroy them. But, I never did destroy them. I preserved them and showed them to the county commissioners when she made the first statement that I had destroyed such letters. During the conversation I did not tell her that I had pre-

served the letters. As I have said I felt that she was confrontational, and I wasn’t real sure how open I should be with the fact that I had preserved the records.

**Q: Did you admit to Ms. Ireland that you had falsified data for the 2005 ratio study and previous ratio studies during a June 22, 2006 conversation?**

**A:** I probably confirmed our conversation that we had in January 2006. Again, I did not tell her that I had preserved the letters, and she probably believed that I had destroyed them.

**Q: Can you explain the difficulty that Ms. Ireland claims to have had in getting information from your office after the June 22 meeting (three trips to obtain verification letters that she claims you previously had said were discarded)?**

**A:** I had divided the sales data into three categories rural, town, subdivision. I and the appraisers were working on them to figure out how much we needed to index the land. When a category was completed I delivered it to her. I can’t explain why the idea of copying them never occurred to me so that I could deliver them to her all at once. It was something that could have easily been done had I just thought to do it.

**Q: What is your reaction to the itemized list of falsified sales prices on Page 5 of Section II in the May 15, 2008, report?**

**A:** It could be some were bare land sales when we received them. When the Tax Commission received their’s some six months later, they had improvements or had added improvements. With the limited knowledge I have of

the information on these sales that would be my best conclusion.

**Q: What is your recollection of the Feb. 21, 2007, meeting with the state tax commission attended by yourself, Commissioners Freund and Hoagland?**

**A:** Mr. Carl Olsen (sic: Carl Olsson), their attorney, did most of the talking mainly how the tax commission had no confidence in me. The commissioners and I went to the meeting, believing it was an informal discussion about what was going wrong and how we were going to work through it. Rather than an informal meeting, we ran into the attorney and a formal group of tax commission officials. When asked what I was going to change, I told them that I would be more aggressive in obtaining sales data. We would send out sales verification letters and follow up response letters. I would cultivate more realtors to obtain MLS listing. We would be going on ProVal, a computer appraisal program. I also thanked the State consulting appraiser for all of her hard work. Steve Fiscus said that we would move to the front of the line in getting ProVal in our county.

**Q: Explain what personality conflicts there are between Ireland and yourself as alluded to by Commissioner Freund in the Feb. 21, 2007, meeting (according to Ms. Ireland’s account of the meeting).**

**A:** I realize that I let personalities get between the State Consulting Appraiser and I, and it has affected our working relationship. In my position I deal with a lot of people and I need to remember that I need to get along with those

that don’t pay my salary. The State Consulting Appraiser is only doing her job. She owes loyalty to the state tax commission, and I serve the taxpayers of Owyhee County. At times I have let her “state-attitude” bother me, but I realize she is only doing what statutes and the commission directives tell her to do. I also recognize that I must work efficiently with her.

**Q: Did you tell Michael Brinker of Sunrise Sky Park that the state tax commission was responsible for value increases in the county prior to Mr. Brinker’s tax appeal hearing in Murphy on Dec. 18, 2007, as suggested by State Tax Commission section manager Scott Erwin in his Dec. 20, 2007, letter to division administrator Steve Fiscus?**

**A:** I have met with the home owners of Sky Park and numerous other people in the county to explain that the values on their property comes from the sales data collected in Owyhee County only, not as they some times believe that it comes from data collected in Canyon and Ada counties. That the tax commission does ratio studies on all of the counties in the state each year, to make sure that we all are at market value in all of our categories. If we are out of compliance in one or many of our categories it is their job by statute to make sure that we make the corrections that will bring us

to market value. In making these statements, I explain the relationship between the tax commission and me as Assessor. I tell only the truth, and often the tax commission does drive our values. But, that is the truth. The fact that they may drive our values does not mean that we haven’t done the wrong thing in the past, but they do drive our values. I don’t think I say it in a way to place blame, but I do tell the truth about it.

**Q: What is your reaction to the conclusions about your performance drawn by Erwin in his letter to Fiscus?**

**A:** I am the County Assessor, elected by local citizens of Owyhee County, and I intend to remain in that office as long as the people want me. So, I won’t let Mr. Erwin’s letter drive me out of office. I have to enter the new year’s activities putting all such things as the negative letter, and personality conflicts which I might have away and out of the picture. I will do this positively, and I will work hard to improve my working relationship with the assigned consulting appraiser and the tax commission. I will also keep the County Commissioners in the loop of communications so that they are aware of the communications and the status between my office and the tax commission. Hopefully, next year Mr. Erwin can be more positive in his letter.

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## Friends of Lizard Butte Library ready to elect 2008-09 officers

The Friends of the Lizard Butte Library organization will elect new officers for the coming year at its annual meeting

The meeting is set for 6 p.m. on Thursday in the library’s Community Room, 111 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. W., in Marsing.

Current library board president Dottie Christensen asks all Friends of the Lizard Butte Library members and their guests to attend the meeting. Refreshments will be served.

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## From page 1

*“I think (Brett Endicott) lacks the ability to comprehend the appraisal and assessment process, and resents those who do understand it and are trying to get him to comply with assessment statute and rule.”*

— **Scott Erwin**, Idaho State Tax Commission section head in letter published in Kathlynn Ireland’s report

### ✓ **Assessor:** State tax commission section manager suggests incompetency

by independent evidence she has collected through correspondence with county property owners.

She also writes that Endicott admitted to falsifying sales prices so the 2005 ratio study would pass muster with the state tax commission despite actual property assessments of between 12.86 percent and 84.94 percent of market value. Those numbers are far below the threshold of what the state sees as acceptable ratios — between 90 percent and 110 percent of market value.

#### Sales prices falsified

The report itemizes 16 properties for which, Ireland said, Endicott falsified sales prices on documents furnished to the state tax commission for its 2006 ratio study. The properties included parcels west in and around Homedale, in and around Marsing, Melba, Grand View and Murphy, and valuations submitted by the assessor’s office were between one-quarter of market value to three times market value.

The report states that Endicott admitted to falsifying the information in the 2005 ratio study as well as previous studies during his time in office. Endicott has been county assessor since 2002. He is up for re-election next year.

Data in Ireland’s report pertaining to the 2005 ratio study compared assessed values with sales prices reported by Endicott and sales prices reported by the property owners. Ireland said she sent out her own round of sales verification letters in June 2006 after Endicott told her six months earlier that he had discarded sales verification documentation and had no record of the sales prices he used in his 2005 report to the tax commission.

#### Verifications discarded

In a June 22, 2006, conversation with Endicott, Ireland reports she informed him that he was in violation of Idaho Code 63-105A, which charges tax officials with maintaining records on property valuation.

“Mr. Endicott’s response was, ‘Am I going to jail?’ When asked why he thought he would be going to jail, he then admitted openly to me that he had falsified data on the 2005 and previous ratio studies,” Ireland writes in her report.

According to Ireland, the

documentation that Endicott had claimed previously he discarded was handed over after she informed the assessor of disparity between sales prices reported by him and prices reported by property owners through her research with verification letters.

The sales verification letters are one tool that assessors use to collect data each year that is then submitted to the tax commission, which ensures county property valuations meet market value.

Ireland has said that inequitable market value ratios in the past in Owyhee County mean some property owners pay more than three times their fair share of taxes, while others have paid only a quarter of the amount for which they should be responsible. The practice, she said, also means under-funded schools and other taxing entities.

#### ISTC loses confidence

The comprehensive report includes the summary of a Feb. 21, 2007, meeting between officials from ISTC and the county in which deputy attorney general Carl Olsson, tax commission counsel, “clearly stated that the Tax Commission had lost all confidence in the Owyhee County Assessor, Brett Endicott, due to his proven malfeasance of office.”

Six “egregious acts” were itemized in the memo describing that meeting, which was called to review the county’s non-compliance in several land categories of the 2006 ratio study. Endicott and commissioners Dick Freund and Jerry Hoagland were in attendance.

The memo, dated March 7, 2007, says Endicott “fully admitted publicly” to committing the acts, including:

- Falsifying data to artificially keep property values erroneously low
- Inequitably valuing new construction owned by “newcomers” to the county in comparison to land values of established residents
- Failure to value property within 90 percent to 110 percent of market value as required by state law
- Failure to update parcel inventory on reappraisal
- Failure to create land schedules and equitably update land values
- Failure to honestly and accurately report sales statistics

throughout the county

The report states: “Mr. Endicott nodded in agreement to each item as it was conveyed. After Mr. Olsson finished his itemization of the above charges, Mr. Endicott openly agreed to having committed these acts.”

Initially declining comment on Thursday, Endicott responded late Monday morning to a series of questions e-mailed to him by The Owyhee Avalanche. A transcript of the questions and his answers appears on **Page 4**.

#### County officials notified

The comprehensive report was released on May 15, with copies sent to Endicott, commissioners Freund, Hoagland and Harold “Hal” Tolmie and county Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Faulks, according to Ireland.

The Owyhee Avalanche received a copy after submitting a public records request to Ireland’s supervisor, ISTC division administrator Steve Fiscus.

Although the report is dated three days after the county commissioners sent a letter to Fiscus requesting the removal of Ireland as consulting appraiser to the county, Ireland said the document had been in the works for some time and is not a rebuttal to the county’s request.

“Especially with all the issues that are still lingering on, I felt that it was time to put everything into one efficient package,” Ireland said.

Issues that linger, according to Ireland’s report, include Endicott continuing to restrict the state’s access to public records in the assessor’s office. A state tax commission section head, Scott Erwin, also wrote in a memo included in the report that he believes Endicott told a property owner that the state tax commission is to blame for increased assessments.

Ireland writes: “Rather than striving to correct inequitable valuations, the Assessor has chosen to continuously restrict access to public records, promote misinformation to property owners, and refuse to engage in assessment training with Owyhee County assessment personnel.”

#### Prosecutor informed

The report includes a memo written by Ireland stating that the allegations of Endicott’s malfeasance were

“communicated” to Faulks during a May 27, 2007, emergency meeting at the county courthouse in Murphy.

“I brought up every point regarding that,” Ireland said of the misconduct claims in an interview last week with the Avalanche. “I remember specifically asking the other elected officials, ‘Why would (Endicott) choose to not be at market value?’ And I expressed my concerns about the school districts, how they were under-funded in the past because he had been at 23 percent of market value rather than 100 percent of market value.”

The Avalanche e-mailed Faulks on Thursday, asking if steps had been taken to initiate an investigation into the state’s claims. Saying that he anticipated receiving further information on the matter, Faulks declined comment Monday morning.

“It is not appropriate for me to comment at this time,” Faulks wrote in an e-mail.

A “State Tax Commission” item was on the board of commissioners meeting agenda for June 9, but County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said that item was removed during the meeting. She said the commissioners reconvened on the topic Friday morning in executive session, adding that the reason for the closed meeting was “litigation.”

No further details about the meeting were available.

The report, which outlines Ireland’s work with the assessor’s office to ensure that property values in the county properly reflect market value, includes summaries of interaction between county and state officials dating from November 2005 through the recently completed 2007 ratio study. That ratio study was released earlier this year, with assessment notices going out late last month to county property owners.

#### Appeals due by Monday

Property owners have until Monday to file assessment appeals with the county assessor. Appeals are heard by the county Board of Equalization, which is comprised of Freund, Tolmie and Hoagland.

The 2008 assessments were mailed out on time in late May, but Ireland said her impromptu meeting with county elected officials in Murphy in May 2007 was called when she learned

that assessor’s office staff were scrambling to meet the June 2 deadline to mail assessments.

Ireland said tardy assessment notices mailing “usurps the individuals of Owyhee County of due process” because it doesn’t give property owners sufficient time to build appellate cases before the June 23 deadline to file for a hearing before the county BOE.

Scott Erwin, an ISTC section manager based in Rupert, relayed his observations to Steve Fiscus after a day of county Board of Tax Appeals hearings in December 2007. Erwin and Ireland sat in on the Dec. 18 hearings in Murphy during which three Sunrise Sky Park property owners — Michael Brinker, Jack Garner and Gary Hamilton — made their cases for reduced tax burdens.

#### Official questions ability

Erwin told of an episode in Hamilton’s hearing in which the property owner asked Endicott to explain how the time adjustments were calculated and applied to the sales of parcels to arrive at a market value.

Erwin writes that the hearing officer, Steve Wallace, recognized Endicott was struggling for an explanation and halted the hearing so the assessor could take Hamilton to his office to explain the process.

According to Erwin, Hamilton returned to testify that Endicott could neither make the calculation nor explain the time adjustments. The tax commission section head reports that Hamilton then calculated the time adjustment on his property during the hearing.

“It was interesting to see that the property owner knew more about the time adjustment process than the assessor did,” Erwin writes in his memo to Fiscus.

Ireland’s report summary outlines repeated difficulties in getting the assessor’s office to cooperate in the execution of her duties, and Erwin’s memo forecasts a continued strained relationship.

“Personally I don’t think this situation will ever change as long as Mr. Endicott is the Assessor,” Erwin writes. “I think he lacks the ability to comprehend the appraisal and assessment process, and resents those who do understand it and are trying to get him to comply with assessment statute and rule.”

— JPB







# Your finances

## Cage the creditor hounds then build emergency fund

**Dear Dave,**  
We just received a small inheritance of \$5,000. We have about \$21,000 in debt, and one of the creditors is calling every day because we aren't current with them. Do you think we should go ahead and start the Baby Steps or deal with this guy first?  
— Laura

**Dear Laura,**  
Let's get current before we start the Baby Steps. That way, you can focus on getting out of debt without someone hounding you all the time.  
Once you're current, get \$1,000 in the bank for an emergency fund as fast as you can. Then, start on your debt snowball and pay off all of your debts — except for the house — from smallest to largest. Make sure you're doing a written monthly budget to help you stay on track, too. On paper, on purpose before the month begins.  
I'm proud of you guys, Laura. Taking control of your money instead of letting it control you is the first step toward financial freedom!  
— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
We don't have a lot of debt. Right now, it's just the house and a student loan of about \$9,000. My father just asked if I wanted to buy his boat. We talked it over, and I could take the cash from my spending money each month and pay him. Would this be OK?  
— Robert

**Dear Robert,**  
I can't believe you just asked Dave Ramsey if it's OK to have a boat payment. I'm the guy who yells NO DEBT all the time, remember?  
Basically, what you're talking about here is going into debt to your dad to buy a boat. I love boats and being out on the water. If I were going to cave in on anything, it would be a boat. But there's not a chance in the world I'm going to tell you it's OK to have a stupid boat payment!  
In this kind of situation, you'd be taking on more debt PLUS it would create an awkward situation with your dad. It doesn't matter if the debt is to a finance company or a family member. The borrower



is always slave to the lender, Robert. Trust me, that Fourth of July cookout would taste and feel a lot different if you were sitting down with your master instead of just plain old dad.  
Having a boat is really cool and lots of fun, but first things first. Get out of debt, then save up!  
— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
What do you think about "piggybacking" on a person's credit card so that their credit score can go up?  
— Tony

**Dear Tony,**  
That is one of the worst things you could possibly do. It's a really bad idea. It's dumb. Am I being clear on this?  
Want to know why it's such a bad idea? If they don't pay, YOU get to fork over the cash. What a wonderful privilege and opportunity! And if someone's finances are in such bad shape they want to run on your credit, chances are they aren't going to pay and you'll get stuck.  
Besides, you don't want to run up your credit score, anyway. Do you know what your credit score really is? It's your "I Love Debt" score. The only way you get a big FICO score is to get in debt, stay in debt and make a lot of debt payments.  
Don't do it, Tony!  
— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is the best-selling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. He also is the host of *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](http://Davesays.org). For more financial advice, visit the Web site or call (888) 22-PEACE. Have a question for Dave? Send correspondence to [syndication@daveramsey.com](mailto:syndication@daveramsey.com) or write Dave Says, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

## Marsing library takes signups

Space is dwindling for the Lizard Butte Library's Summer Reading Program.  
"Catch the Reading Bug" will begin a weekly run at 3 p.m. Tuesdays on July 8. The program

open to ages 5-8 continues through Aug. 12.  
For information or to register for the program, call 896-4690.  
The library is located at 111 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. W., in Marsing.

# Engagement

## Mossi, Cestare to wed in S.C., on June 28



Stephanie Cestare and Sgt. Kenneth Mossi

Sgt. Kenneth Mossi and Stephanie Cestare are pleased to announce their engagement.  
Kenny, 22, is the son of Don (Gennie) Mossi of Middleton and Lori (Kenny) Acree of Wilder. He graduated from Homedale High School in 2003 and is a sergeant in the U.S. Army.  
Stephanie, 21, is the daughter of Peter and Donna Cestare graduated from Myrtle Beach High School in 2004. She also graduated in 2006 with a degree in Paramedic/Emergency Medical Services and has just graduated with a degree in nursing.  
Kenny has been stationed in Fayetteville, N.C., but is currently serving a 15-month deployment in Afghanistan.  
The wedding date is June 28, 2008 in Myrtle Beach, S.C., with Kenny's twin brother, Jay, as his best man. The couple plans to start their lives together in Myrtle Beach. Kenny plans to go to school full-time and obtain a degree in the medical field, as well as in business. Stephanie plans to work as a registered nurse while continuing on with her education.  
Kenny met Stephanie while in visiting Myrtle Beach, S.C., for the Fourth of July. They became engaged at midnight on New Year's Eve in 2007.

# Calendar

**Today**  
**El-Ada commodity distribution**  
11 a.m. to noon, Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main St., Marsing. (208) 337-4812  
**Homedale library summer reading**  
3:30 p.m., Create-A-Bug, Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228  
**Grand View Days town cleanup**  
6:30 p.m., Lions Park, Grand View. (208) 834-2912  
**DivorceCare recovery support group**  
7 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151  
**Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting**  
7 p.m., Essence of Life, 107 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-7001  
**County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan meeting**  
7 p.m., Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy

**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. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893  
**Friends of the Lizard Butte Library meeting**  
6 p.m., annual meeting, Lizard Butte Library Community Room, 111 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. W. Marsing. (208) 455-2550  
**AA meeting**  
8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

**Friday**  
**Grand View Days Fireman's Pit Barbecue**  
6 p.m., Lions Park, Grand View. (208) 834-2912  
**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**  
**ION Heritage Museum dedication**  
9 a.m., Jordan Valley ION Heritage Museum, 502 Swisher Ave. (541) 586-2100  
**Grand View Days**  
10:30 a.m., parade, softball tournament and marketplace, downtown and Centennial Park, Grand View. (208) 834-2912 for general information, (208) 834-3061 for softball tournament information  
**Saturday night dance**  
7 p.m., bring finger food, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

(208) 337-3020  
**Sunday**  
**Grand View Days Lions Club Breakfast**  
Morning, Grand View  
**Txoko Ona annual picnic**  
Noon, \$10, Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., Homedale  
**Txoko Ona annual cultural exhibitions**  
1:30 p.m., free, Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., Homedale

**Monday**  
**County Board of Commissioners meeting**  
Courtroom 2, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy

**Tuesday**  
**Exercise class**  
11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020  
**Pure Word recovery meeting**  
7 p.m., Snake River Valley Fellowship, 20 E. Oregon Ave, Homedale. (208) 475-3733  
**AA meeting**  
8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

**Wednesday**  
**Homedale library summer reading**  
3:30 p.m., Bats at the Beach, Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228  
**DivorceCare recovery support group**  
7 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151

**Thursday, June 26**  
**Exercise class**  
11 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020  
**Homedale City Council meeting**  
6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. (208) 337-4641  
**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)**  
5:30 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893  
**AA meeting**  
8 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

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# Marsing seeks to create impact footprint in county

The Marsing City Council took steps to control development Wednesday by establishing an impact zone in Owyhee County.

The council unanimously agreed to send a proposal to the boards of commissioners in Owyhee and Canyon counties requesting the creation of the impact area. City

Clerk Janice Bicandi said no hearing dates have been set with either board of commissioners.

The Owyhee County impact area would be bordered on the west by Edison Road, on the south by Pershall Road and on the north by Thompson Road. The Canyon County impact area would stretch south over the

Snake River to encompass property where Marsing now has municipal water storage and wells.

Impact areas allow cities a say in development in lands adjacent to city limits.

The council tabled an attempt to annex property south of town into the city limits.

City attorney Stephanie Bonney advised council members that they must first establish and impact area before moving to annex land.

The area pegged for annexation includes the Marsing labor camp and other developments along the Idaho highway 78 corridor using city services.

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# Weddings

## Murphy reception planned for newlywed Nowotnys



Kenyon and Lindsay Nowotny (she was Lindsay Ihli)

Lindsay Michelle Ihli and Kenyon Elray Nowotny were married March 21, 2008, at the top of Sandia Peaks in Albuquerque, N.M.

The bride is the daughter of Pat and Jan Ihli of Caldwell and Nick and Dolores Ihli of Murphy.

The groom is the son of Kenyon

Elmo and Ramona Nowotny of Moriarty, N.M.

A reception will be held from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., on Saturday, June 21, 2008, at the hall inside the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy.

The couple is registered at Target and Sportsman's Warehouse.

# Senior menus

### Homedale center

- June 18: Chili con carne, ham & cheese on bun, lettuce tomato, beverage.
- June 19: Mild Italian sausage spaghetti, tossed salad, roll, beverage.
- June 24: Barbecue chicken, baked potato, green beans, roll, beverage.
- June 25: Beef burritos, refried beans, rice, beverage.

### Marsing center

- June 18: Pork chops, potatoes, beets, salad, fruit, dessert, beverage.
- June 19: Roast turkey, dressing yams, potatoes/gravy, green beans, salad, soup, pumpkin dessert, beverage.
- June 23: Breakfast to order.
- June 24: Sweet & sour pork, rice, mixed vegetables, pea salad, dessert, beverage.
- June 25: Chicken, potatoes/gravy, green beans, carrot salad, dessert, beverage.

## Nettleton, Bahem marry in Sunnyslope

Lori Nettleton and Adam Bahem were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony officiated by Pastor Jim Huls.

The wedding was held in the courtyard of the Orchard House Restaurant located in the Sunnyslope area.

Immediate family witnessed the ceremony.

A reception and dinner was held afterward at the bride's home.

Lori is the daughter of Robert Nettleton of Melba and Jan and Joe Aman of Homedale.

Adam is the son of Alan and Ramona Bahem of Homedale.

Adam and Lori have started their new lives in Norfolk, Va., where he is currently stationed with the U.S. Navy.



Lori and Adam Bahem (she was Lori Nettleton)



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✓ **Museum:** Successful Jordan Valley native at center of weekend event

key figure in banking and philanthropy as president of U.S. Bancorp and chairman of the board and CEO of U.S. National Bank. Curator Joanne Cunningham said that, in a way, the historic Elorriaga home continues to house the memories of those people who have passed through Jordan Valley while fanning out in the region. “Just the fact of he integrated peoples that have been through, and all of them have touched it in some way and all of them have left a heritage here,” she said. “To me, that has been interesting to try

to get some information on not only all those people — nationalities — but their customs and what they contributed to the area.” The museum has been open Thursdays through Sundays since July, but this weekend marks the first opportunity that the Jordan Valley ION Heritage Museum board has had to include Elorriaga in the celebration. “Last year, we wanted to have a grand opening, and that just couldn’t happen,” Cunningham said, adding the Elorriaga was unable to attend. “So we just

opened it last year without a lot of fanfare.” Saturday’s fanfare will include several vendors as well as demonstrations of skills from the West, music, dancing and historical exhibitions. Cunningham also said an antique car show is possible. There will be craft and food vendors as well as a beer and wine garden. All elements of the festival will be on the march during the parade, she said, as well as a stagecoach owned by museum board president Mike Hanley.

The demonstrations will include blacksmithing from Andy Franco, the Snake River Fiber Artists spinning wool into yarn, local resident Glenn Fretwell making arrowheads and Dutch oven cooking. Entertainment will be provided by the Oinkari Basque Dancers of Boise and Homedale resident Gloria Lejardi-led Herribatza Dancers as well as the Idaho Highlanders Bagpipe Band and Dancers. There will be Basque food and a beer and wine garden. The Idaho Civil War Volunteers, a group that Cunningham

said includes Owyhee County Sheriff’s Backcountry Deputy George Reed, will erect a military camp circa 1863. The event is sponsored by The Cenarrusa Foundation, Idaho Independent Bank and Eiguren Public Law and Policy, and the event has been planned with the help of the Boise Basque Museum, the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy, the Txoko Ona Basque Center in Homedale, the Jordan Valley Basque Club and the Jordan Valley School District. — JPB

✓ **Garbage:** Homedale sets public hearing next month on rate increase

fuel prices ever recede. Westowns Disposal president Bill Pastoor visited the city council meetings in Homedale and Marsing on Wednesday to ask for a monthly increase of \$1 on those cities’ trash bills to offset the continued rise of diesel fuel. The Marsing City Council held a public hearing Wednesday to consider the rate increase as well as examine the possibility of mak-

ing garbage carts mandatory for all customers. The Marsing council unanimously approved Pastoor’s request for a \$1 fuel cost increase in customers’ monthly bills — from a base rate of \$8.50 now to \$9.50 when bills are issued in the first week of July. Council members also came close to approving the mandatory use of garbage totes for the town’s

customers. A monthly charge of \$2.50 would be added to bills once the totes are approved. The council tabled the actual decision to mandate the carts in order to figure out how exemptions for senior citizens with fixed incomes would be instituted. A decision is expected at the July 9 council meeting. On June 9, the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners agreed to

pay Westowns more to haul trash from the county’s Opaline and Homedale tipping stations to Pickles Butte landfill near Nampa. Sherburn said Westowns will get \$15 per ton for trips from the Homedale station and \$25 per ton from the Opaline station, which is located on Idaho highway 78 between Marsing and Givens. The county was paying \$16 per ton from Homedale and \$14.50

per ton from Opaline, Sherburn said. Sherburn said county residents won’t see an increase in the solid waste fee. Residential property owners are charged \$40 per parcel annually, and commercial property owners pay \$80 per year per parcel. Those rates were doubled two years ago, Sherburn said. — JPB

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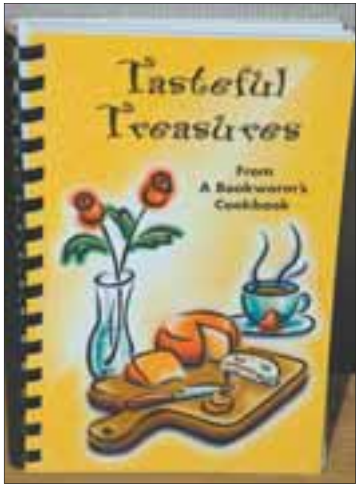
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‘Tasteful’ cookbook benefits library

Recipe collection went on sale Wednesday in Homedale

“Tasteful Treasures — From a Bookworm’s Cookbook” is on sale at the Homedale Public Library. Members of the library’s board of directors collected favorite recipes from library supporters, friends and family, and compiled them into a keepsake cookbook. The cookbooks went on sale last Wednesday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., or they can be ordered by mail at P.O. Box 1087, Homedale, ID 83628-1087. The cookbook sells for \$10 including sales tax, plus \$2.50 shipping, if requested. All proceeds will be used to enhance library activities. The cookbook contains 371 recipes. Most include the contributor’s name. Some contribu-



Proceeds from the sale of “Tasteful Treasures — From a Bookworm’s Cookbook” will benefit programs at Homedale Public Library. tors included the name of a favorite book or author. The cookbook committee included Bonnie Cade, Lillian Troxel, and Leora Zanks. The library is open 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Customers may phone during those hours at (208) 337-4228.

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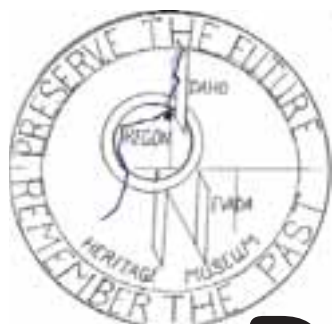
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# I.O.N. Heritage Museum

## Dedication Ceremony

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Museum, Vendors & Demonstrators open 9 a.m.

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The Oinkari Basque Dancers of Boise,  
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for more information, call the Museum at (541) 586-2100 or City Hall (541) 586-2460



# Two hurt in single-car accident outside Grand View

A 17-year-old girl and her mother were treated and released during the weekend after a singe-car rollover accident south of Grand View.

The Owhyee County Sheriff's Office received a report of the accident involving a 1998 Chevy Blazer at 7:29 p.m. on Friday.

Personnel from the sheriff's office, Grand View Ambulance and Bruneau

Quick Response Unit responded to the scene about three miles south of the Idaho highway 51/78 junction.

The driver, Victoria Hommel, 17, of Boise, was airlifted to the Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center. The passenger, Teresa Hommel, 49, also of Boise and mother to Victoria, was taken by Grand View Ambulance to Elmore County Medical Center. She was later transferred

to St. Al's as well. Both were treated and released.

Owhyee County Sheriff Gary Aman said that alcohol was not involved and that the accident was likely caused by the driver simply drifting onto the shoulder and overcorrecting.

Pair cited in Armory fight

Deputies responded to a report of two

teenage males fighting at the Homedale Armory, 2909 Fairgrounds Road at 11:42 p.m. Saturday.

Alcohol was involved in the incident, Aman said.

Both Edgar Arriaga of Homedale, 18, and a 17-year old juvenile were cited for Minor in Consumption and released. Neither party pressed charges.

— MML

# Block Party will return in '09

Dunk tank raises nearly \$400 for incoming seniors

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce's Block Party probably won't be a money maker, but officials aren't worried about the bottom line for this first year.

"It's not a fundraiser so much as it is a community event," Chamber vice-president and treasurer Brad Dines said.

Dines and Chamber secretary Robin Aberasturi gave a report on the outcome of the June 7 Block Party during the business organization's monthly luncheon Thursday at Owyhee Lanes Restaurant.

The membership present voted to tackle another Block Party

next year, but it was discussed that a Saturday with fewer things happening should be selected.

This year, the Block Party, which was held in City Park, competed for exposure with the Leroy Breshears Kids Fishing Day in Marsing and Outpost Days in Murphy.

"I thought it was great. It was awesome," Aberasturi said. "We had at least 100 people in the park all day at all times."

The crowds shuttled between the Block Party and the Funtime Carnival set up at the Almagamated Sugar Co.'s sugar beet dump across Industrial Road from the City Park tennis courts.

"There was a stream of people walking between the park and the carnival," Aberasturi said.

Monetary returns on the carnival weren't finalized in time

for the meeting, but Dines said the owner of the Payette-based carnival — Scott Roper — was pleased with the attendance.

"He said he had a great turnout and a great time, and he's hoping to do it next year," Dines said.

Dines reported that the Chamber spent more than \$2,500 promoting the Block Party, while the event made more than \$1,800. The beer booth alone brought in \$500, he said.

Aberasturi also reported that the Homedale High School Class of 2009 made nearly \$400 for its graduation party fund through the dunk tank in the park, which was sponsored by Santa Fe Subdivision and featured members of the Homedale Police Department as the victims.

— JPB



**Chamber pleased with Block Party**

*Homedale Chamber of Commerce vice-president and treasurer Brad Dines, left, presents Chamber secretary Robin Aberasturi with a \$100 gift card as a token of the organization's appreciation for her hard work on coordinating the Block Party.*



**Marsing Ambulance unveils new rig**

*Marsing Ambulance members, from left, Rich Dines, Betty Ackerman and Bob Malmberg stand next to the newest addition to the service's fleet at Marsing Island Park. The 2007 Ford valued at \$140,000 was purchased for \$107,000 with grants from the state and the Marsing Disaster Auction. The ambulance has been in service about a month, Ackerman said.*

# FSA offers farm storage loans to ag producers

The Farm Service Agency has begun publicizing a little-known program to help farmers build new storage facilities and remodel and upgrade existing storage buildings.

Farm Storage Facility Loans (FSFL) available through Farm Service Agency may aid in reaching your goals. Farm Service Agency offers low interest loans to farmers who have a shortage of storage capacity.

The qualifying amount of storage is the difference between existing storage and the amount that should be present. The calculation is based on the three-year acreage average for each grain commodity requiring storage multiplied by the crop yield established by the County Office Committee less the existing storage.

Examples of eligible facilities or upgrades are:

- New conventional-type cribs or bins
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- New flat-type storage structures.
- New equipment to improve, maintain or monitor the quality of stored facility loan commodities
- New electrical equipment
- New concrete foundations, aprons, pits and pads
- New structures that are bunker-type, horizontal or open silo structures, including silage pits
- New permanently affixed handling and drying equipment
- Safety equipment

The maximum loan limit is \$100,000, and the longest term available is seven years. The interest rate is fixed, and payments will be made in equal amortized installments.

The June 2008 interest rate is 3.375 percent, and a 15 percent down payment is required. That down payment must be in cash and may be the result of a loan.

A non-refundable application fee of \$45 is required.

To apply or inquire about the program, call the local U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency Office. The Owyhee County office in Marsing can be reached at (208) 896-4544. Call (541) 889-9689, ext. 2 for the Malheur office in Ontario, Ore.

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# Fun-seekers migrate to Marsing



**Chamber’s Blue Hawaii festival has fun for all ages**  
*Above:* Harlie Foster, an 11-year-old who will start the sixth grade at Marsing Middle School in the fall, jumps around Saturday morning inside the bounce house at the Marsing Chamber of Commerce’s Blue Hawaii Marsing Festival at City Park. Foster was in the contraption with her friend, 13-year-old Amanda Folwell. **Below, left:** Caldwell’s Keith Naasz wipes down his 1938 Dodge five-window coupe during the car show at Island Park. Organizers said they plan to have another show and shine next year after 30 entries signed up for the free event. **Below, right:** An animated Mikel Bell directs the Marsing High School jazz band through his original composition, “Who Needs a Haircut?,” Saturday on the City Park stage.



**Two portions of LeBow ride visits town**  
*Left:* A couple pedals their tandem bicycle back onto Main Street to resume the Bob LeBow Bike Tour. Participants in the 100- and 62-mile portions of the tour stopped at the Terry Reilly Health Services clinic in Marsing before going west back into Canyon County. *Above:* Two riders cross over the painted trail markers on Main Street signifying the two longest options on the LeBow ride.



# Avalanche Sports

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2008

## Derby drivers meet tonight in Homedale

The Homedale Lions hold a mandatory meeting tonight at the Owyhee Lanes Restaurant for all drivers who want to compete in this year's Fourth of July Demolition Derby.

The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. in the banquet room of the restaurant at 18 W. 1st St. N., in Homedale.

The meeting agenda includes going over the car-building rules for this year's derby as well as polling drivers on what changes or additions must be made to rules and procedures for the 2009 event.

Each driver also will be required to fill out an information sheet about their entries in this

year's derby as well as have a photograph taken for the event program.

For more information on entering a car or getting a car number for this year's derby, call Jeremy Townsend at 573-1350 or at Owyhee Auto Supply in Homedale, 337-4668.

Tickets are on sale for the

Fourth of July derby at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale.

Prices include \$16 for the A section (covered grandstand), \$12 for the B section (uncovered seats next to the main grandstand) and \$11 for the C section, which is on the far side of the rodeo arena next to the beer garden. Tickets

can be purchased at the NAPA auto parts stores in Homedale and Marsing.

The Lions Club announced Friday that there will be donation boxes at the derby for spectators to drop old eyeglasses to benefit the Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation's ongoing quest to supply eyeglasses to the needy.

## Former Rimrock coach still has moves

A former Rimrock High School assistant football coach has reached the postseason.

Anthony Pomerlee, a second-year running back, rushed for a pair of first-half touchdowns Saturday as the semipro Idaho Matadors thumped the Morgan Marauders, 46-12, in a Rocky Mountain Football League AA quarterfinal played at Nampa Christian High School in Canyon County.



Anthony Pomerlee

The Mountain Home High School graduate served as an assistant during Jim Clark's first year as head coach at Rimrock.

The RMFL is a two-tiered organization with teams in Idaho, Montana and Utah. The third-seeded Matadors (7-2) visit the No. 2 seed Boise Speed (6-2) this Saturday in a semifinal game.

Pomerlee opened the scoring with a 17-yard jaunt in the first quarter. He also found pay dirt on a 44-yard run in the second quarter.

Pomerlee, 22, was the Matador's leading rusher in 2008 and earned a trip to the July 12 league all-star game. He also was an all-star in his 2007 rookie season.

The 5-foot-8, 180-pounder rushed for 1,128 yards and 17 touchdowns on 172 carries during the 2008 spring season for the Matadors, who finished tied for the top spot in the AA Central Division at 6-2. The 17 TDs are two more than the 15 AA single-season record-holder Justin Nixon scored in 2006 for the Bitterroot Blaze.

## Adrian trainer earns an A



### Zimmerman shines in Sacramento

**Left:** Adrian horse trainer Matt Zimmerman carries the American flag while riding High Rock Ali during the Western States Mustang Challenge in Sacramento, Calif., earlier this month. **Bottom:** Zimmerman was tall in the saddle after he finished fifth in the finals competition June 7 at the Western States Horse Expo at Cal Expo. Photos by Bureau of Land Management

## Zimmerman finishes 5<sup>th</sup> in mustang challenge

Adrian horse trainer Matt Zimmerman finished fifth in the Western States Mustang Challenge in Sacramento, Calif.

Zimmerman took delivery of a mustang and proceeded to train the wild horse in preparation for the June 6-7 event.

Twenty-nine trainers qualified for the Sacramento finals, which were held during the Western States Horse Expo at Cal Expo in California's capital city.

The top 10 from the first day of competition advanced to the June 7 final round, and Zimmerman reported on his Internet blog chronicling the event that he made the final spot in the championship round by a mere two points.

Zimmerman nudged High Rock Ali to a fifth-place finish in the event staged to promote the Bureau of Land Management's wild horse and burro adoption program.

"Ali and I placed fifth, and I couldn't have been more pleased with her. She was extremely relaxed and comfortable and did pretty well.

The event was capped by the Mustang Challenge Freestyle Competition on the night of June 7 during which riders guided their animals over barrels, balls and jumps and also showcased bareback riding and cattle work.

Judges evaluated each horse and trainer on a number of factors simulating trail and recreational riding situations, according to a press release issued by the BLM California office.

According to his Internet blog on the experience, Zimmerman was the first competitor through the riding course during Saturday's finals.

In the auction after the event, High Rock Ali received a bid of \$3,000.

Corinne Elser of Burns, Ore., won the contest with a horse name Dolly. Elser bought Dolly back for \$5,500 during the auction.

Zimmerman and the other trainers from Idaho, Oregon, Nevada, California and Washington were given 90 days to gentle and train the animals for the competition.





# Sports

## Chukar hunt relies on recovery from winter

by Andy Ogden

Idaho's chukar partridge (*Alectoris chukar*) is native to a wide swath of southern Europe, Asia Minor, Northern India and China. Several chukar subspecies occupy these native ranges, each with its own set of distinctive behavioral traits. Interestingly enough, the subspecies that was transplanted into Idaho — including the Owyhee region — and other western states years ago never had to cope with extended periods of deep snow in its native homeland. In these areas, the birds had the option of simply descending to lower elevations to escape heavy snow. In northern India for example, it is still possible for chukars to move from the slopes of the Himalayas all the way down to tropical rain forests!

Unfortunately, Idaho's chukars don't have that luxury, and southern Idaho populations have experienced their share of large winter die-offs. During the 1992-93 winter, the Brownlee area experienced unusually heavy snow falls coupled with little wind to expose ridge lines. This weather pattern held for over a month, and chukars paid the price: crowded into riparian areas along streams and reservoirs, chukars died by the dozens. Many were so weak that they were unable to fly across reservoirs, and proved to be easy pickings for predators. Birds in this condition were one-half their normal weight, with breast muscle reduced so much in size

that their keel bones protruded noticeably.

Experience shows that chukar populations can recover entirely from a tough winter within two nesting seasons if conditions are good and reproduction is normal. For example, in the fall prior to the tough winter of '92-93, biologists counted 78 birds per square mile in the Brownlee area. A record low 18 birds per square mile was documented the next fall. Numbers rebounded to 88 birds per square mile (a number similar to the fall of 1992) after just two nesting season.

This past winter, snow depths were fairly extreme on chukar winter ranges, though probably not deep enough to mimic population crashes of the past when heavy snows were accompanied by cold temperatures that added additional physiological stress. This is fortunate because late fall 2007 chukar populations were already very low because of extremely poor summer reproduction. Some chukar populations (including Lucky Peak, Arrowrock and Garden Valley) likely declined even further this winter because of snow levels, while other populations where snow levels were less extreme (Brownlee, Hell's Canyon and Owyhee, for example) probably fared better.

For maximum winter survival, chukars require significant fall "green-up" of perennial bluegrasses coupled with germination of annual cheatgrass seed. These high-value food

sources allow chukars to actually gain weight during the winter so that nesting hens have significant fat reserves when spring nesting season rolls around. It is believed that the vitamin A found in this green vegetation is vital for triggering the reproductive instincts of game birds, including chukars. For example, in the very dry deserts of California and Nevada, upland birds won't even attempt to nest without sufficient green-up of desert vegetation stimulated by adequate winter rainfall.

In falls without significant green-up, chukars survive on the seed heads of grasses and the seeds of perennial forbs like stonecrop and those of annual weeds like thistle. These food sources can maintain chukars through the winter, but to gain body fat they really need the added nutrients found in green grass. Fortunately, Idaho experienced good fall green-up in 2007, so chukars should be in good shape for the 2008 nesting season.

That brings us to the subject of the spring nesting season. Ideal chukar production weather plays out something like this: a wet spring with lots of rain (but no snow) for maximum growth of leafy green vegetation needed by adult birds and the production of lots of bugs that chicks require early in life. This would be followed by dry weather in early June when the chicks are hatching to increase their survival during the critical first few days



### Spring is crucial for chukar

State wildlife biologist Andy Ogden says the 2008 nesting season will be critical for the recovery of Southern Idaho's chukar populations. Photo by Idaho Department of Fish and Game

of life. It might surprise you how rarely this relatively simple scenario occurs.

It is too early to know how spring production will fare and thus difficult to predict the fall chukar hunting picture given that last fall's population levels were the result of reproductive failures, not winter weather. Because chukars are short-lived birds (a 3-year-old bird is both old and very rare), it is critical that a good nesting effort occurs in 2008. A high proportion of Idaho's chukars are already 2 years old or older. If we experience a poor

nesting effort this spring, most of these adult birds won't see another nesting season; if that happens, it may take four or more years to recover southern Idaho chukar populations.

Even with above-normal nest success this spring, it will probably still take two nesting seasons to get out of the hole we're in right now. So pin your fall chukar hunting hopes on a wet (but not too wet) spring.

Andy Ogden is a wildlife habitat biologist for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's Southwest Region office in Nampa.

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# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



## On the edge of common sense

### Flapjacks at play

A big part of the cowboy culture is the music that celebrates the West; the trail drives, the danger and the romance of the life.

“... all day I face the barren waste without the taste of water ...”  
“... tryin’ to catch the devil’s herd but they ain’t caught ’em yet ...”  
“... for hours he would ride on the range far and wide ...”  
“... where seldom is heard a discouraging word ...”  
“... we’re up in the morning at breaking of day, the chuckwagon’s ready, the flapjacks at play ...”

What? Flapjacks at play? Are there signs posted on the perimeter of the chuckwagon warning: CAUTION ... FLAPJACKS AT PLAY!

I have been known to write some goofy lines, but that one stops me in my tracks. Did the songwriter run out of time? Did nothing else wonderfully western come to mind? Like ... “We’re all on our way...” “I’m ridin’ ol’ bay...” “ ’bout time, hip hooray!”

Or if the writer insisted on sticking to the chuckwagon/breakfast/dining theme: “... we’re up in the morning at breaking of day, the chuckwagon’s ready, the cook’s a gourmet ...”  
“... French toast’s the entrée ...”  
“... The wine’s Bourdelais ...”  
“... there’s no sommelier ...”  
“... just ask for José ...”

Maybe the songwriter was masking an underlying story, a subliminal message revealing a conflict between the foods. Suggesting perhaps, that the flapjacks were leaving all the hard work to the bacon and eggs. Why not say, “...the oatmeal’s at play?” The grits? The orange juice? It just doesn’t sound right. And gravy. The gravy’s at play? Of course not! The gravy’s at sea. It has its own boat!

Although “cornflakes” does have a nice ring. You can almost see them lining up along the rim tossing a raisin back and forth. But not flapjacks. It’s hard to imagine them doing anything fun. Flapjacks are couch potatoes. They lie flat as a hound dog’s ear on a wood floor.

Flapjacks are not into sports. You’ll never hear a broadcaster say, “The croissants have taken the field and the flapjacks are at play.”

I must conclude that the songwriter deliberately wrote the nonsensical line to confuse folklorists and musicologists ... and the occasional cowboy poet and former large animal veterinarian.

“... the poet’s gone crazy and sure lost his way, he should stick to vet work, my dog needs a spay ...”

Wayne Cornell

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

### 45 years too long for a grudge

Our high school graduating class had a reunion planning meeting recently. A reunion this summer will celebrate the 45th year since we graduated. We didn’t have a 40th reunion, and there is quite a bit of debate over whether we had a 35th, or even a 30th. Memory is usually the second thing to go.

The idea of a get-together evolved after Dennis, who is superintendent in a nearby Oregon school district, and his wife Pat, a member of the class behind ours, set up an Internet Web site for the Class of ‘63. Over a period of about six months, about two-thirds of the class has checked in. Out of 50 graduates, there are only about 10 who don’t seem to have e-mail. Of those, we have mailing addresses for about half. Three haven’t been found, and it is our understanding that there are two members who, because they think someone said something bad about them almost half a century ago, don’t want any contact with the rest of us.

The ad hoc reunion committee met at a local café. George and Linda drove down from Rupert. They dated all the way through high school, then got married and are still married. Darlene also was there. She’s a retired R.N. who recently moved back to the valley from Seattle. Pat was there (Dennis had a school meeting).

The biggest surprise was the appearance of Richard and his wife. Richard is a retired insurance claims adjuster. Although he has lived here ever since graduation, I hadn’t seen him since May 1963. I shook Richard’s hand and said I could still remember when Mrs. Rea, our second-grade teacher, saw him cheating on a spelling test. For years I believed Mrs. Rea punished Richard by breaking a maple, rubber-tipped pointer over his head. But about 20 years ago I spent a very pleasant afternoon reminiscing with Mrs. Rea, and she assured me she broke the pointer on the desk,

not on Richard. Richard said my memory is much better than his but believes however Mrs. Rea punished him, he probably deserved it.

Mary came to the meeting. She still is married to Ron, who was a couple of years ahead of us in school. Mary has worked for the state tax commission pretty much forever and sees no reason to retire. She indicated Ron is doing fine although it sounds like he has had just about every organ repaired or replaced.

Joyce, who along with Mary and yours truly was a member of the last reunion committee, is still working. She gave me a rundown on a trip she took to China last year — an adventure we plan to undertake this fall.

With the exception of setting the Labor Day weekend for the reunion, the evening was mostly spent comparing notes on what has happened to us over the past two decades. We’re all past the point where we’re trying to impress anyone with our accomplishments. By the time you reach your 45th reunion you are pretty much just tickled you have minds and bodies that still are functioning reasonably well.

The early response indicates we’ll have a good turnout for this year’s reunion. Of course there are the two who are apparently ticked off about real or imagined insults. Carrying a grudge for some immature act that occurred almost a half century ago seems to be a little over-reactive to me. At least nobody de-pants them on a bus ride back from a McCall basketball game. It only took about 20 years for me to forgive Kenny, Mickey, Larry and John — all members of the Class of ’62 — for that.

— Go to [www.theowyheeavalanche.com](http://www.theowyheeavalanche.com) to link to some of Wayne’s previous columns on his Internet blog. You’ll find the link in the bottom right-hand corner of the home page.



Sen. Larry Craig

## From Washington Fight greenhouse gases, even if Congress won’t



If you remember Al Gore’s Oscar-winning movie and his visit to Boise, you might be shocked to learn how the Democrat-led Congress actually handled an issue some say is the most important crisis of our time. You may not even have known this debate was going on, considering how disorganized, brief and superficial the debate was.

Let me say at the outset that I have spent an enormous amount of time on the issue of reducing our greenhouse gases without increasing energy prices at the pump or on your electricity bill. Last year, I offered 46 amendments to Sen. Barbara Boxer’s (D-Calif.) climate change bill when it was reviewed by the Committee on Environment and Public Works. These were serious amendments addressing various aspects of this lengthy, complicated bill, yet all but one of my amendments — calling for a study — were rejected. Chairman Boxer claimed at the time that amendments to manage our forests, promote nuclear energy, or protect consumers from high energy prices should be saved for the Senate floor debate.

Now we know why: After a couple of days for political posturing to the environmental community, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) used his leadership privileges to block amendments and limit debate, and then pulled the bill from further consideration.

To put this in context, consider that back in 1990, the

Senate spent five weeks on the Clean Air legislation and dealt with 180 amendments. Today’s global warming bill dramatically exceeded the Clean Air Act in scope and impact, yet efforts to explore the consequences of this far-reaching legislation were cut off after only a few hours of discussion, and without allowing any debate or votes on amendments to the bill.

The exercise that the Senate went through with this legislation has become commonplace for this increasingly dysfunctional Congress. Debates begin with the press releases already written; legislating has become an afterthought. This is particularly disappointing for those of us who have spent time learning the issues and working on constructive policies, in the belief that Congress has a responsibility to offer solutions for the problems that plague our country.

For those of us who do support finding meaningful and responsible ways to reduce greenhouse gases, I regret the Senate’s performance. I would also encourage you to watch my forestry and gas price speeches on the issue and to read the amendments I tried to offer at my Web site.

There are also actions to reduce greenhouse gases that you and your family can take. For instance, you can reduce

— See *Greenhouse gases*, next page



# Commentary

## Accuracy In Media

### Losing in Afghanistan, NATO looks to extend forces

by Cliff Kincaid

Forget about Iraq for a minute. We are losing the war in Afghanistan.

The big news out of a recent NATO summit was that some European nations balked at accepting new members that would offend Russia.

But the bigger story is that NATO’s war against the terrorists in Afghanistan is failing and it has no plan to win. Afghanistan could once again come under the control of those who sponsored 9/11.

Afghanistan, of course, is where the 9/11 terrorists had their base of operations. The U.S. attacked Osama bin Laden and his Taliban backers, eliminating or driving them into hiding, but depended on NATO to finish the job. NATO has failed.

The NATO summit statement says that the “UN mandated International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) mission” in Afghanistan, which is the NATO force and currently comprises 40 nations, is a “top priority” and that the alliance and its Afghan partners will not allow “extremists and terrorists to regain control of Afghanistan or use it as a base for terror that threatens all of our people.”

This “top priority” has now been translated to mean that France will send an additional 700 to 1,000 troops to Afghanistan, and that other nations may provide “smaller numbers.” Whatever that means, it’s not much. It’s certainly not enough to win.

An inquisitive journalist named Andrew Gray of Reuters reports that it’s not exactly clear how many NATO troops are actually in Afghanistan, and that the organization sometimes “revises” the numbers dramatically. The NATO Web site doesn’t say exactly how many are supposed to be there, and which nations are contributing what numbers. In any case, Gray notes that U.S. Army Gen. McNeill, the ISAF commander, has suggested that “a force of well over 400,000 Afghan and foreign troops” is needed to fight the terrorists there.

McNeil used that figure in an interview with a German magazine and explained that “The Afghans say that they have 22,000 on the rolls of their army and 42,000 police.

NATO has about 39,000 troops here, so that totals a good 100,000.” During a February briefing at the Pentagon, the ISAF force was put at “over 40,000.” It has been as high as 47,000. About 17,000 of those are American troops. Another 14,000 U.S. forces in Afghanistan operate independently of NATO.

At that briefing, McNeil repeated the theoretical need for 400,000 troops, saying, “If you use U.S. counterinsurgency doctrine, for example, and applying the factors of land mass and population, you’d come to the conclusion you need a huge force, well over 400,000, when you rolled up international force with the indigenous force.” He went on to say, “Now, having said that, the members of the alliance are going to produce only so much. I accept that.”

But should we accept it?

This debacle appears to validate a Democratic point that the U.S. lost sight of the original terrorist problem in Afghanistan when it went to war in Iraq. But the Democratic presidential nominee Barack Obama and Republican John McCain make the situation worse by saying that they will somehow get NATO to send more troops to Afghanistan. They are claiming that they will succeed where President Bush has failed.

One problem is that there are 15,000 NATO troops making sure that the new Muslim state of Kosovo has international protection when they should be fighting Muslim extremists in Afghanistan. Recognition of Kosovo is a policy embraced by Bush, Obama and McCain.

NATO leaders declared at the summit that “We reiterate that KFOR [the NATO Kosovo Force] will remain in Kosovo on the basis of United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1244 to ensure a safe and secure environment, including freedom of movement, for all people in Kosovo unless the Security Council decides otherwise.”

But UNSCR 1244 recognized Serbian sovereignty over Kosovo. So when various NATO nations, including the U.S., recognized Kosovo statehood, that move was a violation of UNSCR 1244. It’s too bad that journalists covering the summit didn’t point out that fact.

The NATO summit declaration goes on to say that “NATO reaffirms its faith in the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations” and that “The primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security rests with the United Nations Security Council.” This wording reflects the fact that NATO is a regional organization under the U.N. Charter. U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon himself participated in the NATO Bucharest summit.

Hence, a failing NATO is putting its trust in a corrupt and discredited U.N. This “New World Order” is quickly becoming a tragic comedy of errors that risks a major defeat in the war on terror.

The NATO debacles in Afghanistan and Kosovo demonstrate the great danger of relying on global alliances to accomplish U.S. military objectives. But to make matters even worse, NATO invited Albania at the Bucharest summit to join the organization, even though Albania is the main source of the Kosovo problem. Albanian Muslims took over Kosovo through infiltration and immigration.

As if the debacles in Kosovo and Afghanistan aren’t enough, NATO is also threatening to get more involved militarily in Darfur. It says, “We remain deeply concerned by the continued violence and atrocities in Darfur and call on all parties to cease hostilities. NATO remains ready, following consultation with and the agreement of the United Nations and the African Union (AU), to support their peacekeeping efforts in the region. At the request of the African Union, NATO has agreed to provide support to the AU Mission in Somalia and we are prepared to consider further requests for support to this mission.”

NATO can’t win in Afghanistan but wants to get more involved in other areas of the world. Does this make any sense? It’s almost as if the organization is committed to so overextending itself that it will inevitably fail.

It’s time for our media to follow Andrew Gray’s lead and tell the complete truth about a dysfunctional organization that can’t or won’t come to grips with its own failures.

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

### ✓ Greenhouse gases: Web site offers ideas on cutting gasoline usage

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the amount of fuel you use — helping both your wallet and the environment. I’ve found many helpful fuel-saving ideas at [www.drivesmarterchallenge.org](http://www.drivesmarterchallenge.org), a Web site maintained by the non-partisan Alliance to Save Energy on whose board I sit. If all U.S. drivers followed just one of these suggestions to reduce our driving by 5 percent, we could save more than \$24 billion worth of gasoline, sending fewer dollars to foreign cartels, keeping more money in your pocketbook, and — oh, yes: putting fewer greenhouse gases into our environment ... for those of us who care.

— *Republican Larry Craig is the senior U.S. senator from Idaho. The senator’s floor speeches and amendments to the greenhouse gas bill can be found at [www.craig.senate.gov/climate](http://www.craig.senate.gov/climate).*

## Letters to the editor policy

The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes letters to the editor.

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

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

The deadline for submitting letters to the editor is noon on Friday. For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

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# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

June 22, 1983

### Teachers honored at dinner

Two teachers at the Homedale Elementary School received awards at the second annual Appreciation Dinner sponsored by the Homedale Parent-Teachers Association at the Washington Grade School. Mike Seligman, sixth grade teacher for the past six years, was presented with the “Best Teacher” award as voted by the students for being the most helpful and influential. He was presented a trophy by Ned Stokes, chairman of the event.

The “Red Apple” award went to Lois Paxton, third grade teacher for the past seven years. This special award was selected by votes from the parents for a teacher who has demonstrated extra concern and effort in working with students and communicating with parents.

### Local units participate in ‘accident’

A simulated two-car collision was staged last Tuesday evening near the Stateline Grange hall south of Homedale, according to Joe Masar, local site coordinator.

Masar said the exercise, which involved about 36 persons and several area emergency units and personnel, was a practice designated to “tie together local units in the event of a large catastrophe.”

Participating in the exercise were the Homedale Volunteer Ambulance crew, Homedale Fire Department, Wilder Quick Response Unit (QRU), Marsing Ambulance crew, Marsing Fire Department, Army Medivac helicopter and the state helicopter.

The “disaster” involved six victims, “some injured critically and some not so critical,” Masar said.

### Mahlers retire from Simplot’s

Joe and Mary Mahler of Homedale retired May 6 from the J.R. Simplot Co. Food Division in Caldwell, with 60 years service concurrently. Joe began his 33 years ago scraping onion trays and later moved to various positions including working on the glue machine. For about the last 15 years he has been a plumber in the maintenance department. Mary held her first job in the trim room 27 years ago then later was one of the first women to be classified in the heavy duty dept. She worked as a line operator and machine operator for several years but for the past nine years, she has been a granule line operator.

Joe and Mary said that they enjoyed working at the Simplot Co. and since it is a highly stable and growing company, it enabled them to put their five children through high school and three of them through college. Their long-term careers also provided paid vacations and means to travel, for instance in January, they went to Hawaii to see their son Ron and his wife Nancy. Ron is on the staff of Christian Organization Navigators.

### FFA, 4-Hers to meet at Yarbrough ranch

4-H and FFA members from throughout Idaho will be gathering at Walter Yarbrough’s Question Mark Ranch near Grand View on June 25<sup>th</sup> for the Idaho State Junior Angus Field Day. Events scheduled for the day include livestock judging contests, the state junior Angus associations’ heifer show, Idaho junior Angus queen contest and the state junior Angus showmanship contest.

### Win FFA judging

Idaho State Future Farmers of America contests were held at the University of Idaho June 8, 9, 10.

Wilder FFA Chapter members Dennis Lincoln, Colleen Stevens, Robyn Simansky, Renee Henley, and Steve Julian traveled to Moscow to compete in the annual judging contests. Advisor Harry Hoch, reports he was “well pleased” with their performance in competition with 58 other school FFA Chapters.

Dennis, Colleen, and Robyn placed 11<sup>th</sup> in dairy cattle judging and 11<sup>th</sup> in dairy products quality judging.

Colleen, Renee, and Steve placed 15<sup>th</sup> in crops quality and identification.

## 50 years ago

June 19, 1958

### Summer youth recreation program gets underway

A summer recreation program got underway Monday afternoon when about 20 boys met at the grade school to organize for summer activities.

All boys, grades one through eight, are encouraged to participate in the program which will be conducted each day Monday through Friday at 3pm, at the high school.

Softball will be played by boys, ages six though eight. Baseball is open for the older boys. Leagues will be formed if a sufficient number of boys sign up.

Those having their own mitts are asked to bring them. A bus may be obtained from the school board to take children to swimming classes at Caldwell in the summer.

The boys and girls committee of the Kiwanis club, headed by Dick Frazier, is spearheading a drive to sponsor the summer program. Kiwanis, the chamber of commerce and the city have contributed funds. Donations from other organizations will be greatly appreciated.

Deward Bell, high school coach is acting as director and Glen Stewart, a member of the Kiwanis boys and girls committee, is helping to supervise the program.

### ‘Airport in a Day’ is goal; everyone urged to help

The Homedale airport commenced to take on the look of a landing field this week as a crew of men from the state department of aeronautics brought in a chain beater Wednesday and beat the sagebrush and greasewood off the uncleared portion, preparatory to burning the debris.

### New marina shop to open soon at local boat dock

Jimron’s Marina is the name given to the new business to be opened soon by James Click and Ronald Finn at the boat dock in Homedale.

Their new building is now virtually completed, and their opening will be announced soon on July 4 or the week end preceding, depending on their obtaining boats, motors and fishing supplies.

The new business will be sales representatives for Lone Star boats and Johnson motors and will carry a full line of boating accessories and fishing tackle.

A small dock has been built at the boat landing, and the partners plan to construct a larger dock where boats can be anchored overnight.

A lease has been granted the men by the city of Homedale to operate the boating business. The boat ramp will still be open to public use free of charge.

Ronald Finn urges the public to watch for their opening announcement and plan to attend their opening when a good line of boats and motors will be on display.

Both Mr. Finn and Mr. Click are well known locally. Mr. Finn is a graduate of Homedale high school and taught school here before becoming a teacher at Wilder. Mr. Click is superintendent of schools at Wilder.

### Co. officials reveal plans to file for re-election

Democratic county officials will all file for re-election except Hubert Nettleton, county commissioner of the 1<sup>st</sup> district, it was revealed at a Democratic central committee meeting Monday night at Murphy.

Present officers who have filed or indicated they will file before the deadline Saturday, June 28, are Nick Ihli, county clerk; C.J. (Jim) Tucker, sheriff; Jack Dunning, assessor; Sadie S. Eisenhart, treasurer; and Wayne A. Grammer, probate judge.

Democrats seeking office for the first time are Kenneth Downing, Homedale, county commissioner, 2<sup>nd</sup> district; Ivan Nanney, Jr., Opaline, county commissioner, 1<sup>st</sup> district; and Alvin Benson, Wilson, state representative.

Everett Colley, candidate for state senate two years ago, announced he will not file for the office this year.

Willard Harder, Grand View, county chairman, presided. Wayne Grammer, Murphy, who resigned as committee secretary-treasurer was replaced by Joe Nettleton, Reynolds Creek, as temporary secretary-treasurer.

## 140 years ago

June 13, 1868

DEAD. James Buchanan [15<sup>th</sup> U.S. President] died at his residence at Wheatland, Penn., June 1<sup>st</sup>, aged 71 years. He received a classical education and studied law. At the early age of 23 he was elected to the Pennsylvania Legislature as a Federalist — thus commenced his political career, which now properly comes within the province of history.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY. We, the Grand Jury of Owyhee County, Territory of Idaho, for the June term of the District Court, 1868, be leave to report that we have examined all matter brought before us, or of which we could get sufficient facts to justify investigation. We find two the bills of indictment, viz: one for assault with intent to commit murder; one against John Williams and John Henry Hepworth for grand larceny.

As a commission authorized by the Board of County Commissioners have just completed a thorough examination of the books, papers and condition of the various county offices and property, we have not deemed it our duty to do more than report their present condition.

The books of the various County officers are kept in a correct business like manner, and so far as we are able to judge the business of the several offices is very ably conducted with the exception of the Road Commissioners that they adopt such measures as shall compel Road Commissioners to keep a correct account, in books provided for that purpose of all moneys received and expended, when and of whom received and how expended by them. We would further recommend that some regulation be made by the Board whereby the road tax may be applied to the improvements of the roads of the County in a more economical manner hereafter, and that Road Commissioners be made responsible for all tools or other County property in their hands at the expiration of their term of office, or at such time as the County Commissioner may demand them.

All of which is respectfully submitted. J. S. Butler, Foreman.

BULLION THIEVES CAUGHT. It will be remembered that on the night of May 20<sup>th</sup> a large amount of crude bullion was stolen from a retort in the Upper Sinkler mill. From circumstantial evidence two Chinamen were arrested, but it soon became evident that they were not the guilty parties. Strong suspicion fell upon two men named John Williams and John Henry Hepworth, who were employed in the mill. The Chinamen were kept in custody in order that Williams and Hepworth might not think themselves watched. Mr. Johnson, superintendent of the mill, matured plan which resulted in the capture of the thieves. A friend of his, Giles Kinney, of Flint, was sent for, he being a good detective and possessing great powers of endurance. It had been observed that Williams visited a neighboring hill quite often. Kinney stationed himself to a tall fir tree, where he remained all day unobserved by Williams, who came under the tree, looked round and departed, as was afterwards learned to look out a place to conceal the bullion. At night, Johnson and Kinney, with Henry rifles, posted themselves in the rocks near by and about two o’clock in the morning discovered an object cautiously coming down the mountain side. It proved to be Williams, who noiselessly came down to the creek. Johnson called out to him to stop; instead of which he commenced to run, Johnson and Kinney then both fired, brining him down. A bullet had passed through the right knee. At first Williams denied knowing anything about the bullion but afterwards told where it could be found. When it was first taken it was hidden in the rocks, about three hundred yards from the mill. Williams had taken a portion away about half a mile and was returning for the remainder when he was discovered. Hepworth was arrested on suspicion of being an accomplice and wad indicted by the Grand Jury on circumstantial evidence. Williams denies stealing the bullion, but says he found it intending to take it over to town and get the reward of \$1000 offered for its recovery.



# Public notices

**OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES JUNE 2, 2008 OUYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO**

Present were Commissioner’s Hoagland, Tolmie, and Freund, Clerk Sherburn, Assessor Endicott, Treasurer Richards, Prosecuting Attorney Faulks, P&Z Coordinator Mary Huff, Fred Grant and Jim Desmond.

Approved payment of all bills out of the following funds:

Current Expense \$29,325, Road & Bridge \$28,757, District Court \$5,122, Probation \$879, Health District \$4,187, Historical Museum \$333, Indigent & Charity \$ 1,306, Pest \$113, Revaluation \$530, Solid Waste \$2,649, Weed \$366.

The Board nominated Daniel Stapelman to serve as the Member at Large on the GemPlan Board of Trustees.

The Board approved amendments to the Owyhee County Planning & Zoning Ordinance. An ordinance will be presented next week.

Indigent & Charity 08-05 the hearing was continued until June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00.

Alcohol Beverage licenses was approved for Rebecca’s Market & Restaurant, and Del Rio Restaurant.

A letter to the Bureau of Land Management was sent regarding contacts in the County.

A briefing was conducted by Tetra Tech regarding the Gateway West Proposal by Idaho Power.

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

/s/Jerry Hoagland, Chairman  
Attest:/s/Charlotte Sherburn  
6/18/08

**BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**

On July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008 beginning at 9:00 AM the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear testimony at the Annex Building of the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho on the following matters at the times listed below. After the hearings, the Commission will take up administrative matters as time permits.

9:00AM The Commission will hear 00-10 Lone Hawk Estates, LLC., Final plat or their proposed subdivision. On July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2000 the Planning and Zoning Commission granted conditional use permit 00-10 to subdivide 64 acres into 5 parcels filed by Mike and Dorothy Gudel, and Gene and Mary Hazen with special conditions. The applicants appealed the special conditions; however The Board of Commissioners affirmed the decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission on May 1, 2001. Subject property is approximately 78.91 acres located at the end of Lootens Lane, south of Homedale, Idaho, in Section 23, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County Idaho.

10:00AM The Commission will hear file 06-17 River Shore Estates – Kastera Homes final plat approval for a previously approved subdivision River Shore Estates. Kastera Homes filed an application for a conditional use permit to subdivide a 106 acre parcel into 28 residential lots, three (3) to (5) acres in size, plus two (2) common lots. Subject property is in an Agricultural Zone, northwest of Homedale, off River Road and North side

Road in Section 19, Township 4 North, 5 West, and Section 20, Township 4 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

1:00PM The Commission will hear file 08-14 Idaho Power-Hemmingway Transmission Station. This permit would allow the construction, maintenance and operation of an electrical transmission station to access new energy resources to meet the growing electrical demands of the area. Subject property is in an Agricultural zone, in Section 11, Township 1 South, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

For additional information on any of the above matters, please contact the Planning and Zoning office at 495-2095.

6/18/08

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The City Council of the City of Homedale will hold a public hearing on Thursday, July 10, 2008 at 6:00 pm at Homedale City Hall, 31 W Wyoming Ave., Homedale, Idaho. The purpose of this hearing is to hear public comment regarding the proposed \$1.00 increase in trash services to cover fuel costs. Individuals desiring to comment on the proposed fee increase may appear and be heard at the appointed time. Written comments will also be accepted at Homedale City Hall until 5:00 pm on July 10, 2008.

6/18,25/08

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

To former clients of Martha Beck, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and Licensed Professional Counselor. 207 Silver Sage Way, Homedale (formerly 111 S. Main St.). After a long illness, Ms. Beck is closing her Homedale practice. Client records will be retained by her. Clients who wish to have a copy of their record should leave a message at (208) 337-5445 before 6/21/08 or contact Ms. Beck at PO Box 563, Homedale, ID 83628. There will be a charge for photocopying, postage, if applicable, and labor.

6/18/08

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**PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT**

Rubber Band Holdings LLC of 910 N. Curtis Rd, Boise, ID 83706 filed Application No. 73934 to transfer two water rights with 1952 and 1971 priority dates from the Snake River totaling 7.44 cfs. The purpose of the transfer is to create a permissible place of use on the applicant’s property limited to 372 acres in a 477 acre area. Water will be used at the current place of use generally located between Wild Horse and Castle Buttes about 5 miles northeast of Oreana in the Henderson Flats area.

For specific details regarding the application, please contact the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) Western Region at 208-334-2190 or visit www.idwr.idaho.gov with detail provided under “new water right applications.” Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-222, Idaho Code. Any protest against the proposed change must be filed with the Director, IDWR Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705-5082 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before July 7, 2008. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR.,  
Director  
6/18,25/08

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 20, 2008, at the hour of 11:15 a.m. of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Murphy, Owyhee County, Idaho, said Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

In Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Section 21: N1/2 N1/2 NE1/4 NE1/4

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above described real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of 7303 TRAPSHOOT ROAD, MARSING, IDAHO, may sometimes be associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made, without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by and among EILEEN A. BEZY AND PAUL V. BEZY, wife and husband, as Grantor, and ALLIANCE TITLE AND ESCROW, as Trustee, and HOPKINS WESTERN FUND, LLC, an Idaho Limited Liability Company, “as trustee for the benefit on a parity for all Series “W” Debenture Holders,” as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been filed of record on December 19, 2005, as Instrument No. 254520, Official Records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The naming of the above Grantor(s) is done to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made as to the

responsibility of Grantor(s) for this obligation.

The default for which the sale is to be made is that no monthly installment payments under a Deed of Trust Note dated December 19, 2005, in the amount of \$1,066.43 per month for January, 2008 and each month thereafter have been made, together with accruing late charges, plus any other charges lawfully due under the note, deed of trust, and Idaho law.

The balance owing as of the date hereof on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is the amount of \$100,539.63, with interest accruing on the principal balance of \$97,461.12 at the rate of eleven and one half percent (11.5%) per annum from March 21, 2008, plus default interest pursuant to the Note at the rate of five percent (5%) per annum from March 21, 2008, until the default is cured, plus service charges, late charges, and any other costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust or Deed of Trust Note, or by Idaho law.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008.

MARK D. PERISON, P.A.  
By: /s/Mark D. Perison, of the Firm Attorneys for Trustee  
PO Box 6575, Boise, ID 83707-6575 (208) 331-1200  
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The default for which the sale

is to be made is that no monthly installment payments under a Deed of Trust Note dated August 17, 2006, in the amount of \$160.99 per month for February, 2008 and each month thereafter have been made, together with accruing late charges, plus any other charges lawfully due under the note, deed of trust, and Idaho law.

The balance owing as of the date hereof on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is the amount of \$14,180.95, with interest accruing on the principal balance of \$13,792.05 at the rate of twelve and one half percent (12.5%) per annum from March 21, 2008, plus default interest pursuant to the Note at the rate of five percent (5%) per annum from March 21, 2008, until the default is cured, plus service charges, late charges, and any other costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust or Deed of Trust Note, or by Idaho law.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008.

MARK D. PERISON, P.A.  
By: /s/Mark D. Perison, of the Firm Attorneys for Trustee  
PO Box 6575, Boise, ID 83707-6575 (208) 331-1200  
5/28;6/4,11,18/08

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**

Notice of Trustee’s Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: May 20, 2008 File No.: 7479.20262 Sale date and time (local time): September 19, 2008 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 301 W California Ave 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: Richard L. Cox, unmarried Original trustee: U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association Original beneficiary: U.S. Bank National Association ND Recording date: January 26, 2007 Recorder’s instrument number: 259591 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of May 20, 2008: \$58,692.26 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is: Lot 1 and the East 13 feet of Lot 2 of Block 30 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed August 9, 1911 as No. 7284 on file in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7479.20262) 1002.91312-FEI

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# Public notices

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE T.S. No. 200800482-30530 Loan No. 1190015347 On 09/09/2008 at 11:00 am (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho: In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse located on the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, known as 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, Pioneer Lenders Trustee Services, LLC, as Trustee will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: A parcel of land within the Northwest Quarter Southwest Quarter and a portion of Government Lot 6 of Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the found 5/8 inch rebar with no cap at the center West 1/16 corner (Northwest corner of said Government Lot 6) of said Section 34, from which a found Brass Cap at the West Quarter corner of said Section 34 bears North 89°18'38"30" West a distance of 1319.11 feet; thence South 0°18'14"08" East a distance of 25.00 feet along the West line of said Government Lot 6; thence South 89°18'38"30" East a distance of 81.71 feet (formerly South 89°18'41"00" East a distance of 81.68 feet as shown on the Personal Representatives Deed from J. Carmen Carillo to Salvador Aliare and Hermino Sandoval, recorded as Instrument No. 222434 in the Owyhee County Recorders Office at Murphy, Idaho) along a line parallel with the North line of said Government Lot 6 to a point; thence South 19°18'19"06" East a distance of 348.81 feet (formerly South 19°18'19"23" East a distance of 349.00 feet as shown on said (Personal Representatives Deed) to a found 1/2 inch rebar with plastic cap “LS3627” shown on set on Record of Survey Instrument No. 219463 recorded in said Owyhee County Recorders Office, and the True Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 19°18'19"06" East (formerly South 19°18'18'19"23" East as shown on said (Personal Representatives Deed) a distance of 107.83 feet to a set 5/8 inch rebar with plastic cap “PLS7612” hereinafter referred to as Point “B”; thence continuing South 19°18'19"06" East (formerly South 19°18'19"23" East as shown on said (Personal Representatives Deed) a distance of 128.59 feet to a found 1/2 inch iron pipe shown as found on said Record of Survey Instrument No. 219463; thence South 09°18'00"40" East a distance of 174.60 feet (formerly South 09°18'00"59" East a distance of 174.60 feet as shown on said (Personal Representative Deed) to a set 5/8 inch rebar with plastic cap “PLS7612”; thence South 57°18'04"35" West a distance of 172.03 feet (formerly South 57°18'04"40' West a distance of 172.42 feet as shown on said (Personal Representatives Deed) to a set 5/8 inch rebar with plastic cap “PLS7612” at a point of intersection with Northeastly right-of-way of the Bruneau Highway North; thence North 32°18'55"25" West a distance of 585.28 feet (formerly North

32°18'55"20" West a distance of 585.15 feet as shown on said (Personal Representative Deed) along the Northeastly right-of-way of the Bruneau Highway North to a set 5/8 inch rebar with plastic cap (PLS7612); thence South 89°18'38"30" East a distance of 356.96 feet (formerly South 89°18'41"00" East a distance of 357.19 feet as shown on said (Personal Representatives Deed) along a line parallel with said North line of Government Lot 6 to the True Point of Beginning, Excepting therefrom the following parcel: Commenting at said point “B”, a set 5/8 inch rebar with plastic cap “PLS7612” and the point of beginning; thence South 57°18'04"35" West a distance of 273.05 feet to a set 5/8 inch rebar with plastic cap “PLS7612” at a point of intersection with Northeastly right-of-way of the Bruneau Highway North; thence North 32°18'55"25" West a distance of 390.69 feet (formerly North 32°18'55"20" West as shown on said (Personal Representatives Deed) along the Northeastly right-of-way of the Bruneau Highway North to a set 5/8 inch rebar with plastic cap “PLS7612”; thence South 89°18'38"30" East a distance of 356.96 feet (formerly South 89°18'41"00" East a distance of 357.19 feet as shown on said (Personal Representatives Deed) along a line parallel with said North line of Government Lot 6 to said found 1/2 inch rebar with plastic cap “LS 3627”, shown as set on said Record of Survey instrument No. 219463; thence South 19°18'19"06" East (formerly South 19°18'19"23" East as shown on said (Personal Representatives Deed) a distance of 107.83 feet to Point of Beginning. 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 the address of 315 North Bruneau Highway, Marsing, Idaho 83639 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 Roy Olvera and Martha Olvera, husband and wife, as grantors, to Wells Fargo Financial National Bank, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 10/07/2005, and recorded on 10/27/2005, as Instrument No. #253921, of Official 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 10/07/2005. The monthly installments of principal interest and impounds (if applicable) of 259.61, due per month for the months of 10/20/2007 through 5/2/2008, and all subsequent installments 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 \$28,847.58, plus accruing interest at the rate of 10.625% per annum from 09/20/2007. All delinquent amounts are now due, together

with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Melmet Default Services, Inc., 1820 E. First Street, Suite 410, Santa Ana, CA 92705-4063 Sale Information Line: 714-259-7850 Reinstatement and Pay-Off Requests: (714) 480-5472 This is an attempt to collect a debt and information obtained will be used for that purpose. Date: 5/5/08 Pioneer Lenders Trustees Services, LLC By: Amy L. Bowles, Assistant Trustee Officer ASAP# 2757772 6/4,11,18,25/08

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE T.S. No.: ID -114644-C Loan No.: 2000539183 A.P.N.: RP 02N04W033610 A NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on 8/11/2008 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse located on the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey St., known as 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, Owyhee County, ID, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property and personal property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: PARCEL I Beginning at the Southeast corner of Lot One (1), Section Three (3), Township (2) North, Range Four (4) West, Boise Meridian, thence West along the South line, 247 feet; thence Northwest along ditch line 108 feet; thence Northeast along the South line of the Pallon Subdivision 439 feet, to a point on the East line of said Lot One (1); thence South along the East line, 379 feet to a point of beginning. PARCELL II Beginning at the Northeast corner of the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section Three (3), Township (2) North, Range four (4) West of Bolsa Meridian; thence 267 feet South along the East line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, thence in a Northwesterly direction 364 feet to a point on the North line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest quarter that is West along said North line 250 feet from the point of beginning; thence East along said line 250 feet to the point of beginning. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description o f the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address sometimes associated with said real property is: 317 PATTON ST MARSING, ID 83639-0000 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: RALPH R ROBINSON,

A MARRIED INDIVIDUAL, SOLE AND SEPARATE, as grantors, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF CANYON COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of “MERS” MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER AMERICAN HOME MORTGAGE, a s Beneficiary, dated 7/20/2006, recorded 7/24/2006, as Instrument No. 257372 and re-recorded , records of Owyhee County, Idaho, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEM, INC.. 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 and Note dated 7/20/2006. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$1,05.20, due per month from 6/1/2007 through 8/11/2008, 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 \$112,655.25, plus accrued interest at the rate of 9.25% per annum: from 5/1/2007. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: 4/9/2008 FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY Dee Ortega, authorized signatory c/o EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE SERVICES. INC. 2255 North Ontario Street, Suite 400 Burbank, CA 91504 Phone: (818) 260-1600 Sale Line: (714) 259-7550 ASAP# 2734680 6/4,11,18,25/08

**SUMMONS**  
**CASE NO. CV-0660**  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT**  
**OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL**  
**DISTRICT**  
**OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,**  
**IN AND FOR THE COUNTY**  
**OF OWYHEE**  
BLACKSTOCK LIVESTOCK, INC., an Idaho corporation, Plaintiff,  
Vs.  
THE BLACKSTOCK FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST: DIANNE P. SCHUTT; TONY RABB; CHRIS SEARBY; LEESA KILBY; TAMMY DAGGS; DOES I through V; if any of the above named defendants be deceased, then and in that event, all of the unknown heirs and unknown devisees of each of said deceased persons; all of the unknown owners and unknown claimants of all or any part of the following described real property situate in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, to-wit:

The Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 34, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, State of Idaho, and all of the hereditaments and appurtenances of every kind and nature thereto, EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following as excepted and reserved in the United States Patent to Mildred J. Blackstock

and recorded April 7, 1961 in Book 11 of Patents, page 191 of Owyhee County records: Excepting and reserving, also, to the United States, all the oil and gas in the lands so patented, and to it or persons authorized by it, the right to prospect for, mine, and remove such deposits from the same upon compliance with the conditions and subject to the provisions and limitations of the Act of July 17, 1914 (38 Stat, 509), Defendants.  
THE STATE OF IDAHO Sends Greetings to the above named Defendants:  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Complaint has been filed against you in the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Owyhee, by the above named Plaintiff, and you are hereby directed to appear and plead to the said Complaint within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons.  
The action, in part, is brought to require the said Defendants to set forth the nature of their claims of, in and to there property hereinbefore described in the title hereof; that all adverse claims of said Defendants thereto may be determined by a decree of this Court; that by said decree it be determined, adjudged and decreed that said Plaintiff is the owner of and entitled to the possession of said lands and premises; that the Plaintiff’s title to said premises be quieted against all of said Defendants; that said Defendants, and all persons claiming or to claim through, under, for or from the said Defendants or any of the, be forever debarred, restrained and enjoined from asserting any claim whatsoever in or to said lands and premises, or any part thereof, adverse to this Plaintiff, and for damages, attorney’s fees, costs and such other and further relief as to the Court may seem just and equitable. For more particulars, see Plaintiff’s Compliant on file in the above entitled Court.  
AND YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED That unless you so appear and plead to said Complaint within the time herein specified, the Plaintiff will take Judgment against you as prayed in said Complaint.  
WITNESS My hand and the seal of said District Court this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.  
Charlotte Sherburn, Owyhee County Clerk  
By Trina Aman, Deputy Clerk /s/ David L. Whitney, Attorney for Plaintiff, 110 North Ninth Avenue, PO Box 26, Caldwell, Idaho 83606-0026. (208) 459-3659 fax (208) 459-9067 Bar #1122 5/28;6/4,11,18/08

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# Public notices

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**

Notice of Trustee’s Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: May 22, 2008 File No.: 7307.22685 Sale date and time (local time): September 22, 2008 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: HC 79 Box 733 MELBA, ID 83641 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: David M. Lucas, a single person Original trustee: Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for New Freedom Mortgage Corporation, a Corporation Recording date: August 30, 2002 Recorder’s instrument number: 240768 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of May 22, 2008: \$107,223.46 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 Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and a portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 21, Township 1 North,

Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a brass cap marking the Northwest corner of said Section 21; thence South 0 degrees 00’14” West 1,327.13 feet along the Westerly boundary of said Section 21 to an iron pin marking the Northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, said Section 21; thence continuing along said Westerly boundary of said Section 21, South 0 degrees 00’47” West 1,078.75 feet to a point on the centerline of the Opaline Ditch, said point being the Real Point of Beginning; thence leaving said Westerly boundary of said Section 21 and along the centerline of said Opaline Ditch the following courses and distances: thence South 35 degrees 19’26” East 304.55 feet to a point; thence South 24 degrees 33’43” East 196.79 feet to a point; thence South 36 degrees 35’28” East 212.90 feet to a point; thence leaving said centerline of said Opaline Ditch North 89 degrees 57’01” East 939.94 feet to an iron pin marking the Easterly Boundary of the said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21; thence along the said Easterly boundary of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21, North 0 degrees 05’32” East 349.18 feet to an iron pin marking the Northeast corner of said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21; thence continuing along said Easterly boundary North 0 degrees 04’36” East 249.57 feet to an iron pin; thence leaving said Easterly boundary of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21 South 89 degrees 57’01” West 1,325.64 feet to the Point of Beginning. Parcel II: A 28 foot ingress-egress, public utilities, drainage and irrigation easement lying 28 feet Northeasterly of and adjacent to the above described irrigation easement and more

particularly described as follows: Beginning at a brass cap marking the Northwest corner of Section 21, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, thence South 0 degrees 00’14” West 719.88 feet along the Westerly boundary of said Section 21 to an iron pin; thence leaving said Westerly boundary South 52 degrees 19’53” West 300.74 feet to an iron pin; thence South 31 degrees 22’37” West 297.49 feet to an iron pin; thence South 68 degrees 14’05” West 150.64 feet to a point, said being the Real Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 68 degrees 14’05” west 28.00 feet to a point; thence South 21 degrees 08’38” East 110.28 feet along a line 25 feet Northeasterly and parallel to the centerline of the Opaline Ditch to a point; thence South 22 degrees 01’07” East 324.12 feet to a point; thence South 34 degrees 26’13” East 301.98 feet to a point; thence South 23 degrees 29’44” East 470.35 feet to a point; thence South 35 degrees 19’26” East 120.39 feet to a point; thence leaving said parallel line North 89 degrees 57’01” East 34.30 feet to a point; thence North 35 degrees 19’26” West 137.30 feet on a line 53 feet Northeasterly and parallel to the centerline of the Opaline Ditch to a point; thence North 23 degrees 29’44” west 470.13 feet to a point; thence North 34 degrees 26’13” West 301.61 feet to a point; thence North 22 degrees 01’ 07” West 320.86 feet to a point; thence North 21 degrees 08’38” West 110.37 feet to the Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at [www.northwesttrustee.com](http://www.northwesttrustee.com) or [USA-Foreclosure.com](http://USA-Foreclosure.com). The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7307.22685) 1002.91462-FEI  
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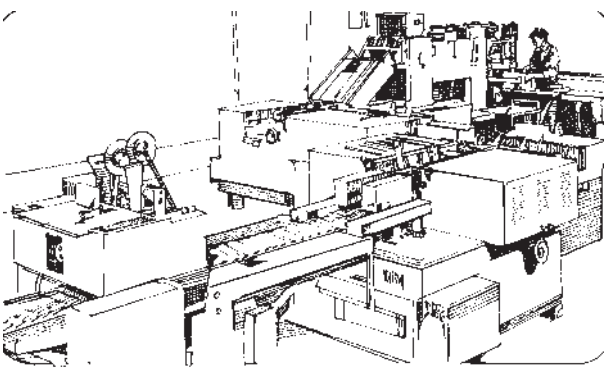
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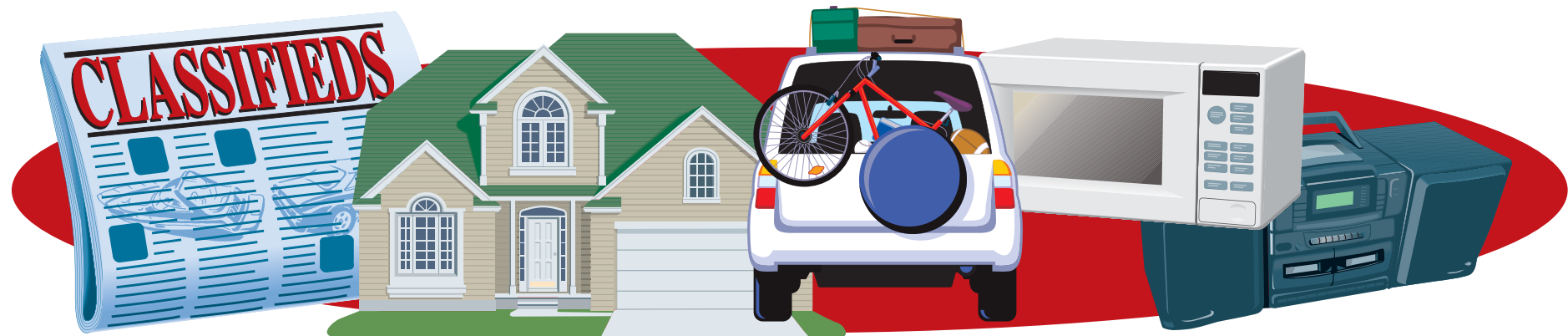
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<b>Assembly of God Church Homedale</b> 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Pastor George Greenwood Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm	<b>Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale</b> 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm	<b>Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church</b> 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
<b>Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale - 337-4248</b> Sunday Services 10am Rev. Ross Shaver, Pastor Youth and Adult Sunday School 9-9:45am Wed. Adult Bible Study 7-8:30pm Visitors Always Welcome!	<b>Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing</b> Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henrioulle, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	<b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale</b> 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Alan McRae Bishop Dwayne Fisher Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm
<b>Homedale Baptist Church Homedale</b> 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am & 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls	<b>Wilder Church of God Wilder</b> 205 A St. E, 482-7839 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	<b>Mountain View Church of the Nazarene</b> 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm Bible Based Recovery: Friday 7:00 pm
 <b>MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing</b> 221 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Ricardo Rodriguez 896-5552 or 371-3516 <small>Sunday School 1:30 pm • Sunday Service 3 pm Thursday Service 7 pm • (Bilingual Services/Espanol)</small>	<b>Iglesia Evangelica Wilder</b>  317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	<b>Marsing Church of Christ Marsing</b> 932 Franklin, Marsing  Minister Gib Nelson Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am
<b>Christian Church Homedale</b> 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	<b>Bible Missionary Church Homedale</b> West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	<b>Assembly of God Church Marsing</b> 139 Kerry, 249-2512 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
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