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Prepping the tools

A crew from Boise-based Stevens and Sons do some last-minute adaptation on gear Wednesday, before attempting the perforation and removal of the aging well liner at the site next to the U.S. Bank in Homedale. As it happened, the liner was in such a decayed condition that the plans for cutting and pulling it had to be put on hold. The crew subsequently switched efforts to the other two wells, while the third well awaits further word from the Department of Environmental Quality, Larry Bauer, Homedale public works supervisor, said. See story, Page 13

Firms get behind revitalization

Homedale looks for more evidence

Engel said to city officials in the aftermath of the public hearing at which the business community's

Dugger pleads guilty to one misdemeanor

Former clerk reaches deal with AG

Former Homedale City Clerk Pamela Dugger entered a guilty plea through the Alford guidelines on a misdemeanor petit theft charge Monday morning in Third

District Court.

The plea entered in Caldwell before District Judge Gordon W.

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Initiative bill could be law by end of year

Lame-duck Senate to take up lands bill package next week

After eight years of wrangling, Senate reconvenes in a lame-duck the Owyhee Initiative

could be on the fast track to becoming a reality.

But an anticipated filibuster attempt by an Oklahoma senator could also stall final action until after the new Congress convenes in January.

The Omnibus Public Lands Management,

which includes the Mike Crapo Owyhee Public Lands Manage- ronmental interests in the Owyhee

session

In an ironic twist that would delight everyone who has been involved in what bill sponsor Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) characterized as painstaking work for nearly a decade, the Initiative's objectives of simultaneously protecting ranching and envi-



to bolster grant application

Even though Homedale withdrew its application for a similar grant earlier this year, the climate seems to be right for the city to earn the money necessary to complete downtown revitalization dreams.

business development coordinator Pat Engel was upbeat about the possibility of Homedale getting a \$500,000 Idaho Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) during a well-attended public hearing Thursday at City Hall. "You have a strong chance,"

Sage Community Resources

support for this year's effort was on full display. Homedale Chamber of Commerce president Gavin Parker reported that he has submitted

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ment Act, is scheduled for a vote sometime next week when the

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Holiday delays Avalanche

Most subscribers to The Owyhee Avalanche received their newspapers late this week because of the Tuesday Veterans Day holiday. With the U.S. Postal Service closed for the holiday, mail wasn't delivered until today.

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shooting arrested by Utah authorities

in connection with the July 12 Homedale shooting in which a bullet passed through the cab

of a pickup carrying two adults and 10 children, was arrested on an Owyhee County warrant in Weber, Utah, on Sunday.

He was wanted on a \$100,000 warrant.

Meza, 19, will be transported to Owyhee County, and faces an ag-

gravated assault charge. Juan Carlos Meza said. No date for the transfer has been

released.

Meza became a suspect after a report of shots fired was logged at 11:40 p.m. on July 12 at the intersection of North Third Street West and West Owyhee Avenue in Homedale.

The incident came after what

Juan Carlos Meza, wanted Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller described as "an exchange of words". Initial investigation led police to believe that six shots

were fired, though only one bullet struck the white pickup, punching through the rear window and shattering the rearview mirror as it exited the windshield.

The two adults were in the cab of the truck, the 10 children in the bed of the pickup, Eidemiller

The vehicle and children were reported to be returning from a birthday party.

In early reports on the incident. Meza's name was not released by law enforcement, for fear of possible reprisals against him. The victim's name has still not been released.

Suspect in Homedale | Challengers log landslide wins in Gem elections

Lootens, Shenk start in January

Both incumbents lost in landslides during last week's Gem Irrigation District Board of Directors election.

With about 600 people casting ballots, Division 1 challenger Kelly Lootens of Marsing and Division 2 hopeful Dave Shenk of Homedale both cruised to victory and will begin three-year terms on both the Gem board and the South Board of Control on Jan. 1.

Lootens garnered 422 votes, eclipsing incumbent Elmon Thompson by 256 votes and grabbing 71.7 percent of the vote.

Shenk garnered 70.2 percent of the vote and beat one-term director Dale Chrz, 409-174.

The Gem board canvassed the ballots Thursday afternoon.

Support for Lootens and Shenk was equally strong regardless of the polling place — either the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center or the South Board watermaster's office in Homedale.

Homedale voters cast 281

Lootens, Shenk win easily

Strong voter turnout equaled lopsided wins for Gem Irrigation District Board of Directors challengers Kelly Lootens and Dave Shank in last week's elect

Shelik ili last week s	s elections.		
Division 1	Homedale	Marsing	Total
Kelly Lootens	281	141	422
Elmon Thompson	109	57	166
Division 2			
Dave Shenk	275	134	409
Dale Chrz	115	59	174



Kelly Lootens 141-57.

In the Division 2 race, Shenk earned 70.5 percent of the Homedale vote (275), and beat Chrz by 160 votes. The Marsing results were a little closer with Shenk taking 69.4 percent of the vote





a 68 percent Dave Shenk increase over

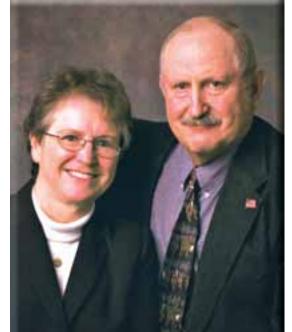
the 2005 election that ushered in Thompson. Chrz ran unopposed three years ago.

Chadez contributed the bump in voters in part to the coincidence of a strong interest in the presidential election.

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Accused in political sign case enters not guilty plea

would retain, but he told The

Owyhee Avalanche after the

morning hearing that attorneys

had offered to work for free on

"I've already had three different

attorneys ready to take the case

pro bono," Lopez said. "I've been

Lopez said calls have come

from as far away as New York,

Oklahoma and California and the

flooded with phone calls."

Lopez plans to keep anti-Crandall sign in yard; pre-trial set for Dec. 3

his behalf.

When Tony Lopez was charged with defacing a political sign supporting sheriff candidate Daryl Crandall, the Homedale resident said it didn't take long for supporters — including legal minds — to come to his aid.

While entering a not guilty plea Wednesday in Homedale, the 20-year town resident didn't tell Magistrate Judge Dan Grober specifically which counsel he

calls began shortly after he was cited on Oct. 25.

Lopez faces a 1:30 p.m. pre-trial hearing on Dec. 3 in Homedale on a charge of malicious injury to property. Crandall, now the sheriff-elect after beating Gary Aman in last week's general election, signed a Homedale Police Department citation for the offense when he found the sign placed in Lopez's yard had been modified with a large slash painted on it, the universal symbol for "no."

The sign was confiscated, but Lopez replaced it with a homemade sign carrying the same sentiment. Lopez said Wednesday



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Bert and Paula Brackett

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that he plans to keep that sign in his yard for the duration of Crandall's four-year term.

"That sign is staying up for four years," Lopez said. "I'll tell you why. You're only as good as your word."

Several supporters showed up for Lopez's arraignment on the misdemeanor charge, including Pro-Life, a candidate for U.S. Senate who had been defeated by Jim Risch the night before, and Payette-based blogger Will Grigg, who has chronicled Lopez's plight with articles on his Pro Libertate site.

Lopez faces a \$1,000 fine and up to a year in the jail if he is convicted.

— JPB

Election workers survive 80% turnout

Clerk attributes surge of voters to races for sheriff, president

Voter turnout soared in last to expect a really big turnout." week's general election with nearly 80 percent of all Owyhee County voters casting a ballot.

With 4,187 people casting ballots, election officials were jittery about voting supplies at one point, but county clerk Charlotte Sherburn said everything came together without disruption.

"It was a very successful general election, and the poll workers can take most of that credit," Sherburn said. "The chief judges had their crew, and they had been training and had everything (completed ballots) in by 10 p.m.

"They were all geared up for a big turnout, and they handled it really, really well."

Sherburn said 730 new voters registered at the polls on Nov. 4.

For county offices, voters elected a new sheriff, Daryl Crandall, and re-elected District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland. In state races, all three Republican incumbents — state Sen. Bert Brackett of Rogerson and Reps. Jim Patrick and Stephen Hartgen of Twin Falls — were re-elected.

The county leaned overwhelmingly to Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) in the presidential election, handing him 3,024 votes to 944 for President-elect Barack Obama.

Jim Risch earned 68.4 percent of the vote on his way to his U.S. Senate victory. A majority of county voters cast ballots for Rep. Bill Sali, but the Republican lost the statewide District 1 Congressional race to Democrat Walt Minnick.

Sherburn said she prepared for the surge of voters by ordering enough ballots to cover 95 percent of the county's registered voters. In past elections, she has only ordered enough ballots for 80 percent of the voters.

"I run a list of registered voters in each precinct and try to do as good a guesstimate as I can," Sherburn said. "I ordered more ballots for this general because the Secretary of State's office told us

Even with the extra ballots order, there were some tense moments in at least two county precincts - Oreana and Wilson.

"We were really getting close in South and North Marsing and Wilson, too," Sherburn said.

Oreana election workers told Sherburn that they were running low on ballots, and she said a contingency plan of using ballots from the Automark machine was instituted. Sherburn also said that, after checking with the Secretary of State's office, she made photocopies of ballots — 15 for Oreana and 25 for Wilson — and had them shipped to those locations.

"The (copy) paper was longer, so we could make a stub at the end of the ballot." Sherburn said. "With the official ballot stamp on the back of that ballot, whether it's our copy or Caxton Printers', it's an official ballot."

Sherburn said she didn't think any of the photocopies were used, but she speculated that some of the Automark ballots were probably harvested from the machine and used in Oreana, where 23 dayof registrations were reported.

In hard numbers, 4,187 of 5,280 Owyhee County registered voters cast ballots last week, a 79.3 percent turnout. By comparison, only 2,046 voters participated in the May primary for a 44.2 percent turnout. The primary was a predominantly Republican affair, with District 2 Commissioner-elect George Hyer unseating incumbent Harold "Hal" Tolmie, Crandall and Aman facing off for the first time and Hoagland and Prosecuting Attorney-elect Douglas Emery running unopposed on the GOP ballot.

Two mail-in precincts led the turnout brigade with 89.47 percent of the 19 registered voters casting ballots in Three Creek and 85.71 voters returning ballots from Pleasant Valley, which has 77 registered voters.

Sherburn said the absentee ballot return rate was 94.3 percent as

Voter turnout Precinct **Pre-election Election Day** Total **Ballots** Turnout Change registration registration voters rate from primary cast N. Homedale 668 127 795 567 71.3% +31.7% S. Homedale 876 164 1,040 721 69.3% +29.3% N. Marsing 637 101 738 493 66.8% +31.1% S. Marsing 599 127 726 505 69.6% +20.2% Pleasant Valley 77 0 77 85.7% +28.1%66 Wilson 417 72 489 363 74.2% +31.8% Murphy 241 18 259 167 64.5% +7.7% Oreana 128 23 151 122 80.8% +30.4%Grand View 447 65 512 379 74.0% +24.4% Bruneau 336 32 368 262 71.2% +20.8%Riddle 105 1 106 59 55.7% +25.9% 0 Three Creek 19 19 17 89.5% +6.2% Absentee 494 n/a 494 466 94.3% +2.5% Total 4,550 730 5,280 4,187 79.3% +35.1%



Ballot counters get early jump

South Homedale precinct election workers, from left, Vivian Lillie, Mary Louise Mansisidor, Vicki Volk and Carmen Demshar count the votes during last week's election. With two ballot boxes in use, the workers were able to count early ballots. See Page 12 for a complete breakdown of last week's voting.

466 of the 494 requested ballots were returned. Only 441 absentee voters cast ballots in the sheriff's race with Crandall earned 57.4 percent of the votes in his successful effort to turn back Sheriff Gary Aman's write-in bid.

Sherburn said the success in the mail-in precincts and the high absentee rate only adds fuel to the on-again, off-again push to give all 44 counties the option to go a fully mail-in ballot system.

"I'm thinking that with this many absentee ballots, (legislators) should look at it statewide," Sherburn said.

The largest turnout at a single precinct came in South Homedale

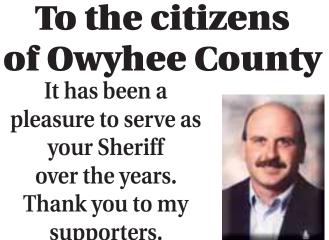
with 721 voters showing up, including a county-high 164 voters signing up during Election Day. Still, South Homedale had one of the lowest turnouts at 69.33 percent. Of the walk-in precincts, Oreana had the largest turnout by percentage with 80.79 percent of the voters visiting the polls.

Sherburn said the day-of turnout was all the more surprising given the fact than nearly 500 people voted absentee.

She said the high turnout at the polls can be attributed to the hotly contest sheriff's race as well as the surge in interest because of the presidential election.

"The strain was we had sent out (494) absentee ballots, so I felt that was going to take the pressure off the poll workers at the polling places because I didn't expect that high of registration at the polls," Sherburn said.

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- Sheriff Gary Aman

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Children of all ages are welcome to the free presentation.

For more information, call the Homedale Public Library at 337-W. Owyhee Ave.

Jeff Bayes Certified Arborist

of Reynolds Creek bridge plan Creek bridge replacement project

4228. The library is located at 125

Studies show that the increasing traffic load on the bridge will require replacing the one-lane bridge with a two-lane span. "(Engineers) were estimating

now will cost more money.

a single-lane bridge," Owyhee County Board of Commissioners chair Jerry Hoagland said. "Now they've found out there could potentially be a lot more traffic, so it will substantially increase the preliminary estimate.

The commissioners last week authorized sending a letter to the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council informing that grant-administering organization of the potential for increased costs.

Hoagland said that the original plan was to replace the existing bridge with another one-lane model at a cost of about \$350,000. The new estimate will be as much as \$770,000, including engineering costs, according to project manager Rob Ramsey of Twin Falls-based Civil Science.

The Reynolds Creek bridge, and the Jordan Creek bridge on Flint Creek Road, both were slated for replacement last summer, Hoagland said.

"In last year's bridge report, it was probably one of the worse bridges in the county," Hoagland said of Reynolds Creek bridge. "A lot of the recreational traffic is using that bridge to access the Black Mountain parking area.

Traffic flow forces modification

"There's quite a bit of traffic with people just sightseeing, or hunting traffic, especially right now."

With the projects requiring more engineering than anticipated and with public hearings yet to be scheduled, the timeline has been pushed back, Hoagland said. The Jordan Creek bridge now will be replaced in 2010, while the Reynolds Creek project won't take place until 2012.

Ramsey, a senior engineer with Civil Science, said that the modified Reynolds Creek bridge plan stemmed from traffic volume reports compiled by the county road district. Bridges must be built to handle traffic flows for the 20 years after its construction.

"The county roads department went out and laid out a traffic counter and collected data on how many cars travel across that bridge at this time," Ramsey said.

The count showed that currently there are 78 annual daily trips (ADT, also called average daily traffic) across Reynolds Creek bridge. By 2030, the volume is estimated to be 124 ADT.

Ramsey said that the traffic count does not differentiate between automobiles and ATVs. It's unknown if the phenomenon of nearby ranchers crossing both bridges with ATVs numerous times in the course of their business has skewed the ADT

numbers, Ramsey said.

The ADT for Jordan Creek bridge isn't nearly as ominous. Ramsey said the current count is 15. and it is expected to rise to 24 by 2030.

The commissioners have decided to rebuild the Jordan Creek bridge in its current location rather than acting on another recommendation that the bridge be relocated, which would require purchase of adjacent private ground.

Construction and engineering of the bridge still will cost \$600,000.

The next step in the process is holding public hearings for both projects. Ramsey said that will begin after the county hears back from the Idaho Transportation Department.

"We've submitted initial studies to ITD. They're reviewing them as a concept report," he said. "Once the concept is approved, we can begin the formal design and then put it out to bid."

Ramsey anticipates ITD approval of the concept report to come within a month.

The public hearing process could begin as early as December, Ramsey said.

Funding for both construction projects will be available from LHTAC in fiscal year 2010. meaning that money will come to the county no earlier than October 2009.

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Initiative: Oklahoma senator expected to filibuster omnibus package

Canyonlands could become law relatively quickly — by the end of the year.

"If the House is in session, will the lands bill get to the House?" Crapo asked. "I always hate to declare victory before it's achieved, but I think that would be a very good possibility."

When asked if President Bush could sign the omnibus bill into law by Dec. 31, Crapo said, "That is definitely my hope."

But, even though the lame-duck session called by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) could last only a week, there still is a long road for the Initiative in that short time. Crapo expects the lands bill package to be near the top of the agenda when the session opens, which is scheduled for Monday.

"The primary purpose for us coming back was for consideration of the lands bill in which the Owyhee Initiative is included," Crapo said.

As Crapo alluded, the House of Representatives must convene to hear any legislation that the Senate takes up in order to move it to

the president.

"I have not yet heard if the House has agreed to this (a lameduck session), which is very important, or if the House may in a pro forma session approve what the Senate does or how that will proceed, so we still have a lot of details to work out," Crapo said.

When the nearly 150 bills in the omnibus package hit the Senate floor, there will be the matter of working through an expected filibuster from Sen. Tom Coburn (R-Okla.), who already had his tactic of using the ban of guns in national parks defeated in an earlier run at the public lands package.

Crapo said Democratic Senate leadership avoided making the same mistake by disallowing Coburn's attempt to attach the guns issue to the lands package again. Both administrative and legislative steps have been taken to resolve the guns issue as well.

Still, Crapo anticipates a Coburn filibuster, pointing out that the block is aimed at the entire package and not the Owyhee Initiative legislation specifically.

A filibuster could bog down the process as the Senate works through the cloture rules, Crapo said. Delays could lessen the possibility of getting the vote done before the short session adjourns.

The junior senator from Idaho, who will become the state's senior member in the chamber with the 111th Congress in January, anticipates Coburn to employ the energy crunch in his latest opposition campaign.

"I think his argument will be just his general disagreement with lands packages like this," Crapo said.

"And he started making the argument that withdrawing land — as some of the provisions of this bill do and as the Owyhee Initiative does — takes away potential areas where oil exploration can occur."

Another roadblock already has been worked out after Crapo brokered a compromise last month that simultaneously satisfied the objectives of the Craig Thomas Snake River Headwaters Legacy Act and protected the water rights of Idaho farmers and ranchers who rely on the river for their industry.

The Idaho Water Users Association had threatened action that could have upended the Snake River bill and the Initiative before the compromise ensured water flows to Idaho agriculture wouldn't be disrupted.

Before the compromise, the IWUA had pushed Crapo and Sen. Larry Craig (R-Idaho) into a stance of opposition regarding the Snake River bill championed by Sen. John Barrasso (R-Wyo.) and named for his late predecessor even though the legislation calls for the protection of 387 miles of river and streams in the Snake River drainage as Wild and Scenic much like the Initiative would place 315 miles of Owyhee rivers and streams under the same designation.

If the Senate passes the public lands package next week, Crapo said the House of Representatives could do a number of things, including not considering it or referring it to committee, both of which would delay further action

until after the 111th Congress convenes in January.

The House also could skip the committee process and move the package directly to the floor for a vote, which could place it on the president's desk for signature before year's end.

Crapo said the two most likely scenarios include a vote on the floor or a pre-conferencing process through which the House could take up the bill even as the Senate is still working through it.

Crapo prefers the simultaneous path, working through issues on the fly much like the Initiative Work Group has done for the past eight years.

"I think the fastest way would be for all these things to be ironed out ahead of time so that before the Senate made its final vote the first time, we knew what changes the House wanted, we could put those in a manager's amendment at the last minute in the Senate and then only have to vote on it once in the Senate," he said.

— JPB

$\sqrt{\text{Revitalization: City would hear fate of}}$ $\sqrt{\text{Dugger: City obtains check}}$ latest grant application sometime next year Petrie was part of an agreement with the Idaho Attorney General's

16 letters of support on behalf of city businesses.

"There really is an undertow of excitement on behalf of our business community to really use this as a springboard to the revitalization of downtown," Parker said.

Engel encouraged business leaders to gather information on their capital investments — both actual since November 2007 and projected until November 2009 — to use as part of the application that will be submitted to the Economic Advisory Council (EAC). Investment outlines can be submitted by the business owners, not just the owners of the buildings where the improvements took place. The EAC makes the recommendations of which applications should be considered for a grant pool of \$3.4 million. With the application deadline looming in the next few weeks, Parker urged businesses to submit more supporting evidence on improvements and also opinions of what the revitalization would do for the city's economy and the attractiveness of the downtown corridor. Correspondence can be directed to Parker or City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram at City Hall. Today is the final day to get information in. "The businesses are very excited," Western Alliance for Economic Development coordinator Mike Pollard said. "I have

not heard one negative comment about this plan. Quite a number will be writing letters."

The Homedale Master Plan calls for improved sidewalks, curbs, gutters and driveway access along Idaho Avenue from Fourth Street East to Railroad Way. The plan also calls for up to 40 new antique-themed streetlights along Idaho Avenue as well as Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant sloped curbs at intersections.

The project is tentatively priced at \$451,000, with the remaining \$49,000 of the grant earmarked for administrative costs incurred by Sage Community Resources. Public works supervisor Larry Bauer said the tentative scope of the project could expand if construction firms continue to fight for contracts, which has given Homedale more bang for its buck in recent project bids, such as the water and sewer rehabilitation jobs. Those projects form the basis of more than \$3.8 million in matching funds used to make the state more prone to award the block grant.

shop on West Idaho Avenue and plans another retail outlet there, was anxious to see things get rolling on the plan.

Engel said the EAC would make the first cut among applicants in March and the grants would be awarded sometime in May. She said if Homedale gets the grant, it's conceivable that engineering could start as early as next summer.

Homedale has been here before, however. When Mayor Harold Wilson's administration took power in January, a similar \$500,000 grant application was withdrawn. Paul Fink's previous mayoral administration had applied for the grant based on job creation near the U.S. Highway 95-Idaho Avenue intersection. But City Councilman Tim Downing said the climate is much different this year as compared to last November when the city originally applied for ICDBG money. He said that not many details were known about the 2007 application until the night of the public meeting just weeks before the application deadline last fall. "The communication has been much better than last year. Nobody really knew what was going on until that meeting last year," Downing said. "Gavin has done a great job of getting people involved and thinking about this thing."

Office that allows Dugger to plead guilty without admitting the acts that led to the charge.

The attorney general's office press release stressed that the court treats an Alford plea in the same manner as any other guilty plea.

Accused of wrongfully obtaining city funds, Dugger was ordered to pay \$1,500 in restitution to the City of Homedale and was placed on six months' probation. A 30-day jail sentence was suspended. Current City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram said Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller attended the proceedings and accepted Dugger's restitution check on behalf of the city.

Attorney general's office spokesperson Kriss Blivens-Cloyd said Monday afternoon that Dugger can obtain a withheld judgment if she successfully completes probation. The plea deal was reached as the attorney general's office was appealing Petrie's January 2007 decision to dismiss the original nine felony counts on which a Canyon County grand jury had indicted Dugger. "During the (appeal) process, given the facts and the issues that we could prove at trial, we came to this resolution, which we thought was fair on both sides," Blivens-Cloyd said Monday. Deputy AG John McKinney prosecuted the case for the state. Dugger was represented by defense attorney Richard B. Eismann. Blivens-Cloyd said the misdemeanor count filed Monday by the attorney general's office stated Dugger "wrongfully obtained credit

or money from the owner (City of Homedale) in the amount of \$62 with the intent to deprive another of property or appropriate for herself that property."

The count to which Dugger entered her plea pertained to an action in the fall/winter of 2003, Blivens-Cloyd said.

Dugger originally was indicted on several felonies, including grant theft by embezzlement for allegedly using more than \$1,000 in city funds for personal purchases. She also was indicted in July 2006 on charges of misusing public money by using a city credit card. The original indictment covered accusations between July 2001 and the end of 2003. The grand theft charge carried a maximum penalty of 14 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine, while each misuse of public money charge could have been punishable by 10 years in prison and Dugger would have been permanently barred from holding public office in Idaho. Petrie threw out the indictment on Jan. 30, 2007, ruling that seven counts of misuse of public funds weren't punishable because the statute clarifying that credit cards also are "public funds" didn't go into effect until July 1, 2006. Dugger's alleged offenses occurred between 2002 and 2003.

Homedale School District superintendent Tim Rosandick and Santa Fe residential subdivision developer Ron Mayhew both gave testimony in support of the city's effort to get the grant.

Homedale Mini-Mall owner Del Motz, who recently bought the former Munster's Ink tattoo

- JPB

The charge of grand theft by embezzlement was tossed because the alleged crime took place in Owyhee County, not Canyon County where Dugger was indicted.

Dugger left the city clerk position in 2004 when Mayor Paul Fink assumed office.

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Eidemiller completes basic

Air Force Airman Richard J. Eidemiller has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, after six weeks of training.

Eidemiller is a 2006 Homedale

High School and the son of Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller and his wife, Kim, who live in town.

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basic training Richard earn credits Eidemiller

toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

HHS seniors set fund-raiser

The Homedale High School Class of 2009 plans a bingo and baked potato fund-raiser from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Monday at the high school cafeteria.

Students will sell baked potatoes with all of the trimmings, drinks and cinnamon twists. Bingo cards will be sold on a per-card, pergame basis. Bingo prizes will be available for game winners.

Funds raised from the event will be used for senior-year activities and the drug-free all-night party held after graduation.



menu

Homedale center

Nov. 12: Spaghetti & sausage, tossed salad, roll, beverage.

Nov. 13: Beef burritos, refried beans, rice, beverage.

Nov. 18: Pork chow mien, stir fry vegetables, fried rice, beverage.

Nov. 19: Hearty beef stew, roll, beverage.



Creed contestants From left: Deidrie Briggs, Becky Carter and Evon Timmons presented the FFA Creed to open the Greenhand Dance and Harvest Night.

Marsing FFA inducts newest members

The Marsing FFA held its annual Greenhand Night and Harvest Dance on Friday at the Marsing High School Agriculture Building.

The first item of business was the Creed Contest with Becky Carter, Deidrie Briggs and Evon Timmons presented the FFA Creed. Timmons was selected to represent the Marsing Chapter at the Boise Valley District FFA contest in February.

Greenhand recognition followed the Creed Contest.

A total of 16 new members were inducted into the Marsing

Chapter: Michael Butler, Timmons, Josh Porter, Briggs, Shelbi Ferdinand, Carter, Nate Feaster-Etchison, Mackay Hall, Josie Grim, Payden Dingman, Kelsey Easterday, Hendrick Van Es, Dafni Clausen, Grayson Kendal, Myranda Payne-Ehlers, Chelsea Thromune, and Randal Edwards

Upon completion of the Greenhand ceremony a square dance was held. More than 50 members and guests were present with five groups of eight square dancers participating simultaneously. The evening concluded with a Western-style dance

FSA panel election under way

Election ballots for the Farm Service Agency Committee for Owyhee County must be returned or postmarked by Dec. 1.

The ballots have been mailed Administrative Area (LAA 1), Monday to Nov. 21.

RSVP for the November install-

ment of the "Bruneau and Be-

yond" speaker series at Bruneau

Clay and Jakie Atkins will talk

about their experiences while

on a three-week trip with the

Hue-Hong Ha medical team to

Vietnam in February. The hu-

manitarian effort was organized

Valley Library.

which includes Marsing and Homedale. Call 896-4384, ext. 2 for more

information. The county FSA office in to eligible voters in Local Marsing will be closed from

'Bruneau and Beyond' talk slated

Monday is the deadline to by Vets with a Mission.

The Atkins' talk is scheduled for noon next Wednesday at the library, 32073 Ruth St., and a free lunch will be served. If there's an overflow crowd, the event will move to the Community Church.

Make reservations for the luncheon by calling library director Clara Morris at (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2345.



School menus

Homedale Elementary

Nov. 12: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, churro, milk.

Nov. 13: Spaghetti or pizza hot pocket, French bread, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Nov. 14: Hot ham/cheese or turkey sandwich, yogurt, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Nov. 17: Wiener wrap or chicken bacon melt, mac & cheese, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, rice krispy bar, milk.

Nov. 18: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Nov. 19: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, animal crackers, milk.

Homedale Middle

Nov. 12: Enchilada or chicken & noodles, corn, fruit & veggie bar, turnover, milk.

Nov. 13: Lasagna or pizza hot pocket, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, bread stick, milk.

Nov. 14: Pizza or popcorn chicken, tossed salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Nov. 17: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Nov. 18: Fish nuggets or mini corn dogs, rice, fruit & veggie bar, brownie, milk.

Nov. 19: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale High

Nov. 12: Lasagna, burrito or pizza hot pocket, French bread, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Nov. 13: Chicken patty or hamburger, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, sherbet cup, milk.

Nov. 14: Crispito or rib-b-que, corn, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Nov. 17: Pizza, nachos or chef salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Nov. 18: Chicken nuggets or egg roll, rice pilaf, green beans, fortune cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Nov. 19: Idaho haystack, burrito or pizza hot pocket, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon roll, milk.

Marsing

Nov. 12: Red Baron pizza, salad, cookie, Chinese egg roll, salad bar, milk, fruit bar.

Nov. 13: Corn dogs, veggie, jello & fruit, tostada, salad bar, milk, fruit bar.

Nov. 14: Sloppy Joes, veggie, chicken patty/bun, salad bar, milk, fruit bar.

Nov. 17: Hamburgers, potato wedges, French dip, salad bar, milk, fruit bar.

Nov. 18: Ham & cheese sandwich, veggie, chicken fried steak, salad bar. milk. fruit bar.

Nov. 19: Taco, rice, Red Baron pizza, dessert, salad bar, milk, fruit bar.

Bruneau

Nov. 12: Haystacks, tossed salad, corn, cinnamon sticks, fruit, milk.

Nov. 13: Chicken & noodles, peas, roll/butter, cherry crisp, milk. Nov. 14: Finger steaks, fries, veggie sticks, fruit, cookie, milk. Nov. 17: Soft taco & fixings, corn, applesauce, cinnamon roll, milk





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Thank You **Owyhee** County

Jennifer and Daryl Crandall

I look forward to four years of good communication and cooperation with all citizens of Owyhee County.

Daryl Crandall,

Sheriff-elect of Owyhee County Paid for by Crandall for Sheriff, Merleen Johns, Political Treasurer.

Nov. 18: Pizza, tossed salad/croutons, corn, pineapple, milk. Nov. 19: Popcorn chicken, potato wedges, veggie, fruit, cookie, milk.

Death notices

JENNY JEREB, 98, of Homedale, died Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2008, in Caldwell. A rosary service was held Sunday, Nov. 9, 2008, at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. A graveside service took place Monday, Nov. 10, 2008, at Canyon Hill Cemetery in Caldwell.

CONNIE (LEQUERICA) STITZEL, 96, of Jordan Valley, Ore., died Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2008, at a Caldwell care center. The Rosary was held Monday, Nov. 10, 2008, at Flahiff Funeral Chapel. Services were held Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2008, at Flahiff chapel. Interment followed at Jordan Valley Cemetery.

Your finances S&P 500 is better market bellwether than Dow Jones

— Ken

Dear Dave,

We hear all kinds of numbers relating to the economy every night on the news. To be honest, I have no idea what most of them mean. Can you tell me more about the Dow Jones Industrial Average?

Dear Ken,

The Dow is an index of the stocks of 30 selected companies. We're talking about outfits like Wal-Mart, Coca-Cola and Nike — some of the big boys. The percentage that the stock prices of these companies rise or fall as a group, on any given day, is the Dow Jones Industrial Average for that day.

Technically, this index is not a good representative of what the stock market is doing because it only takes into account 30 companies.

The S&P is a much better measure of what the market is doing, because it represents the stock-price activity of 500 companies.

Let's say you're watching the news, and a reporter tells you the market just went down 300 points and it was at 10,000. That represents only a three percent change, and that's not big news - regardless of what some of the

"experts" say.

Great question, Ken! — Dave

Dear Dave,

I'm getting married in December. My fiancé lives in Tennessee, and I live in Alabama. She will be moving down here, but she owns a house near Nashville. We could handle the payments for a few months, but considering the tough housing market, what's the best thing for us to do with her place?



there's a lot of stress that comes with getting married and starting a new life together. You don't need a big financial burden hanging over your heads.

Still, it's not the end of the world if it doesn't sell quickly. Being a landlord from a distance is a tough assignment, but if worse comes to worse you can rent it out in the spring for a year or so. After that, try selling it again when, hopefully, the market will be better!

- Dave

Dear Dave,

When I use my Visa debit card I'm asked if it's "debit" or "credit." What difference does it make if you choose one over the other?

— Marlon

Dear Marlon,

Since your debit card is a Visa product, if you push "credit" it means the merchant can process the transaction as if it were a Visa card. It's run through the Visa system, and they pay Visa a fee just as if you were using a credit card.

Now, if you press "debit," you're using the ATM (automated teller machine) function of the card. This means you'll have to enter your PIN (personal identification number) and this sends the transaction through your bank system instead of the Visa system.

I recommend running your card through the Visa system. By doing this, you'll have Visa fraud protection on your side in the event that you lose your card or someone steals your PIN!

Calendar

Today

Homedale Senior Citizens board meeting 1 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Owyhee Watershed Council meeting

4 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (541) 372-5782

Homedale City Council meeting

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

US Ecology public meeting

6 p.m., permit modification meeting, Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau **DivorceCare recovery support group**

7 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151 Grand View City Council meeting

7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Boise Ave. (208) 834-2700, Monday through Wednesday

Homedale City Council public hearings

7 p.m., sewer rate increase; airport lease rate increase; airport development fee establishment, Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641

Homedale sewer user rate public hearing 7 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale.

(208) 337-4641

Marsing City Council meeting 7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Main St. (208) 896-4122

Thursday

Owyhee Conservation District board meeting 10 a.m., 250 N Old Bruneau Highway, Marsing. (208) 896-4544

Exercise class

10:45 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

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

Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon Noon, Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 W. 1st St. (208) 337-3271

Senior citizens lunch

Noon, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View

Owyhee Gardeners meeting

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

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

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

Adrian school board meeting

7 p.m., Adrian School Library

AA meeting

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

Owyhee County Fair Board meeting

8 p.m., county fairgrounds, Homedale. (208) 337-4575

Friday

Grand View Lions Club meeting

11:30 a.m., Salinas Raider Cafe, 330 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2419

Celebrate Recovery 12-step program

6 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene. 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520 or (208) 337-3151

Monday

County Board of Commissioners meeting

Courtroom 2, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy

County commissioners public hearing

3:30 p.m., county Natural Resources Plan draft update, Courtroom 2, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Hwy. 78, Murphy

Marsing Lions Club meeting

7:30 p.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 2nd St. N., Marsing. (208) 896-4204

Tuesday

Health fair

9 a.m., vendors and foot clinic, appointment necessary for clinic, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

Exercise class

10:45 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

El-Ada commodity distribution

1 p.m. to 4 p.m., El-Ada Owyhee office, 15 W. Colorado Ave. Homedale. (208) 337-4812

- "Every Child Ready to Read" program 6 p.m., ages 6 and younger, Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
- Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting

6 p.m., Grand View fire station Senior citizens dinner

6 p.m., Rimrock Senior Citizens Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2808

AA meeting

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

Wednesday

El-Ada commodity distribution

11 a.m. to noon, Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main St., Marsing. (208) 337-4812

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

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Dear Brian,

Congratulations on your upcoming wedding! I hope you'll be good to each other and have long, happy lives together.

— Brian

If I woke up in your shoes, I'd go nuts on that house — fix everything that needs fixing, paint and clean the place like crazy. Then, I would put it on the market at a good, aggressive price. If you're lucky, you might find a buyer before the big day.

You're not in a position where you have to give it away, but I'd be willing to sacrifice some money in order to have the hassle out of my life. Forget the cheese, just let me out of the trap, you know?

Even when you love someone,

— Dave

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Sewer, airport hearings held tonight

what looks to be an uneventful

Public hearings start at 7 after council meets

The Homedale City Council will hold three public hearings tonight regarding higher fees.

The 7 p.m. public hearings set to take place at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., pertain to proposed increases in the monthly sewer rate as well as a hike for municipal airport rental fees and the establishment of a development fee for anyone wanting to build a hangar on the acreage being added to the airport's footprint.

The public hearings follow

first meeting of the month for the city council. That meeting begins at 6 p.m., and the agenda includes departmental reports and the discussion of the status of the second council meeting of November, which falls on Thanksgiving this year. The city is looking to increase

the base rate for the sewer usage from \$10.46 monthly to \$20. although a secondary plan could spread the increase over per-gallon usage fees as well, lessening the hit on the base rate.

The increase would create revenue to satisfy the bond requirements on the remaining portion of the city's sewer rehabilitation plan as well as help build a capital improvement fund for future projects.

Homedale still must repair the force main running from the city sewer lines to the treatment lagoons as well as replace crumbling mains within the city system.

One airport public hearing will address a proposed development fee of \$500 per 25 feet of width on a hangar with a minimum required width of 50 feet, making the initial fee for development \$1,000.

The second airport hearing covers a doubling of the rental fee from 2.5 cents per square foot to 5 cents per square foot. The new lease rates would go into effect on Jan. 1 for current and future tenants.

Thank You to **Owyhee County voters** for your support in the Nov. 4 election.



Jim Patrick Idaho House of Representatives, Seat 23A www.votejimpatrick.com

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Chamber talk deals with health services

St. Luke's exec addresses group at noon Thursday

An executive from St. Luke's Health Services will visit the Homedale Chamber of Commerce monthly luncheon Thursday to discuss bringing more healthcare options to the area.

John Kee, St. Luke's vicepresident for physician services, was contacted by District 23B Rep. Stephen Hartgen (R-Twin Falls) after hearing concerns about the availability of medical services in the county when Homedale hosted the Capital for a Day program.

"John has some thoughts on healthcare delivery to Homedale and the western end of the county, and it's a first step as to maybe establishing some additional healthcare services there," Hartgen said.

Hartgen and District 23A Rep. Jim Patrick (R-Twin Falls), both of whom were re-elected to office last week, will be on hand for Thursday's luncheon. The Chamber meets at noon at Owyhee Lanes Restaurant.

Hartgen first met Kee when the latter was chief executive for St. Luke's Magic Valley medical center.

"The main purpose of the meeting is to let John Kee explain to the business community in Homedale what the healthcare opportunities might be," Hartgen said. "And I would hope that the people in the business community would pick up the ball and run with it with respect to continuing to work with St. Luke's, maybe doing the level of necessary study, look at what would be an appropriate level of services and how it would be implemented."

Hartgen said that a St. Luke's clinic wouldn't be in direct competition with any current medical services in Homedale, such as the Terry Reilly Clinic.

"The Terry Reilly Clinic is well-established and well-known throughout Western Idaho," Hartgen said. "I don't think John would see this as competing with that, but establishing another level of service that people are not getting in Owyhee County and would use if it were available."

Join Us

C.J. Strike Wildlife Management Area Open House

Wed, Nov. 19, 3 to 7 p.m. C.J. Strike Wildlife Management Area (WMA) Headquarters 42874 State Highway 78 Bruneau, ID

The C.J. Strike Recreation Area is part of Idaho Power's long-term commitment to responsible management of our water resources, recreation and wildlife habitat, enhancing our quality of life in southern Idaho. Join representatives from Idaho Power, Idaho Fish & Game and the Owyhee County Sheriff's department at the newly opened Wildlife Management Area Headquarters. Learn more about the new headquarters and scheduled improvements in and around the reservoir including recreational enhancements planned across C.J. Strike facilities.

For additional information, contact Lynette Blas at 208-388-2421 or e-mail lblas@idahopower.com.



To reach the WMA take Highway 51 south from **Mountain Home about** 15 miles to the Snake **River at Loveridge** Bridge. Just south of the bridge, Highway 51 joins Highway 78 for a short distance. Follow Highway 51/78 6.5 miles southwest through Bruneau to the second junction of Highways 51 and 78. Then go west another 2.7 miles on Highway 78 to the WMA headquarters.

— JPB

Thank you, voters, from **REP. STEPHEN HARTGEN**

To Twin Falls and Owvhee voters: Thank you for your support and yote of confidence in the Nov. 4 election. I look forward to continuing to serve as your Representative for District 23B. Feel free to contact me at any time.

Rep. Stephen Hartgen Idaho House of Representatives, District 23 B Twin Falls & Owyhee Counties 1681 Wildflower Lane • Twin Falls, Idaho 83301 733-5790 or 420-6761 shartgen@house.idaho.gov or stephen_hartgen@hotmail.com

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District 23 reps visit Homedale this week

Patrick, Hartgen poised to listen to constituents

Now that the election is over, Owyhee County's delegation to the Idaho Legislature can get back to work.

For District 23 House of Representatives members Jim Patrick and Stephen Hartgen, that in-

cludes a visit to Homedale on Thursday. The Twin Falls Repub-



O w y h e e Stephen Hartgen

Lanes Restaurant. But Patrick said the visit to the western side of their legislative district is an opportunity to check in on the concerns of all

constituents, Jim Patrick not just spend

time with area businessmen. "In fact, every time I come down, that's my intention," Patrick said. "As big as the district is,

we have to attend every function we can. We get a lot of e-mails, but people one-on-one will tell you more."

Those concerns include the condition of U.S. Highway 95 between Homedale and its junction with Idaho highway 55 outside Marsing and the burden a growing recreational population puts on emergency services and search and rescue funds.

Patrick, Seat 23A, and Hartgen,

Seat 23B joined state Sen. Bert Brackett from Rogerson to lead a GOP sweep of District 23 in last week's election.

Like Patrick, Hartgen will be looking for constituent feedback Thursday.

"I certainly would be available following the meeting to meet with anybody else in the Chamber or any other citizens about legislative concerns and any issues that they feel I should be aware of ahead of the new session." Hartgen said.

The 2009 Legislative session will be the first for Hartgen, who was appointed to replace Brackett in the House. Hartgen beat Democratic nominee Mike Ihler in the general election. Before appointing Hartgen to the House, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter had tabbed Brackett to succeed the late Tom Gannon in the state Senate. Brackett also won his election against Democrat Bill Chisholm last week.

Both Brackett and Hartgen will be freshmen in their respective legislative chambers come January. Patrick continues his service in Seat 23A after defeating Democrat Peter Rickards on Nov. 4.

Hartgen said visits like Thursday's are crucial for all three lawmakers to monitor the pulse of the district, which covers all of Owyhee County and the western portion of Twin Falls County.

"Jim Patrick and Bert Brackett have been doing the same thing, so between the three of us I think we're going to have some things that we're going to be keeping an eye on, particularly, that would be important to Owyhee County," Hartgen said.

U.S. 95 conditions

Hartgen and Patrick both were emphatic that the crumbling condition of U.S. Highway 95 between Homedale and the road's junction with Idaho highway 55 outside Marsing is something that

must be addressed.

According to Patrick, state officials have said there aren't enough funds and there haven't been enough fatalities to mandate shifting resources into the highway.

"And that's not the issue; it's fairness," Patrick said. "Why should you wait until somebody dies? (U.S. 95 rehabilitation) shouldn't be that far down the list."

Meanwhile, construction continues on major freeway and highway projects in Canvon County.

"Sometimes the squeaky wheel gets the grease," Patrick said. "And we know Canyon County has more squeaks."

But both Patrick and Hartgen are adamant about making sure that Owyhee County gets a chunk of any new highway money appropriated in the 2009 session

"Steve and I made the comment that any funding we vote on has to distribute the money to all highways," Patrick said. "Without infrastructure, there's no commerce and no growth."

Hartgen agreed that the transportation corridor is crucial to bringing growth to the area. He also said that the dire condition of the stretch of road was brought into crisp focus when he and Patrick rode U.S. 95 in a van with Otter in September.

"We had a good example of the problems on the road," Hartgen said. "We got stuck behind a combine and it took up not only our lane but half the other lane and there were trucks coming the other direction.

"And at one point, I was concerned we might be an example of the kind of problems there on the road, to have two legislators and a governor in an accident."

As part of a wider study of the entire U.S. 95 corridor through Idaho, the state department is planning December open houses in Homedale to analyze the needs for U.S. 95. But Hartgen already

has a suggestion for any future work on the road.

"It's evident from driving it, that this section of road needs to be re-engineered," Hartgen said. "It's narrow, there's ditches, farm ground comes right up to the edges (of the roadway), drainage is poor, there's no shoulders. It's very narrow, and it has dips and curves that I think are left over from when the road was originally built. It probably follows the original wagon track from Marsing to Homedale.

"That's not acceptable to me. In today's modern society if we're going to have economic development in our communities, we've got to have a good transportation system and this is a piece of a U.S. highway."

Strained search and rescue

Hartgen also tabbed the concept of generating funds for county search and rescue budgets through ATV license fees as a major issue not only for Owyhee but all rural counties in Idaho. It's not a new idea, but it was quashed during the 2008 Legislature because of a battle between agencies on who should get what portion of the money.

"I understand that there's been a number of fingers that have been trying to get into the pie, but I think those are the things that legislators can work on," Hartgen said.

"So that's an area where I hope to maybe work this winter on and see if we can get that resolved and actually get some funds flowing to law enforcement entities that are doing the work."

The representative said that with the influx of recreationists, particularly with Owyhee County so close to the Treasure Valley, has increased the likelihood of accidents and has increased the pressure on quick response units and the sheriff's office search and rescue.

"Our QRUs and rescue services are not exorbitantly funded by ar th ex

Patrol log

Owyhee County dispatch received a call at 9:43 a.m. Saturday of an elk loose on Edison Road by Honey Lane near Marsing. Deputy Lynn Bowman of Owyhee County Sheriff's Office and Idaho Fish and Game senior conservation officer Craig Mickelson responded. The elk was not a wild one, and its registered owner, Golden Millet, was found and the elk was captured and returned.

A report of the sexual abuse of a two-year-old was made in Marsing at 3:18 p.m. Sunday. An interview was performed, and OCSO is investigating the report. No other details are available.

Homedale police and ambulance responded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of U.S. Highway 95 and South Main Street at 3:41 p.m. on Wednesday.

A black Chevy pickup driven by William Wallace north on U.S. 95, was attempting a left turn onto South Main. The driver turned in front of an oncoming vehicle, a red Geo driven by 38-year-old Eulogio Prado of Homedale.

Prado was transported to West Valley Medical Center with minor injuries.

Both vehicles were heavily damaged. Wallace was cited for failure to yield.

Chief Jeff Eidemiller, who responded to the crash, stressed the importance of staying alert and understanding the blind spots inherent in some vehicles.

"It's a good reminder to everyone that with the new pickups, as high as they sit, that it's getting harder and harder to see these smaller cars, and that drivers have to exercise due caution at intersections," he said.

A Trans-System, Inc., sugar beet truck hit a cow on the evening of Nov. 6 on Idaho highway 78 near Murphy. The truck struck and killed the bovine.

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Honor rolls Homedale Middle School

First quarter Eighth grade Highest honors, 4.0 gradepoint average — Elizabeth Albor, Graviela Albor, Elizabeth Farrell,

Emilee Hann, Reed Maggard, Gabrielle Nash, Veronica Sanchez, Stephanie Villarreal, Derek Hellman, Robert Evans and Cole Twedt

High honors, 3.99-3.5 GPA-Christian Hurtado, 3.86; Samantha Christoffersen, 3.83; Mikel Mavey, 3.83; Mackenzie McMichael, 3.83; Ariana Rice, 3.83; Jordan Brady, 3.83; Mariza Fernandez, 3.8; Nicole Keller, 3.71; Whitney Uria, 3.71; Brenda Uriarte, 3.71; Perla Albor, 3.67; Melissa Borja, 3.67; Hailee Aberasturi, 3.57; Roberto Martinez, 3.57; Rebecca Coffman, 3.57; Alexandra Abbott, 3.57; Kylie Schoonover, 3.57; Kolbie Gerdes, 3.57; Jacob Murray, 3.5; Dayara Gaeta, 3.5; and Rachel Miranda, 3.5

Honors, 3.49-3.0 GPA—Carlos Mendoza, 3.43; Heather Romriell, 3.43; Asia Mestas, 3.43; Mariah Mackie, 3.4; Shelby McRae, 3.33; Corbin Schamber, 3.33; Ana Vasquez, 3.33; Mariela Vega, 3.33; Hayden Krzesnik, 3.29; Shelbie Criffield (Reyes), 3.29; Ramon Kelly, 3.2; Daniel Aguilera, 3.17; Debra Esparza, 3.17; Ruben Lomeli, 3.17; Jacqueline Martinez, 3.17; Malina Geertson, 3.17; Nadine Wright, 3.17; Valeria Garcia, 3.14; Kenneth Harper, 3.14; Mickayla Taggart, 3.14; Gage Love, 3.0; Braxton Morris, 3.0; Antonio Sturgeon, 3.0; Abdiel Camargo, 3.0; Yesenia Reyes, 3.0; Miranda Miklancic, 3.0; Aspen Curtis, 3.0; Leavell Hicks, 3.0; Gene Bush, 3.0; Caitlin Troxel, 3.0; Alfonso Barbosa, 3.0; and Ana Juan, 3.0

Seventh grade

Highest honors, 4.0 GPA — Quincy Hall, Shelby Lee, Esteban Lejardi, Destiny Long, Leslie Albor, Erik Martinez, Edmy Vega, Trey Lane, Lauren Craft, Jedidiah Jones and Noelle Muller

High honors, 3.99-3.5 GPA — Eric Sanchez, 3.86; Kathryn Thatcher, 3.86; Katie Deal, 3.86; Kynna Bertagnolli, 3.83; Cameron Brandhagen, Maggard-Qualls, 3.83; Cheyenne Steinmetz, 3.83; Kaylee Rupp, 3.83; Juliana Hart, 3.83; Angel Cardenas, 3.67; Britt Eubanks, 3.67; Benjamin Cardenas, 3.67; Emylee Obregon, 3.67; Brenda V. Vega, 3.67; Emileen Noblit, 3.67; Lydia Aman, 3.67; Joel Campos, 3.67; Abigail Rice, 3.67; Lizbeth Hurtado, 3.57; Justin Palmer, 3.57; Nathan Leslie, 3.57; Adam Hotchkiss, 3.5; Stephanie Aguilera, 3.5; Lizett Chavez, 3.5; and Brenda S. Vega, 3.5

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Sixth grade

Highest honors, 4.0 GPA — Ismael Fernandez, Victoria Nash, Miguel Salazar, Morgan Nash, Alec Egurrola, Justine Cornwall and Kellie Barraza

High honors, **3.99-3.5 GPA**— Elise Shenk, 3.83; Carlie Purdom, 3.83; Daniel Silva, 3.83; Delaney Phariss, 3.83; Kerigan Morris, 3.67; Sierra Bowman, 3.67; Jennifer Hernandez, 3.57; Paige Pippen, 3.57; Alejandra Almaraz, 3.57; Isabelle Fogg, 3.57; Colton Grimm, 3.5; Bailey Adams, 3.5; and Michelle Castro, 3.5

Honors, 3.49-3.0 GPA — Makenzie Anderson, 3.43; Amos Aguilera, 3.43; McKenna Calzacorta, 3.43; Sarah Dixon, 3.43; Rocio Juan, 3.4; Vanessa Zenor, 3.33; Kyler Landa, 3.33; Brooke Armenta, 3.33; Andrea Marshall, 3.33; Katlin Carbone, 3.33; Quinton Fry, 3.29; Sierra Renteria, 3.29; Erika Miklancic, Jaelynn Dowell, 3.14; Garrett McRae, 3.0; Orrin "Coy" Gardner, 3.0; and Brady Brown, 3.0

Fifth grade

Highest honors, 4.0 GPA — Madison Fisher, Michael Lejardi, Sydnee Shanley, Maya Correa, Nash Johnson, Lawsen Matteson, Raquel Palacios, Matthew Thatcher, Hayden Brattin, Elizabeth Hernandez, Megan Aman, Jennifer Robles, Bryce Hellman, Devon Schoonover, Dylan Burks and Sage Morgan

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Volunteers plant fairgrounds trees

Above: Sharon McIlveen of the Owyhee Gardeners, backhoe operator Brad Kennington of Vance Dairy Construction and fairgrounds maintenance superintendent Leroy Ellis wrestle one of five new trees into the ground at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in October. Below: McIlveen, Kennington and Ellis also received help from Marie Orr, center, and county fair manager/secretary Kelly Hahn.



Donated trees add foliage to fairgrounds

Members of the Owyhee Gardeners and the Homedale community came together last month to plant several trees on the Owyhee County Fairgrounds.

The trees, two ash and three plums, were donated by DuRite Nursery in Meridian. Bonnie and Dennis Christensen loaned the use of their trailer to transport the trees, and Vance Dairy loaned both personnel and equipment to move the trees into position.

Sharon McIlveen, who netted the donation and helped transplant

including DuRite Nursery, Dairyland Seed, Owyhee County Fair manager/secretary Kelly Hahn and maintenance superintendent Leroy Ellis, Marie Orr, Bonnie Christensen, Brad Kennington and Vance Dairy Construction.

When a city crew that intended to help plant the trees was unavailable, Kennington and Vance Construction stepped up.

"We owe him, and Vance, a huge thank you," McIlveen said.

McIlveen hopes the trees will provide added shade for many years at their new locations in the southern portion of the grounds. — MML

Jordan Valley

First quarter High honors 12th grade — Kayla Cuvelier, Emma Johnson, Catie Kershner and Nickie Naegle

11th grade — Bryce Kershner, Brandan Mackenzie and Mattie Wroten

10th grade — Garret Williams Ninth grade — Haley Hebison Eighth grade — Kierstyn Baird and Tyrell Warn

Honors

12th grade — Zac Fillmore, Tessa Matteri, Alek Quintero, Cole Scown and Koehl Trautman

11th grade — Anne-Marie Eiguren, Sonny Mackenzie,

Katrina Moran and Michelle Telleria

10th grade — Ashley Hebison and Shelly Payne

Ninth grade — James Dowell, Meagan Fillmore, Jordan Matteri and Christina Rogers Eighth grade — Tom Nelson

Seventh grade — Ben Telleria and Wyatt Trautman

Let your voice be heard in the Avalanche. Write a letter to the editor the 20-foot tall trees, is president of the Owyhee Gardeners. She expressed thanks to all involved,

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How Owyhee County voted on Nov. 4

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Homedale caps aging water wells

Homedale residents may notice some activity around three old wellheads located in the city; two near the old city hall and one next to U.S. Bank. That activity is the last those wells will see, as they're being shut down for good, Homedale public works supervisor Larry Bauer said.

The project, paid for by a \$17,600 state grant, will close and cap the holes to protect groundwater and ensure that no contaminants can reach the aquifer from seepage into the well bores by surface water. The funding is wholly grant-based, and the wells would likely not have been touched at present without the funding. The project itself started — in its paperwork stages - about a year ago, Bauer said.

"I think it's a good idea," Bauer said of the deactivation of the wells, "but if the DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality) wants it done, they do need to pay for it."

Without the funds, the city would have probably kept the wells as-is and listed as backups, he said.

With the grant money in hand, and Stevens and Sons Well Drilling, Inc., of Boise coming in as low bid on the contract, the wells will be filled with bentonite

(a very fine-grained absorbent clay) and sealed. Environmental regulations require that the wells be closed down in very specific ways, Bauer said, and that is making some extra work for the contractor. Among other things, Stevens and Sons must pull a 100foot section of larger pipe from the well near U.S. Bank.

That plan required workers to cut the pipe below ground, pierce the section with a penetrator device and then yank it out like a gigantic, rusty carrot, assuming all went well.

As happens, the pipe turned out to be decayed to the point that the removal as planned was impossible, Bauer said Monday. What happens next will depend on DEQ recommendations.

The usual routine in sealing a well is to leave the casing in place, slice it open, then force the bentonite in under pressure to fill every cavity in the well's bore, both inside and outside the casing, Bauer explained. The existence of two diameters of pipe in the one well will require more effort on the part of Stevens and Sons, he said, as the DEQ initially desired the larger upper section to be removed, which will no longer be possible given the condition of the pipe.

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ATV riders mark the road Idaho ATV Association president Bill Jones, right, and fellow rider Scott Dickson install a sign. Photo by Mike Roberts

ATV riders put up more mile markers

Three members of the Idaho ATV Association installed the new mileage markers on the Revnolds Creek Road from Idaho highway 78 to the junction of Whiskey Mountain Road in the Reynolds Valley on Oct. 28.

Association president Bill Jones was joined by Scott Dickson and Mike Roberts. The signs used for the work were excess property obtained from the Idaho Division of Highways, according to Jones.

Jones said county road crew cut the signs in half, and he cleaned the signs and painted white letters on them in his garage.

Leftover signposts from political advertisements were bolted to the signs, and the three-man ATV association crew installed the signs on the morning of Oct. 28.

"We, the members of the Idaho ATV Association, spent our own money on coffee and gas, that was the only expense," Jones said. "By doing this, we can give something back to the Owyhee County residents for letting us use their back yard to ride on."

The ATV group put up similar signs earlier this year on Silver City Road, and Jones said the association plans similar projects at later dates.

Jones also is a member of the Owyhee County Recreation Task Force.

Idaho Power project closes C.J. spillway

Fishermen at C.J. Strike Reservoir are without one of the access paths to their favorite fishing holes.

Idaho Power Co., has closed the spillway at C.J. Strike Dam through Nov. 30. The spillway normally is open to foot traffic for anglers.

Crews from Idaho Power, which is in the midst of a major construction project throughout its property at C.J. Strike, will be conducting concrete maintenance work on the spillway during the closure.

According to Idaho Power's C.J. Strike Recreation Area Web page, www.idahopower.com/ riversrec/parksrec/cjstrike.htm, the recreational vehicle area at North Park is closed, but overnight camping is still available below the dam at Scout Park and Locust Park

More information on the construction and how it is affecting the different recreation areas at C.J. Strike will be posted on the site throughout the project, which is expected to last into next year.

An open house outlining the construction is planned for 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. next Wednesday at the C.J. Strike Wildlife Management Area headquarters, 42874 Hwy. 78 in Bruneau.



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THE OC Folks worth knowing in Owyhee County Old engines still rumbling a century on

Bob Ensley finds new life for antique engines

When driving along Idaho Avenue in Homedale, you may notice a collection of vintage machines of mysterious sort at Bob's Owyhee Repair. The compact little engines and archaic machinery — all of it looking like something you might see in the backdrop of a vintage newsreel — are part of owner Bob Ensley's hobby; collecting and refurbishing antique motors. All told, he owns more than 50, his oldest a vintage 1897 engine that celebrated its 111th birthday this year.

The first question someone would probably ask on seeing these fly-wheel-equipped, brassfitted, ornate little engines would be "What were they for?" In fact, they weren't for any single thing. Unlike the modern trend in making a specific engine for a specific job, these little engines were workhorses.

"Back then, there was no power, no Idaho Power," Ensley laughed. "Some of these were used to provide power, some pumped



water, some ran air compressors. They used a flat belt on the pulley back then, as there were no V-belts, so these would adapt to any machine."

They were designed simply as pure, portable horsepower and used in mines, lumber-camps, pump-houses or anywhere people needed power of one sort or another.

Collecting and repairing the motors comes naturally to Ensley.

"I've collected old stuff as long as I can remember," he said while examining the newly painted cart frame for his current project, a nine-horsepower engine that weighs in somewhere in the 1,500-pound range. "Old cars, old anything. I started off buying stuff because it was cheap and I didn't have to worry about it.

"It's a good hobby. It keeps you out of trouble. I can come over on the weekend and tinker on the engines."

Tinkering is a big part of the hobby — along with the fun of hunting down forgotten gems hiding in old barns, sheds, or, in one case, a rock garden.

"I don't like to buy an engine that runs," Ensley admits. Getting something that looks like it's seen its last gasp ("I've seen some engines you'd swear had been used as an anchor," he said) and getting it up and running the way it did 80 or 100 years ago is a big part of the thrill for him.

While Ensley does bargain hunt, he also attends shows throughout the West, looking for projects and additions to his collection. Recently, he attended a show in California, where a rare engine came up for bid.

"It was a 1912 Oldsmobile engine — in addition to making cars they made a very few engines — a very desirable one," Ensley said. He wound up in a bidding war with another buyer on the rarity. "My last bid was \$10,700," he said. "Then he bid \$11,000. I thought about the 10 percent buyer's fee, and the six percent sales tax. I asked him afterwards, and he said he wasn't ready to quit," Ensley laughed. "I told my wife when I got back 'I almost bought you an engine today'."

"That was his first engine," Ensley said of his opponent in the auction. He wondered why someone would buy something that top of the line just starting out—leaving him nothing to look forward to, no "dream machine" to find.

For Ensley, the tinkering and the hunting are the reason for the hobby.

Though having the engines is nice, too.

Antique engine facts

The engines Ensley collects are largely of a type, a single cylinder driving a massive flywheel and a flat belt-driver pulley that allowed the unit to power any one of a wide number of other operations.

Most in his collection are under 10 horsepower or so. That's not to say that larger models never existed. The biggest Ensley knows of was a specially designed single-cylinder engine made for the Ford Motor Co. in its early years. That one-lung special had a flywheel weighing 82 tons that was 20 feet in diameter, driven by a single cylinder four feet wide.

Many of the older engines used points rather than plugs for firing, but it varies from maker to maker and model to model, Ensley said.

While the motors are tough as nails, and he can always work them into shape, their age means a hobbyist fights wear and thousands upon thousands of hours of operation.

"If they were perfect, they'd run like a top," Ensley said. Even



Working on the latest addition

Above: Ensley looks over his current project, a 9-horsepower engine that will need some work before it gets its final coat of paint and is mounted on the scratch-built wagon it is destined for. **Below,** from left: The collector shows off a 4-horsepower engine used to power a yard's long saw blade for cutting timbers; what Ensley described as a pre-OSHA chainsaw. One of the charms of older machinery is the detail and care that went into appearance as well as function, as this brass plate shows.

worn and rattling a bit, though, they'll still grumble along happily. "They'll stand a lot of wear," he said. "They're made to run."

In an era of concern over fuels and fuel costs, some of the old engines are interesting. More than one use a multi-fuel carburetor, with lines for gasoline, kerosene ... and water.

As Ensley explained, the motor would be fired up running gaso-

line. Once it was hot, the system would switch to cheaper kerosene, and the water was an option to add a few drops if the system began to run too hot. Others ran on natural gas, naptha, and other fuels.

Having a universal source of power, that can burn a variety of fuels, begins to look pretty savvy in a world where gas has become ever more expensive.

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Malheur County, which saw a whopping 82 percent voter turnout according to current numbers, went heavily Republican.

Sheriff Andrew Bentz won in a solo race, with 8,270 votes.

In city positions, Adrian elected Mike Heller, Vincent P. Bingham and Keith L. Baldwin to city council seats. Jordan Valley re-elected Jake Roe for a third term as Mayor, and filled three open city council positions, though names were not available at press time.

Presidential results in Malheur were 7,099 for Republican nominee John McCain, 2,922 for Democrat Barack Obama. Statewide, Obama won 56.63 percent of voters, McCain, 40.58 percent.

In county results for the Senate race, Republican Gordon Smith

beat Democratic challenger Jeff Merkley by almost the same margin, 7,299 to 2,198. Statewide, though, Merkley won, with 48.76 percent of the vote.

For Congressional Second District representative, Malheur County voters supported the GOP's Greg Walden 7,537 to 1,981 over Noah Lemas, echoing district numbers in Walden's re-election.

Democratic candidate and state Sen. Kate Brown won Secretary of State, edging Republican Rick Dancer, former news anchorman, in state results. Malheur voters preferred Dancer almost 3-to-1.

In the State Treasurer's race, Democratic challenger Ben Westlund defeated Republican candidate Allen Alley. Alley beat Westlund 6,383 to 2,794 at the county ballot box.

John R. Kroger, Democratic candidate for State Attorney General, ran without a Republican opponent, and won both Malheur County and the state at large.

At the final statewide count, measures were as follows:

Measure No. 54 Standardizes voting eligibility for school board elections. Yes: 1,102,986 (72.62%)

State Ballot Measure No. 55 Allows legislators to finish term in original district. Yes: 1,156,446 (77.47%)

State Ballot Measure No. 56 Property tax elections decided by majority of voters voting. Yes: 883,504 (56.48%).

State Ballot Measure No. 57 Increases sentences for drug trafpeat property and ID theft crimes; requires addiction treatment for certain offenders. **Yes: 978,158** (61.43%).

State Ballot Measure No. 58 Prohibits teaching public school in language other than English for more than two years. No: 886,310 (55.38%)

State Ballot Measure No. 59 Unlimited deduction for federal income taxes on individual Oregon returns. No 984,343 (62.71%). State Ballot Measure No. 60 Teacher performance, not seniority, determines pay raises. No: 971,619 (60.38%)

State Ballot Measure No. 61 Minimum prison sentences for certain theft, identity theft, forgery, drug, and burglary crimes. No: 806,789 (50.36%).

State Ballot Measure No. 62 Allocates 15% of lottery proceeds to public safety fund for crime prevention, investigation, prosecution. No: 939,354 (59.52%)

State Ballot Measure No. 63 Exempts some property owners from building permits for improvements valued at/under 35,000 dollars. No: 857,265 (54.20%)

State Ballot Measure No. 64 Penalizes person, entity for using funds collected with "public resource" for "political purpose". No: 788,041 (50.52%)

State Ballot Measure No. 65 Changes general election nomination processes for major/minor party, independent candidates for most partisan offices. No: 989,171 (65.94%)

Avalanche Sports

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2008

Lady Huskies have new handler at helm

Team sees big numbers turn out for squad

The Marsing High School girls' basketball team has a new head coach, and one who knows the game, and the area, very well.

Gloria King is a graduate of Homedale High School and Treasure Valley Community College, and played for both. This season will be her first with Marsing, and her first as a head coach. It's her third year of coaching, though, having been in the assistant coach's shoes in Melba for the last two years, one of those with the varsity squad.

She has a big squad to cherrypick from, something that is always an advantage in basketball. In total, 38 came out for the program.

"That's as many as come out in bigger schools like Homedale or Melba," King noted. She reluctantly had to cut two potential players, just due to the huge turnout.

The experience of returners will be a huge asset, as well, with eight seniors, she said.

At 21, King may be the youngest varsity coach in Idaho; something that may pay dividends in unexpected ways.

"At first I think I came across like a buddy," King said of her first time on the floor with the players. "Then on the first day of practice I raised my voice and got their attention, and there was a reckoning." Being young helps with identification with player concerns, she said. "I can relate to them. It wasn't that long ago that I was playing my junior and

senior varsity basketball." Veteran Melba High School coach Larry Lincoln paid her a visit recently.

"He told me to keep my chin up, and that everyone else should be afraid," King said with a laugh.

Her primary intent in her first year with the program is straightforward.

"My number one goal here is to have a better record than we had last season," she said. With the athletes she has, she starts off with a good chance to do just that. "There's so much potential in town ... there's not much more I could ask for," King said.

King, as a coach in the 2A Western Idaho Conference last year, feels she knows just what and who the team will face, and is positive the Huskies have the potential they need. The team's spirit is another positive, in King's eyes

"They're all characters. I love that," she said.

"We should be able to match up and beat any team that comes our way," she said. Past that, she'd like to see a State appearance.

"Every coach wants to go to State. We have the potential and the talent, we just need to put it all together and polish it."

That polishing is King's first target in preseason practice.

"There are basics needed," she said. "They all have the willingness to attempt something new ... they're all happy to try the change and do what I ask, and that's a great advantage."

King's background is pure hoops. She has played since fourth grade, played with the Homedale Trojans and TVCC, has a major in physical education and loves coaching.

"I play post and love it," she said "I always wanted to play point guard, but was too tall." Against the big players in collegiate ball, she was willing to use her elbows to her advantage. "I think I held

my own," she grinned. How she'll hold up against the other coaches in the 2A WIC, time will tell.

"I'm looking forward to playing Melba. I just have to make sure I don't get excited and give them any advice," she said.

— MML



Huskies hoops hits the floor running

With a new head coach, Gloria King (above) at the helm, a veteran Marsing squad (below) is readying itself for its first home match against Payette on Tuesday.



Trojans' winter teams tackle new tests

Girls' basketball opens another

is against Weiser nine days before Greater Oregon League. the district tournament. Also on Homedale plays host to La The Trojans travel to Wendell

travels to the Oregon school on Tuesday, Jan. 6. Stayton edged The Tigers, 29-27, in the first round of the 4A Oregon state playoffs last year.

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the docket is a conference dual Grande on Friday. Dec. 12 then on Friday. Dec. 5 and play host to the team - also nicknamed the Trojans — on Friday, Jan. 2. Wendell is a member of District IV's Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference. Although playing in the 3A level in 2008-09, Wendell made an appearance in the 2005 2A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament, losing to eventual state champion Malad in the semifinals. Homedale takes a trip to Vale, ironically from whence their coach commutes for practice and games, on Saturday, Dec. 13. The Vikings hail from the 3A Eastern Oregon League and lost in the first round of the Oregon state playoffs a year ago. Westside Christian knocked off Vale, 69-57.

Red Devils end Adrian's season Antelopes can't

hang on to early lead in playoffs

Blake Ishida played a part in three touchdowns Friday, but Adrian High School's football team couldn't pull off a comeback in its 1A Oregon football state playoffs opener.

The senior quarterback completed 15 of 32 passes for 267 yards and the bulk of the Antelopes' offensive production, but host Lowell rode off with a 46-28 victory.

Adrian (6-3 overall) owned an 8-6 lead on Kyle Dondero's nine-yard run and JJ Stephens. PAT scamper, but coach Paul Shenk's squad could never get closer than two points the rest of the game.

Ishida fired a 12-yard scoring pass to George Ellsworth in the third quarter to get Adrian to within four points, 26-22, but the Red Devils scored three consecutive touchdowns to take control.

Lowell had just two more first downs and outgained the Antelopes by just 52 yards (378-326) in total offense.

For the Red Devils, Daniel Casarze racked up 139 yards and three touchdowns rushing, and Zac Cartwell, who scored three touchdowns - one on a pass from Casarze - and gained 104 yards on the ground. While ball control was fairly clean with each team losing a fumble, the squads combined for 25 penalties for 219 yards in loss. Lowell was flagged 15 times for 129 yards. Lowell, the District 5's top seed, takes on Perrydale this weekend in the state quarterfinals. In other games featuring High Desert League teams, regular-season champ Crane crushed Gilchrist, 58-8, and runner-up Jordan Valley fell to Joseph, 50-16, on the road.

season Tuesday

Homedale High School's wrestling team will get home-mat advantage for this year's district tournament.

According to winter schedules approved last week by the Homedale School District Board of Trustees, coach Toby Johnson's squad will play host to the 3A District III Championships on Saturday, Feb. 21.

It's the last of five home dates for Homedale, which starts the season by entertaining Bishop Kelly of Boise in a non-conference dual on Wednesday, Dec. 10.

The Trojans' final home meet

against Payette on Tuesday, Jan. 13, and the Homedale Team Duals meet on Saturday, Jan. 31.

A couple of new challenges await the Homedale basketball teams when the season begins later this year.

The Trojans girls' basketball teams will jump into the fray first, with a road game at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday against Parma.

Coach Jeremy Chamberlain starts his second year as girls' coach.

The Trojans' schedule features nearly the same opponents as a year ago with one exception: Homedale will play a homeand-home non-conference series against La Grande, Ore., of the 4A

Kenny Thomas' boys' basketball team gets set for the season beginning with the first day of practice on Friday.

Like the girls' squad, the Trojans boys open the season against Parma, entertaining the Panthers from the 2A Western Idaho Conference at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 4.

In another similarity to the girls' team, Thomas has added a new wrinkle to the schedule: Homedale faces non-conference tests against Wendell and Vale,

Mustangs' last game sees Joseph put an end to State hopes, see photo page 16



HMS grapplers open with wins

Homedale Middle School wrestlers started the season in a big way on Friday, racking up 15 wins and giving up just five losses in a tri-meet hosted by Weiser and also featuring Payette Lakes from McCall.

Trojans wrestlers trumped Weiser, winning 12 of 18 matches, and going 3-1 against McCall.

Homedale will travel to Fruitland on Wednesday and will face Weiser yet again.

Wrestlers will have just two

days to recuperate, as they'll head back to Weiser for the Weiser Invitational on Saturday.

Hometown fans can watch the team in action on Monday, when Homedale plays host to both Ontario and Fruitland, at 4:15 p.m.

Fish and Game proposes fee increases

Idaho Fish and Game are proposing higher fees to the 2009 Legislature in hopes of adding \$7 million in funds for the department.

The increases would not be a flat, across-the-board rise. The hikes would be greater on some trophy hunts and tags, less on others.

"Under this proposal, 'highquality' hunting and fishing opportunities would cost more than general opportunities," the Fish and Game announced in a release. "For example, hunting for trophy bull elk would cost more than hunting for an antlerless elk."

Using the example given, the proposed fee schedule would hike antlerless elk A tags from \$29 to \$32 for residents, and \$370.75 to \$415 for non-residents.

A basic resident fishing license fee will rise from \$24 to \$27.75, while a non-resident license will increase from \$80.25 to \$96.50. Steelhead and salmon, also considered premium game, would increase in a similar manner, with permits going from \$11 to \$18 for residents, and \$11 to \$24 for nonresidents.

The biggest jump (in terms of percentage of price increase) on any one category of tag was on

predators: Gray wolves (upon which there may or may not be a season based on the fate of the animal's federal Endangered Species Act status), bears and mountain lions. The tags for all three would go from \$9.75 to \$18 for residents, and \$150 to \$184.25 for out-ofstate hunters if the proposal passes into law.

A resident's basic fishing-hunting combination license would rise by \$3.50.

Fish and Game's release states that the increase would net the department about \$7 million annually, with 80 percent of the money going to serve existing programs.



Boys basketball Varsity Thursday, Dec. 4, home vs. Parma, 7:30 p.m. Junior varsity Thursday, Dec. 4, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m. Freshman Thursday, Dec. 4, home vs. Parma, 4:45 p.m.

Girls basketball Varsity Tuesday, Nov. 18 at Parma, 7:30 p.m. Junior varsity Tuesday, Nov. 18 at Parma, 6 p.m. Freshman Tuesday, Nov. 18 at Parma, 4:45 p.m.









Seasons end for Mustangs, Antelopes

Jordan Valley senior Zac Fillmore pulls in a touchdown pass at Joseph, Ore., on Saturday. The Mustangs couldn't find success and fell, 50-16, to the Eagles in an opening-round game of the 1A Oregon state playoffs.

Following last week's head-to-head matchup, both Jordan Valley and Adrian football teams headed into 1A Oregon State competition, and both came up against tough opponents who sent them home. Jordan Valley faced Joseph on Saturday, and fell to the Eagles 50-16, while Adrian met Lowell on Friday, but lost 46-28.



Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

November 16, 1983

Council reviews personnel plan for employees

Homedale city employees may have their first-ever personnel policy before the year is out.

The proposed policy, which was reviewed by members of the City Council last Wednesday, is tentatively scheduled for consideration during next month's meeting.

Presented to the city by Councilman Larry Bauer, the proposed policy provides for paid legal holidays, an earned vacation schedule, compensation time regulations and a sick leave procedure, as well as guidelines for both bereavement and maternity leaves.

COUNCILMAN Bauer, whose council responsibilities include the City Service Department and the City Police Department, told officials that he had reviewed a number of personnel policies from other municipalities before drafting the Homedale proposal. Urging the Council to "hash it over," Bauer said that his intent was to have the policy take effect immediately upon adoption.

Mayor George Murray polled the city's department heads during the meeting for reaction to the personnel proposal.

"If it's up to us, we're all for it," said Paul Pearson, city superintendent

"I do think we need something ... we haven't had anything ... at least this is something to fall back on," he continued.

Police Chief Allen Bidwell expressed concern over the proposed policy's compensation time guidelines, but also indicated the current no-policy situation made shift scheduling in the department a serious problem.

Homedale in dog-days dilemma

Homedale is in a dog-days dilemma, again.

And, as in past years, the Homedale City Council is turning to the city Police Department for a solution.

Without taking official action last week, the City Council informally gave Chief Allen Bidwell the go ahead to develop some form of animal control plan.

"I'LL HAVE to come up with some facts and figures," Chief Bidwell told The Owyhee Chronicle. "We know we have a problem and we've had it for a long time."

During last Wednesday's council meeting, the chief told council members that his department had impounded 85 dogs so far this year with about two months remaining on the calendar.

Last year's impoundment figure stands at 100 dogs, according to Chief Bidwell, who reminded the council that the city has no animal control officer and hence must rely on police officers who face a "priority problem" on law enforcement duties.

Bidwell estimated that the dog population of Homedale is about 600 and acknowledged that dog licenses under the city's leash law do not reflect that figure.

"IT'S ALWAYS a real problem this time of year because so many summertime pets are abandoned for the winter," Bidwell told The Owyhee Chronicle. The city has an arrangement with Bill Cegnar of the Owyhee Veterinary Clinic for impoundment of stray, abandoned and unlicensed dogs, according to Bidwell.

50 years ago

November 13, 1958

Improvement of road signs promised by state at chamber of commerce meet

Two members of the state highway department, G. M. Mathison, district engineer, and E. L. Mathis, planning and traffic engineer, met with the Homedale chamber of commerce at its regular monthly meeting Monday noon at the El Gavilan.

Mr. Mathison said no plans to re-route highway 95 in the vicinity of Homedale were being made at present. The section from Wilder to Parma will be let for bids next year.

A new bridge across the Snake river, and new approaches to Homedale on both sides of the river, to reduce curves and eliminate jogging will probably be a part of any future plan to improve the highway when money is available, he declared.

Mr. Mathis said the highway destination sign at the highway 95 junction south of Homedale will be corrected to include Homedale.

He also discussed possible distance signs to Homedale on state highway 72 south of Huston and on highways US 20 and US 30 near Nampa and Caldwell. Lighting the Homedale bridge was also discussed, as well as historical markers and highway viewpoints and roadside turnouts.

Sugar beet harvest nears completion, with yield high

Sugar beet harvesting is nearly completed, according to Norman Tolmie, Amalgamated Sugar Beet company field man. He stated that the remaining 140 acres of beets, amounting to about 4,000 tons, should be completed at the end of the week.

Approximately 60,000 tons have already been piled in two separate piles at the dump and about 200 cars of beets have been shipped out from the Napton Siding dump west of town, which closed down Wednesday.

Beets are averaging about 26 tons to the acre in yield, amounting to better than one ton to the acre in yield over last year, Mr. Tolmie concluded.

Working on the beet dump crew this year with Les Carpenter in charge are Rodger Nash, tare man, assisted by Ish Vance; Richard Hausauer, pile man; Pete Phillips, dirt man; Jim Thomas, chain hooker; and Mrs. Clyde Stewart, truck weigher.

The Napton Siding crew included Joe Klinchuch, Robert Frye, Bill Robinson, Dick Shenk, Bob Ferguson, and Pat Slack, who weighed the trucks.

Eason reelected American Legion commander

Johnny Eason was re-elected commander of the local American Legion post at their meeting last Wednesday night at the Legion hall.

Other officers elected were Jack Sherbert, vice commander; Dave Phelps, second vice commander; Ross Evans, adjutant; Joe Eiguren, finance officer; Bert Adams, historian; Harry Burr, executive officer; F. E. Dazey, chaplain; Manford Logan, sergeant at arms; and Jim Toston, service officer.

140 years ago

November 7, 1868

THE NEW ROAD TO IDAHO. We learn from H. Woodworth, who runs a fast freight line from Winnemucca to Silver City, Idaho, that the company opening a new road from that place to tap the railroad some twenty miles above the town of Winnemucca, has a large force of men at work and expect to complete the road before winter sets in. This road, Mr. Woodworth thinks, will effect a saving of over one hundred miles over the present traveled route. He is now running over a part of the new roads as he leaves the stage road at Camp McDermitt and crosses to the new one, thereby effecting a saving in distance of about fifty miles. Some doubts have been expressed as to the feasibility of making a winter road over the mountainous region of country extending from Flint district to the Humboldt river. Mr. W. assures us that with the exception of the mountain between Flint and Silver City there will be no difficulty in making a road good at all season of the year. Humboldt Register.

REMARKABLE PERFORMANCE. It was announced on Sunday last, that Mons. De. Heunce, a celebrated acrobat, who sports one wooden leg, was to walk a tight rope stretched across Washington Street, at an elevation of thirty feet, from the City Hotel to Grete's Bakery. At the hour appointed crowds flocked to the locality named, to witness the performance: windows, house-tops, and every conceivable perch were pressed into service. After circulating amongst the crowd for the purpose of collecting some currency, the wooden leg Monsieur fearlessly stepped out on the rope and made his way to the center, where a light stove was handed up to him, in which he made a fire and cooked, "a bite to eat" to the great amusement of the auditors and the inexpressibly spontaneous delight of Maj. Brooks. After which he finished his journey amid the plaudits of the crowds.

MAN HURT. A teamster named Clark Colvig, driving one of Creighton's ten mule teams, was on last Sunday morning badly hurt, near the tollgate below Ruby. The team, wagon and all were thrown off the grade, three of the mules and one of the wagons sustained damages. The man is under Dr. Webber's charge at the Idaho Hotel and is, we learn, convalescent.

VALEDICTORY. Our connection with the Owyhee Avalanche has ceased, and with this number we bid our readers adieu. We have sold the establishment to Mr. John McGonigle. He is a gentleman of ability and experience in the newspaper business and will not fail to give full value to his patrons. As he is well known here, it is unnecessary to say more. Peculiarly we wish him unbounded success.

Upon assuming proprietorship of the Avalanche fifteen months ago, the prospect was anything but encouraging. Business of almost every description was in a prostrate condition, consequent upon financial failures of the previous autumn and winter. But our faith remained unshaken in the bright future of Owyhee, believing it to be the richest and most promising mining locality in the world, and recent developments have shown the correctness of our views. We leave the paper in a prosperous condition; it has a fair circulation and the advertising patronage will speak for itself. Eschewing political and partisan strife, it has been our earnest endeavor to furnish a live local newspaper that would faithfully represent and reflect credit on this portion of Idaho. How far we have succeeded our readers must judge. We now propose to take a rest, but, at the same time, quit the publication reluctantly; for Owyhee seems like home and we have many esteemed friends here with whom we are loth to part — such is life — but, wherever our future lot may be cast, our thoughts will always revert with pleasure to Owyhee and its associations will be cherished among the fondest memories of years agone.

Computer age coming to Homedale City Hall

The computer age is coming to Homedale's City Hall. This week, Richard Huddleston of rural Homedale, a representative for the House of Computers in Ontario, will be examining the city clerk's office in preparation for the advent of high technology.

Huddleson's firm has been awarded an \$8,110 contract to install a Zenith Data Systems computer operation in the city clerk's office.

F & G update

Regular deer season ended last Sunday with a good harvest at unit 42 at Juniper Mountain during the last few days of the season.

Homedale locals

Mrs. Hattie Pierce and grandchildren visited Sunday with her sister-in-law Mrs. Pearl Percy. Also visiting Mrs. Percy were her sons and families Leslie Percys of Caldwell and Clark Percys, Mrs. John Munson, Caldwell, and Mrs. Lena Stutheit, Wilder and son Fred Stutheit.

Leaving last week on an elk hunting trip were Chuck Yost, Bill Marston, Seth Tarr, Keith Eachus, and Chuck Naftzger. Ora Friel joined them over the week end and brought out some game.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Townsend and daughter Mrs. Joyce Ford, Nampa, spent last Thursday at Grand View where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Don Townsend and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matteson and daughter visited at Marsing Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ike Cortabitarte.

Commentar

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense

Breadbasket landscape

Every artist has to paint a landscape now and then. Fall in the heartland is a season of ripening. As I negotiate my way across the canvas there is a feeling that the air is heavier. No breeze, a clear light blue sky and nothing to stop the atmosphere from pressing down on the dark musky soil.

Elderberry bushes hang their purple fruit over fence wire. Giant hardwood trees thick with shadows cast black shade in creek bottoms. Kudzu covers corpses of trees, its smothering vines turning them into ominous figures wearing dark hoods and capes.

A raccoon dead on the highway, a wary whitetail, a skein of geese crossing my trajectory, all appear at the edge of my vision as I roll by. Ponds still as molten lead, algae claiming the fringes. The occasional tractor putts along as if farmers were sending players onto the field before the game starts. Grape-shaped political faces ripening on signs remind us of the season.

Then you pass through a tunnel of shady creek bottom and run up against an army of cornstalks en mass, a wall that towers over you. On top, you continue alongside mile after mile of battalions, divisions, plateaus of corn stalks, shoulder to shoulder, in tight formation. They stand at attention up against the road as precipitous as Manhattan skyscrapers at the edge of the water.

The landscape becomes patched with huge tracts of corn stubble as even as a boot camp haircut. Interspersed are fields of the quiet elephant of the food chain, soybeans. Lush and penetrating green when growing, they do not age attractively. The yellow comes. Not the pretty yellow of aspen trees but a more sickly, banana-peel yellow. In this season of harvest, they look like weeds. Yet one only has to peel the pod to see the small perfect light gold round seeds. Joined together by the trillions these seeds form the foundation for America's and much of the world's daily bread.

The rolling hills often limit the vast agricultural horizon until you pass through a glacial valley or river bottom, and the distance opens up and you see fields and trees, hazy through the heavy air. It could be the day before D Day As soon as tomorrow the game will begin. Then the roar of trucks, combines, machinery, the buzz of activity, and a sense of urgency will replace the gestational quietude. The smell of dust, chaff, rubber tires, diesel, oil and gas, even ethanol, will fill the air that zephyrs the roadside as grain bearing semis fly by! Everything seems to be in anticipation of the moment the farmer strips the corn cob, bites a kernel, looks at the sky, kicks the soil and says, "It's time." If you ever wonder where food comes from, one trip through the heart of the country when it's ripening will paint you a picture of America's pregnant horn of plenty. Think of us when you eat ... we think of you when we farm Can't get enough Baxter? Visit his Web site at www. baxterblack.com for more features, merchandise and his new book, "The World According to ... Baxter Black Quips, Quirks & Quotes".



Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington Thank a veteran for the freedoms of democracy

"On that day let us solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly, on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom ... In order to insure proper and widespread observance of this anniversary, all veterans, all veterans 'organizations, and the entire citizenry will wish to join hands in the common — President Dwight D. Eisenhower purpose."

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier; simple, white headstones blanketing the Arlington hills on the banks of the Potomac; similar headstones high on a hill overlooking the Treasure Valley; unmarked graves on distant shores; men and women you hurry past in the mall or at the store; a friend from church; residents in a Veterans' Home; a neighbor or family member; a fellow college student, perhaps in a wheelchair — all of them, men and women who have defended our freedom with honor, dignity and a belief in something larger than themselves.

Veterans Day came seven days after an election that could break voter turnout records across the nation. Our sense of what our country stands for and in what direction our future lies is the topic of many conversations at work, school, on the phone, at the dinner table and online. The issues are complex, and consequences of actions farreaching. Opinions vary widely, but one thing remains constant — we are all Americans with, in the words of President Eisenhower, a heritage of freedom to support and defend. Whether it is the current conflicts, or wars long since chronicled in history books, a visit to the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery or cemeteries elsewhere, or to the history book of your own family reveal freedom's protectors - brave souls passed on. A Thanksgiving dinner, church service, walk through the neighborhood or even a day at work, leads to encounters with freedom's protectors, the wars behind them, but the memories often fresh.

A number of veterans have shared remarkable stories with me over the years. Those I visit with are united in their sense of honor and privilege earned in service to our nation that they love. That seems to bind them together as much as shared stories of military service.

I am exceedingly grateful for the service and sacrifice of our military. These men and women are the reason why we can disagree so vociferously during a campaign season and not fear physical harm and retribution. Our nation remains free and our borders, uncompromised, precisely because men and women offered life and limb to ensure that we were and continue to be a sovereign nation. They stood with weapons at the ready in other lands, so that we can walk to the polls down the street. They engaged in deadly firefights so that we can express, without fear, our support or rejection of government, belief systems and individuals. They encountered their mortality and, while death took some, many more returned from that perilous meeting, so that we could hear the voices and see, once more, the faces of freedom - our freedom.

We are the United States of America. We are in this world for a reason. We stand against tyranny. We stand for liberty and freedom. We stand for equality. We will defend this proud and extraordinary heritage — this is the solemn duty that our veterans undertook, at all costs. "Join in common purpose" to seek out and thank a veteran for your precious American heritage.

Wayne Cornell is on vacation. His column will return next week.

Frank Priestley — Idaho Farm Bureau president

Voice of Idaho ag Idaho must heed California crisis and bolster water supply before it's too late

A drought that's lasted only two years is creating serious endangered fish, the smelt. Sound familiar? problems in this nation's most populous state. And other Western states, including Idaho, had better take notice of the simple fact that if we don't increase water storage we are

To sum up California's problem, the state ranks No. 1 in population with more than 37 million people and No. 1 in value of agricultural output at \$36.6 billion in 2007. At the present time, there's not enough water to supply both of those demands. So water managers' options include first, pray for rain and make plans to dry up farm land, and second ration water to cities and encourage people to conserve, by limiting lawn watering and other activities.

putting our food supply and our economy in jeopardy.

If the drought in California continues until spring, water officials there are planning to ration municipal water deliveries and dry up as much as 200,000 acres of farm land. Compounding California's problem is a recent federal court ruling that limits pumping of water out of the Sacramento / San Joaquin Delta in order to protect an

— See Water, page 19

Letter to the editor

Thanks to Sheriff Aman, posse for dedication and service

We would like to take this means to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to Sheriff Gary Aman for all his years of dedicated public service to the people throughout Owyhee County.

You have served the public well. You have been a man of honor and integrity. We are proud of you.

We also want to thank the members of the Owyhee

County Sheriff's Posse for your personal sacrifice of time and expense. Several lives have been saved because of your dedicated service to the sheriff's office and the county. Dave Downum

Homedale

Commentary

Accuracy In Media The bankruptcy of the nation and conservatism

by Cliff Kincaid

A lot will be said and written about the presidential election, but one central fact remains: John McCain was ahead in the polls until the financial crisis emerged and President Bush was pushed by Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson into seeking a \$700 billion Wall Street bailout on Sept. 18. The crisis benefited Barack Obama, even though he voted for the bailout, because he was not a Republican, like McCain or Bush. Republicans were blamed because a Republican was in the White House.

The exit polls on Nov. 4 still found the public opposed to the bailout by a 56-39 percent margin.

The panic around mid-September infected the conservative media, especially Fox News, which became a soapbox for the bailout that now exceeds \$1.8 trillion. But rather than bail out or "rescue" anything, the hastily passed measure, ironically named the "Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008," started a process that now threatens national bankruptcy.

Because Wall Street has gotten its bailout, the Democrats figure that they can now spend even more, supposedly to benefit Main Street - which means spending and debt will get even more out of control and more socialist measures, this time under President Obama, will be taken.

The Global Europe Anticipation Bulletin, which predicted the current financial crisis, is warning that the U.S. government will default on its debts by the summer of 2009 and that the "unfolding implosion" of the U.S. economy will result in the dramatic decline of America as a world power.

This is not a natural disaster, like a hurricane or earthquake. It has been brought about by reckless decisions made by people on Wall Street and in the federal government, including Congress. It was man-made, and President Bush clearly deserves much of the blame. But why aren't the media demanding accountability for how the Bush administration and the Congress permitted the nation to come to this point?

Incredibly, we still know very little about what happened behind closed administration doors. Rep. Scott Garrett (R-N.J.) is one member of Congress who wants some answers from the Bush White House. One White House official simply shrugged his shoulders when asked him how this crisis just happened to emerge six weeks before the election. Either they don't know or don't care to know. Either way, it borders on criminal negligence.

We do know that the powerful pro-China investment banking firm of Goldman Sachs, which backed Obama and the Democratic Party, has its fingerprints all over this debacle. Not surprisingly, the firm now benefits (so far to the tune of \$10 billion) from the "rescue" package forced through Congress by its former chairman, Henry Paulson, and even got \$5 billion from Obama booster Warren Buffett.

The secretive financial hedge funds, such as those run by John A. Paulson and George Soros, who made \$3.7 billion and \$2.9 billion in 2007, respectively, also deserve

the Republicans "to start elevating the new generation of reformers - folks like Virginia Rep. Eric Cantor or Wisconsin's Paul Ryan" in the House. She called them intellectuals, never mentioning the fact that they backed the Wall Street bailout that her colleague, Stephen Moore of the Journal's editorial page, now admits was a big mistake. "I want to apologize," Moore said. "I drank the Kool-aid."

Cantor and Ryan, a member of the House Budget Committee, were good conservatives until they drank the Kool-aid and backed the bailout. Now they have lost their credibility on fiscal issues.

Of course, there were a lot of Kool-aid drinkers in Congress, including House Minority Leader John Boehner of Ohio, Minority Whip Roy Blunt of Missouri, Cantor, and House Republican Conference Chairman Adam Putnam of Florida. However, in the end, most House Republicans opposed the bailout, objecting to its socialist nature and questioning whether it would even work. By any objective measure, they were right. It hasn't "stabilized" anything.

This is critical to note: all of the House Republican leaders, including Cantor, Putnam, Blunt, and Boehner, supported the bailout. But they couldn't get a majority of House Republicans to support them.

Putnam has now resigned as chairman of the House Republican Conference, and Rep. Jeb Hensarling of Texas, the chairman of the conservative Republican Study Committee who opposed the bailout, will run for that post.

Blunt may resign, and Cantor is said to want that post. Boehner says he will seek to remain in his position. On the Senate side, Republican Leader Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky not only voted for the bailout but ran for re-election on a platform of bringing home the federal pork to his constituents. He has also lost his credibility on spending issues.

In desperation, conservative radio talk-show host Laura Ingraham touts former House Speaker Newt Gingrich as a source of new ideas. But he is hardly a profile in courage. Gingrich was against the bailout plan until, on Sept. 29, he issued a statement in favor of it. Then, in an article for Human Events on Oct. 7, he called it "bad" and stated, "If Senator McCain is not prepared to separate himself from the Bush-Paulson economic program, he has no opportunity to win. The country is deeply fed up with the Bush presidency and angry about the Paulson bailout."

Before it became fashionable to advocate more oil drilling, Gingrich was appearing with House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) in an Al Gore-financed global warming ad. Until gas prices started rising, Gingrich had been an advocate of "green conservatism" and was proposing a Gore-like "Contract with the Earth."

In addition to his flip-flops, Gingrich has a well-known history of personal "indiscretions" that should disqualify him from any public role in a movement that purports to advocate traditional moral values.

Rep. Thaddeus McCotter (R-Mich.), who called the ballout "Fleece in our time," is beginning to receive more Meanwhile, even before the election results were in, and more attention. He is the chairman of the House Kimberly A. Strassel of the Wall Street Journal was urging Republican Conference Policy Committee, the principal can be contacted at cliff.kincaid@aim.org.

source of legislative initiatives for the party in the House. He won re-election in part because he came across as a leader in a revolt by House conservatives against Bush and Paulson over the bailout plan.

In a discussion with a local newspaper, McCotter was blunt, alluding to McCain's double talk when he suspended his campaign to come to Washington to address the financial crisis. "McCain put himself in an interesting position," McCotter said. "At the White House meeting, he said he liked what House Republicans were doing. Then the next day, he decided it was his job to get House Republicans to support the bailout."

This erratic performance meant that McCain had blown any chance to exploit the financial crisis to his political advantage.

McCotter noted that it was a lot harder for McCain to complain about \$70 billion in earmarks when he pushed for a \$700 billion bailout. This sealed McCain's fate, making his warnings about Obama's socialism ring hollow.

Remaining true to his constituents and his own beliefs, McCotter rejected the notion that we need "just a little socialism to prevent a lot of socialism later" and said Republicans "abandoned principle for expediency" when they supported the bailout.

The same goes for the faux conservatives in the media.

Having recommended two phony "fiscal conservatives" for important positions in the House, Strassel also used her column to urge Republicans to quit "harping on immigrants and gay marriage." The term "harping on immigrants" means that she believes that Big Business should be able to continue to exploit cheap labor from abroad and conservatives ought to quit advocating secure borders.

As far as gay marriage is concerned, amendments to prohibit gay marriage passed in liberal California, Arizona and Florida on Nov. 4. This is one of the bright spots for conservatives. But Strassel wants to throw this advantage away

One thing that I have realized, in analyzing the coverage of the campaign, is that the media are populated by many "conservatives" who are not really so conservative. It is a strange phenomenon. It is a form of false advertising.

This category includes the Fox News cheerleaders for the Wall Street bailout, such as Bill Kristol, Fred Barnes, Charles Krauthammer and Bill O'Reilly, and columnists David Brooks (New York Times), Peggy Noonan (Wall Street Journal) and Kathleen Parker (Washington Post Writers Group), who ridiculed Sarah Palin because she doesn't enjoy the New York Times and appeals to ordinary people.

I am also getting tired of listening to former Bush adviser Karl Rove, who makes regular appearances on Fox News and writes for the Wall Street Journal and Newsweek. being constantly described as "the architect." It's true that he helped elect Bush two times, but considering what happened on Nov. 4, isn't it about time for somebody in the media to ask him some pointed questions about what

serious scrutiny

he built and why it didn't last?

- Cliff Kincaid is the editor of Accuracy in Media, and

Water: Snake River aquifer recharge would help ease water crunch

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Idaho citizens, lawmakers and water managers should have a clear understanding of this situation and what it means. In times of severe shortages, the municipalities will get their water first. Even though farmers may own the rights to use that water, the cities won't get shorted in order to irrigate crops. And just because Idaho isn't dealing with drought at the present time, we do live in a desert and should be making proactive plans to deal with it.

From Idaho agriculture's perspective, we like the idea of building more dams and increasing the size of existing dams to help accommodate future growth much better than drying up farm land. Taking farms out of production stifles economic activity and puts a lot of people out of work. It

also increases the cost of food and increases the amount of imported food, which can compromise food safety

Our easiest fix is to do a much better job of recharging a massive aquifer that stretches along the Snake River Plain roughly from Ashton to Mountain Home. In high water years, thousands of acre feet of excess water flows down the Snake River and out to the Pacific. Much of this water could be channeled into canals and allowed to percolate down into the aquifer.

It seems like a simple, proactive solution to a problem Idaho is sure to face sooner or later. However, finding solutions to Idaho water issues is anything but simple.

In 2006, several state legislators and agriculture groups got behind an aquifer recharge proposal. But the legislation was devoured by an Idaho Power public relations campaign. The utility claimed if excess spring flows were diverted from the river there wouldn't be enough water to generate power and rates would increase. Although it lacked logic - the water in question was excess and would have flown over spillways and not through turbines anyway --- Idaho Power's lobbying machine convinced 21 state senators to vote against the measure, and it died.

California has grown to the point where only two years of drought can put the state in a rationing situation. That's a strong indication that California waited too long before addressing its lack of water storage capacity. Idaho has the opportunity to solve this problem before it becomes a crisis. Let's not follow California's example.

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OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OCTOBER 27, 2008 OWYHEE COUNTY ANNEX MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioner's Hoagland and Freund, Commissioner Tolmie left early for another meeting, Clerk Sherburn, Assessor Endicott, SheriffAman, Treasurer Richards, Mary Huff, Fred Grant and Jim Desmond.

Amendments to the agenda include a lease agreement for office space, and Resolution on Jaca Building permit.

Jaca Building permit. Approved a letter to LHTAC requesting additional funding for the Reynolds Creek Bridge to cover additional engineering fees.

An executive session was called pursuant to I.C. 67-2345 on a litigation issue. No action was taken.

Approved the Intergovernmental Lease for Office Space with City of Marsing for Sheriff and Assessor.

A medical indigency hearing was held on 08-25. The applicant was denied pursuant to I.C. 31-3505-4(b).

Indigent & Charity Case No.'s 08-36, 08-37, 08-38 lien's were placed on applicants.

The Board agreed to pay \$1,500 to the Bureau of Land Management for costs on the Southside Fire near Bruneau.

Adopted Resolution No. 08-40 Compliance of Zoning Law on the Jaca Building Permit. Adopted Resolution No. 08-

Adopted Resolution No. 08-41 Ratifying the Execution of the Protocol for Coordination of County, Shoshone-Paiute Tribes and Bureau of Land Management for Quarterly Meetings.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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

/s/Jerry Hoagland, Chairman Attest: /s/Charlotte Sherburn 11/12/08

OCTOBER 1, 2008 – 4 TH QUARTER TO: CITY OF MARSING RESIDENTS FROM: CITY OF MARSING RE: WATER QUALITY IN THE CITY

Dear City of Marsing Resident,

Effective January 26, 2006, the US Environmental Protection Agency reduced the drinking water standard for arsenic from 50 parts per billion (ppb) to 10 ppb. One well supplying water to the City of Marsing, Well #3, has an arsenic concentration of 13 ppb, which exceeds the Maximum Contaminant Level set forth by the EPA. The City of Marsing is required to provide quarterly public notice of this exceedence. You will continue to receive this notice every quarter until such time as the City, if notified by IDEQ the notice is no longer required. Ârsenic is a naturally occurring element thought to enter the water source from contact with natural rock formations. Arsenic can cause adverse health effects, including cardiovascular disease. diabetes mellitus, skin changes, nervous system damage, and various forms of cancer. The City of Marsing is taking action to remove the well as a source of water for the water system. As you may be aware, the City is in the process of upgrading the municipal water system, and

a new well to serve the system, and replace Well #3, will be first item completed for water system upgrade project. 11/12/08

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 365, Owyhee & Elmore Counties, pursuant to Section 33-601, Idaho Code, as amended, has determined that it is in the best interest of said school district to sell the property as identified below. An appraisal of school property as stated below has been duly made.

Description of property to be sold is as follows:

1985 Chevrolet Bluebird School Bus, Mileage: 79,084 VIN # 1GBM6P1F9FV108306

Said property will be sold by sealed bids only for not less than the appraised value.

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

Sealed bids will be opened at the regular board meeting on November 20, 2008 at Bruneau Elementary School, 1 p.m. Any bids received after the bid opening will not be considered.

The property to be sold may be inspected at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, by contacting Robert Lemieux at Jumbo's Auto Supply in Bruneau or Jim Dawson at the School District Office at 834-2253.

Catherine R. Sellman, Clerk

Joint School District No. 365, Owyhee/Elmore Counties, Idaho, PO Box 310, Grand View, ID. 83624

11/5,12/08

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE CASE NO. CV08-0864 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

IN RE: VENTURA MARTINEZ SANCHEZ, Legal Name of Child

A Petition to change the name of Ventura Martinez Sanchez, born May 31, 2003, in Nampa, Idaho, residing at 107 Montana, Homedale, Idaho 83628, has been filed in Owyhee County, Magistrate Court, Homedale, Idaho. The name will change to Ventura Sanchez Martinez because Sanchez is my maiden name and Martinez is my husband's last name and it should be the mother's maiden name first and the father's last name second and it is turned around on the birth certificate. The child's father is

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE

A Petition to change the name

of Troy Robert Stine Jr., born September 1, 1990, in Tampa, Florida, residing at PO Box 542, Grand View, has been filed in Owyhee County District Court, Idaho. The name will change to TJ Snyder, I want to change my name because my step-parent raised me.

The petitioner's father is living and his address is Don't Know Don't Know, Don't Know, Don't Know.

The petitioner's mother is living and her address is PO Box 542, Grand View, Idaho 83624.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 11:00 o'clock a.m. on 12/15/2008 at the County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: 10/31/2008 Charlotte Sherburn Owyhee County Clerk By: Lena Johnson Deputy Court Clerk 11/12,19,26;12/3/08

NOTICE OF HEARING CASE NO CV08-0852 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

OWYHEE

In the Matter of the Estate of: EDD RIPPEE and CHARLOTTE I. RIPPEE, Decedent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the United States of America acting through the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development has filed herein a Petition for Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of personal Representative, a copy of which is on file with the above entitled Court in the above captioned estate pursuant to the statutes of the State of Idaho applicable thereto.

Hearing has been set upon said Petition on the 9th day of December, 2008, at 10:30 a.m., before the Honorable Dan C. Grober, at the courtroom of the above entitled Court at Murphy, County of Owyhee, State of Idaho.

DATED this 20 day of October, 2008.

/s/Susan E. Wiebe

Attorney for Petitioner, 802 Arthur, PO Box 606, Caldwell, ID 83606. 208-454-8771 Fax 208-454-9075 ISB#3919. 10/29;11/5,12/08

SUMMONS

CASE NO. CV-DR-08-16790

HOMEDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT #370 HOMEDALE, IDAHO

Combined statement of revenue & expenditures with changes in fun balance – all funds

balance – all funds		
	2007-08	2007-08
Account	Budget	Actual
REVENUE RECEIPTS	e	
Local Sources	1,132,011	1,143,335
County Sources	0	0
State Šources	7,082,235	7,424,724
Federal Sources	1,479,652	1,042,219
Other Sources		
TOTAL REVENUE	9,693,898	9,610,278
Transfers IN	228,219	231,597
Total Revenue & Transfers	9,922,117	9,841,875
EXPENDITURES	, ,	
Instructional Services	6,581,854	5,664,193
Support Services	2,519,192	2,854,210
Non-Instructional Services	673,300	512,960
Facility Acquisition Services	81,000	81,006
Debt Service	384,000	383,474
Total Expenditures	10,239,346	9,495,843
Transfers OUT	228,219	231,597
Total Expenditures & Transfers	10,467,565	9,727,440
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues	over	
Expenditures & Transfers	-545,448	114,435
Fund Balance at July 1, 2007	1,666,277	1,529,674
Adjustments	0	0
Adj. Fund Balance July 1, 2007	1,666,277	1,529,674
Fund Balance at June 30, 2008	1,120,829	1,644,109
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Copies of the School District budget and the annual report are available for public inspection in the administrative office of the school district.

/s/Faith K. Olsen Business Manager Homedale Jt. School Distict #370

Homedale, ID 83628 11/12/08

GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2009 BUDGET 38,048.13 irrigable acres

REVENUE	0
Operation & Maintenance	\$1,789,873
Construction	3,660
Old Gem Expanded Water Rights A	cs 70,680
Interest Receivable	90,000
Penalties Receivable	<u>5,853</u>
Total	\$1,960,066
EXPENSES	
South Board of Control	\$1,954,356
Construction	3,660
Directors' Fees	1,200
Liability Insurance	800
Office	\$1,960,066
Total	\$1,960,066
ASSESSMENT CHARGES	
O&M Assessment per/ac	\$48.90
Construction	\$49.00
Total Assessment per/ac	\$49.00
Connie Chadez	
Secretary-Treasurer	
11/12,19/08	

further notice, unless prior to the time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case No., and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at 200 W. Front St., Boise, Idaho, (208) 287-6900 and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiff's attorney Audrey Numbers at 611 W. Hays, Boise, Idaho, (208) 424-0800.

A copy of the Summons and

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that David Crawford has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

his address is 107 Montana, Homedale, Idaho 83628.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for Wednesday, December 17, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. at the County Courthouse in Homedale, Idaho. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

DATED This the 31stday of October, 2008.

Charlotte Sherburn

Owyhee County Clerk

By Lena Johnson

Deputy Court Clerk Erik Johnson - ISB#4704, Attorney at Law, IDAHO LEGAL AID SERVICES, INC., 1104 Blaine Street, P.O. Box 1116, Caldwell, Idaho 83606-1116. (208) 454-2591 FAX (208) 454-2593, Attorney for Petitioner Griselda Sanchez.

11/5,12,19,26/08

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN

AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADA LORI DENISE RILEY,

Plaintiff,

Vs.

KEITH EUGENE BURSON, Defendant.

TO: KEITH EUGENE BURSON, THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT

You have been sued by Lori Denise Riley, the Plaintiff, in the District Court in and for Ada County, Idaho, Case No. CV DR 08-16790. The nature of the claim against you is a Compliant for Divorce.

Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without Compliant can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court of the attorney for Plaintiff. If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

DATED: Sept. 5, 2008 Ada County District Court By /s/J. Daniel Navano Deputy Clerk J. Randall 11/12,19,26;12/3/08

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-08-0605 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF IDAHO

In The Matter of The Estate of BADEN E. CRAWFORD, Deceased.

DATED this 5 day of November, 2008.

THE HUNTLEY LAW FIRM, PLLC

/c/Victoria M. Loegering, 4932, on behalf of the Personal Representative, The Huntley Law Firm, PLLC, The Carnegie Library, 815 W. Washington St., PO Box 2188, Boise, ID 83702, 208-388-1230 Fax 208-388-0234, email: vloegering@huntleylaw. com, Attorney for Estate. <u>11/12,19,26/08</u>



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SECOND ANOTHER SUMMONS CASE NO. CV08-0819 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, Plaintiff, Vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES of ARCHIE H. SNYDER; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES of FLORA DOLPHINE LAMB; DONALD LAMB, a single person; TITLE AND TRUST COMPANY, an Idaho corporation; STATE OF IDAHO; and RONI M. ATKINS, as personal representative of the estates of ARCHIE H. SNYDER and FLORA DOLPHINE LAMB, Defendants.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFF(S). THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. <u>READ THE</u> INFORMATION BELOW.

TO: Unknown Heirs and Devisees of Archie H. Snyder; Unknown Heirs and Devisees of Flora Dolphine Lamb; and Donald Lamb, a single person.

YOU ĂRE HREEBY NOTIFIED That in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within 20 days after service of this Second Another Summons on you. If you fail to so respond, the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff(s) in the Amended Compliant.

A copy of the Amended Complaint is served with this Second Another Summons. If you wish to seek the advice of or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.

An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10 (a) (1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:

- 1. The title and number of this case.
- 2. If your response is an Answer to the Amended Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Amended Compliant and other defenses you may claim. Your signature, mailing 3. address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney. Proof of mailing or delivery 4 of a copy of your response to plaintiff's attorney, as designated below.

83606. 208-454-8771 Fax 208-454-9075. ISB#3919, Attorney for Plaintiff 10/29;11/5.12,19/08

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-08-0860 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

IDAHO In The Matter of The Estates of JOHN ALFRED GLIDDEN and MARY ANNA HELEN GLIDDEN Aka MOLLIE H. GLIDDEN, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ray C. Glidden has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 7 day of November, 2008.

THE HUNTLEY LAW FIRM, PLLC

/c/Victoria M. Loegering, 4932, on behalf of the Personal Representative, The Huntley Law Firm, PLLC, The Carnegie Library, 815 W. Washington St., PO Box 2188, Boise, ID 83702, 208-388-1230 Fax 208-388-0234, email: vloegering@huntleylaw. com, Attorney for Estate.

11/12,19,26/08

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S

SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 4, 2009, at the hour of eleven o'clock 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, the Trustee, Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., 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:

Lot 5 as shown on the plat of Ferry Heights Subdivision, Owyhee County, Idaho, recorded March 26, 2001 as Instrument No. 235410, Owyhee County records.

Together with a 14.29% interest in Good Day Road as shown on the plat of Ferry Heights Subdivision, Owyhee County, Idaho, recorded March 26, 2001 as Instrument No. 235410, Owyhee County records. 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, information concerning the location of the property may be obtained from Mark D. Perison, P.A., 314 S. 9th Street, Suite 300, Boise, Idaho, (208) 331-1200. 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 EDWARD D. FRISBIE and BARBARA J. FRISBIE, husband and wife, as Grantor, and ALLIANCE TITLE AND ESCROW, as Trustee, and HOPKINS MORTGAGE FUND, LLC, an Idaho Limited Liability Company, "as trustee for the benefit on a parity for all Series "A" Debenture Holders," as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been filed of record on May 16, 2008, as Instrument No. 265046, 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 May 15, 2008, in the amount of \$907.53 per month for August 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 \$62,000.00 in principal; plus accrued interest at the rate of twelve and one-half percent (12.5%) per annum from August 9, 2008; plus default interest pursuant to the Note at the rate of five percent (5%) per annum from September 29, 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 30 day of October, 2008.

By: /s/ Mark D. Perison – of the Firm, Attorneys for Trustee, P.O. Box 6575, Boise, ID 83707-6575. (208) 331-1200 11/12,19,26;12/3/08

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On March 4, 2009, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock AM of said day, at the Owyhee County Courthouse, Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, JUST LAW, INC., as Successor 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 to wit:

Lot 3 of Block 1 of BIG SKY ESTATES NO. 1, part of Government Lot 4, Section 4, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed October 26, 1978 as Instrument No. 156593, in the office of the damages.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Javier Gonzalez and Stephanie M. Gonzalez, husband and wife, as Grantor(s) with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded July 28, 2006, as Instrument No. 257413, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp. Home Equity Pass Through Certificates, Series 2006-8, recorded October 28, 2008, as Instrument No. 266592, in the records of said County.

THÉ ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THATTHEYARE, ORARENOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows: Monthly payments in the amount of \$506.69 for the months of July 2008 through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$67,834.46 as principal, plus service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 7.25% from June 1, 2008, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Dated this 28th day of October, 2008.

Sumerli Lynch

Trust Officer for

JUST LAW, INC., PO Box 50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405 (208) 523-9106 FAX (208) 523-9146

For information concerning this sale please contact Just Law, Inc. at www.justlawidaho. com or Toll Free at 1-800-923-9106, Thank you. <u>11/5,12,19,26/08</u>

The following application(s)

of Sec 42 203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 11/24/2008. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

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Director 11/5,12/08

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho:

57-11752

CITY OF HOMEDALE, 31 W WYOMING AVE, PO BOX 757, HOMEDALE ID 83628

Point(s) of Diversion SESE S4 T03N R05W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER

Use: MUNICIPAL 01/01 To 12/31 1.14 CFS

Total Diversion: 1.14 CFS Date Filed: 09/15/2008

Place Of Use: MUNICIPAL T03N R05W S10

SWNE Lot 5 NENW Lot 6 NWNW SWNW SENW NESW

NWNW SWNW SENW NESW NWSW SWSW SESW NWSE Lot 4

SWSE SESE Lot 3

T03N R05W S3SWSW Lot 8 T03N R05W S4NWNW Lot 3 SWNW SENW Lot 4 NESW NWSW SWSW SESW NESE Lot 6 NWSE Lot 5

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T03N R05W S9 NENE NWNE SWNE SENE NENW NWNW SWNW SENW NESW NWSW SWSW SESW

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Remark: Municipal use is for applicants service area.

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 11/24/2008. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant. DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR.,

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To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.

DATED This 17th day of October, 2008.

CHARLOTTE SHERBURN, Clerk

By: Trina Aman, Deputy Clerk

Susan E. Wiebe, Attorney at Law, 802 Arthur, Caldwell, ID

Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

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 the address of 604 Selway Drive, Homedale, ID aka 604 Selway, Homedale, ID aka 604 E. Selway Dr., Homedale, ID, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

This Trustee's Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 57-11747 DUNCAN D FARRIS, FARRIS CATTLE CO LLC, 493 N KATSURA AVE, KUNA ID 83634

Point(s) of Diversion NENE S21 T02N R05W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER

Use: IRRIGATION 03/15 To 11/15 4 CFS

Total Diversion: 4 CFS Date Filed: 03/19/2008 Place Of Use: IRRIGATION T02N R05W S16 SWSE SESE

T02N R05W S21 NENE NWNE SWNE

Number of Acres 200

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2008

Public notices

PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHTS

Greg Callen Farms LLC of 500 S 376 W, Jerome, ID 83338 filed Application No. 73418 to transfer two water rights with 1966 priority dates from ground water totaling 11.88 cfs. The purpose of the transfer is to combine the two rights into one common irrigation system of 594 acres. There will be no new wells or additional acres under this application. Water will be used at the current place of use approximately 4 to 5 miles southwest of Bruneau and about the same distance east of Hwv 51.

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 November 24, 2008. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant. DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR.,

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PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

Leo and Anita Berger of 23215 San Francisco Lane, Nampa ID 83686 filed Application No. 73806 to transfer a water right with a 1949 priority date from the Snake River totaling 1.85 cfs. The purpose of the transfer is to split their 1.8 acre and 0.04 cfs from the place of use and add their own point of diversion. Site is located 4 miles south of Marsing, onehalf mile east of Hwy 78, Lot 11, Block 1, Hidden Valley Estates Subdivision in Owyhee County.

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DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR., Director

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PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT

Greg and Susan Sims of 7530 Riverfront Drive, Marsing ID 83639 filed Application No. 75197 to transfer a water right with a 1949 priority date from the Snake River totaling 1.85 cfs. The purpose of the transfer is to split their 1.8 acre and 0.04 cfs from the place of use and add a point of diversion. Site is located 4 miles south of Marsing, onehalf mile east of Hwy 78, Lot 2, Block 1, Hidden Valley Estates Subdivision in Owyhee County.

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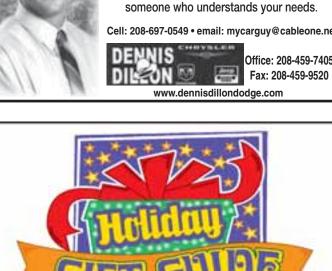
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