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New Congress, same confidence for Initiative

Sponsor Crapo sees collaboration paying off with success in 111th session

The fate of the Owyhee Initiative legislation is the hands of a new Congress, but bill sponsor Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) isn't worried.

Even with the changing makeup of both the U.S. Senate and the House of Representatives for the 111th Congress, the soon-tobe senior senator from Idaho remains confident that the massive public lands omnibus bill held over from the 110th session has a good chance at passage into law.

"I don't think the chances of the lands package would be diminished at all by the results of the election either on a national

level or with specific reference to Walt Minnick's election," Crapo said, referring to Idaho Democrat Minnick's victory over Republican incumbent Bill Sali in the First Congressional District race in the Nov. 4 election.

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Fog lifts to reveal a frosty day There's no snow in the Owyhees, but the trees in this yard south of Homedale can attest that cold temperatures have indeed arrived. Photo by Jan Aman

Power line route could cross hundreds of local properties

Annex building work finally begins

Contractor gets public works license, ordered to modify insurance

Work on the new county annex building in Marsing is expected to start this week once the contractor gets all his paperwork in order.

The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners signed a work

contract with Murphy's Jean Shurtleff Construction during last week's meeting, but told Shurtleff he would have to get workman's compensation squared away before proceeding.

County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said a new certificate of insurance is necessary because the original listed Shurtleff as the only worker for the project, and that's not the case. Shurtleff did present his public works license — See Annex, page 4

GV fire has hot week

With two major hay fires and a vehicle blaze, Grand View volunteer firefighters were kept hopping last week.

The first bale fire involved the loss of approximately 800 tons of hay, and the rescue of an equal amount, assistant chief Ed Collett said Monday. Firefighters from Grand View, assisted by additional men and equipment from the Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson (MRW) fire district as well Mountain Home firefighters and Mountain Home Air Force Base personnel and apparatus all responded to battle the blaze, which

started around 1 a.m. Wednesday. Collett praised those who lent a hand, not just the firefighters and airmen, but also the locals who helped rescue half the hay with loaders. Crews fought the fire until daybreak to bring it under

Commissioners concerned by path sited on private rather than BLM land

If the \$1.2 billion Boardman to Hemingway project sees Idaho Power put its 500-kilovolt (kV) transmission lines along the route

given in their EFSEC Notification Corridors maps, the number of private properties directly impacted in the northern Owyhee County and

Adrian areas will almost certainly exceed 100.

That number assumes that half of the possibly impacted properties are bypassed; more than 200 private properties lie partially or wholly within the proposed route

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control.

Another hay fire erupted on Saturday morning, this one consuming approximately 600 tons, with another 700-800 tons rescued in yet another combined operation that saw both departments and neighbors turn out to help.

Collett thought it plausible that — See Fire, page 5

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Homedale holiday food drive kicks off

Coordinator expects to help dozens of families

Homedale's annual holiday food drive, which began this week, may be one of the most pivotal in years, an organizer said.

All three schools in the Homedale School District began collecting food Monday, and drive coordinator Randee Garrett said she anticipates more than 60 families to receive assistance through the Hands Around Homedale food drive and gift drive.

The Wish Tree gift drive got under way last month, and a Casino Night fundraiser was held Saturday to generate money to buy presents for children. Trees tagged with details on each child are located at businesses throughout town, including Paul's Market, Homedale's U.S. Post Office, Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, Tolmie's Ace Hardware, Homedale Drive-In, Moxie Java and Idaho Pizza Co.

This is the fourth year Garrett has compiled the list of families and children that benefit from the Hands Around Homedale effort, and she said this year's economic instability has led to more need.

"I do know that it almost seems like daily that we get a story that someone comes in and someone has been laid off," Garrett said.

Garrett said she's not sure how the economy will affect donations to Hands Around Homedale this year, but residents always seem to come through.

"So many families are able to help in a small way," she said.

Garrett said that she has heard that the Salvation Army is helping some Homedale families not on the Hands Around Homedale roster. She also has taken steps to make sure that families aren't appearing on both lists.

And those needing assistance aren't just families with children and not all are initially on the list, she said.

"I've got older people in the community looking for food, and I'll have some who come in and ask, too," she said.

The food will be collected through Dec. 12, with drop-off points at the high school, middle school and elementary school in Homedale. Canned foods and non-perishable items are accepted, while Paul's Market shoppers can donate Price Cutter Card points to the purchase of meat. Shoppers merely have to tell the clerk at checkout how many points they want to donate toward Hands Around Homedale. Every 10 points donated equates to 40 cents toward the purchase of a turkey, Garrett said.

The Caldwell Basque club also buys ham, turkey, hot dogs and hamburgers for the food drive, and local growers and packers provide produce, Garrett said.

Even with the outpouring from individuals, businesses and organizations, Garrett is always cautiously optimistic about how well the drive will help families.

"I'm always a little bit concerned; 'Will we have to spread it thin?'" she said. "I think I am shocked every year when the food shows up from the middle school and the high school and we keep unloading it and keep sorting it."

Students at all three schools are encouraged to solicit food donations. The food from the high school and the middle school will be moved to the elementary school lunchroom by Dec. 12 for sorting and the construction of care packages.

Garrett said food pickup will be conducted on Dec. 13 at the elementary school.

— JPB

Community comes together to make Christmas cheerful

Last Chance ready for annual auction

The Last Chance Saloon once again has launched a fundraising drive to pay for Christmas gifts for residents at Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center on West Owyhee Avenue in Homedale.

The goal is to raise \$2,500, and a benefit auction will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, at the Last Chance, 120 W. Idaho Ave.

All proceeds from the auction will help purchase gifts and personal items for the nursing home residents.

The band Buckin' Country also will perform on Dec. 13 from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Organizers welcome auction donations and cash donations. For more information, call 337-4916.

Owyhee Avalanche gift drive begins

The Owyhee Avalanche's annual Christmas gift project for residents of Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center is now under way.

Gifts will be accepted at the Avalanche office, 19 E. Idaho Ave., until Monday, Dec. 22.

A list of items requested by the residents will appear in the Dec. 10 issue of the Avalanche.

Bazaar to raise money for food baskets

The Owyhee Lanes Restaurant will present its third annual Christmas Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, at 18 N. 1st St. W., in Homedale. Tables are available for \$25 each.

Money raised helps build food baskets distributed by Homedale Baptist Church Pastor James Huls and volunteers.

Seniors tuck into turkey

The Homedale Senior Citizens' Center served up a holiday lunch to better than 80 diners on Nov. 25 at noon, along with 38 delivery orders done through Meals on Wheels and at least eight takeout orders. Center cooks, under the command of head chef Joan Thompson, prepared and served seven large turkeys with all the trimmings to the throng, along with buns, pies and other delectable fare.



Book sale makes \$215

The Homedale Public Library sold more than 300 pounds of used books at its recent book-by-the-pound sale.

Now, it's back to business with another Story Time set for 10 a.m. Friday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

The holiday story "The Nutcracker" will be presented along with songs, ballet dancing and refreshments. For more information, call the library, 337-4228.

Library director Margaret Fujishin said the Nov. 21-22 book sale at the Homedale Senior Citizens Center made \$215.84.

The sale featured 337 pounds of books at 50 cents per pound and six cookbooks compiled specifi-

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cally for the library.

Fujishin said preparation for the sale didn't come without some excitement during the windstorm that knocked out power Nov. 20.

"Thanks ... to the Senior Center janitors, who had to clean up all the leaves and dust that blew in the back door while we were moving the books," she said. "That storm (Nov. 2) hit us just at the wrong time."

Fujishin thanked the center for providing the space as well as those who helped with the sale, including Mary Wilson, Carol Burroughs, Leora Zanks, Lillian Troxel, Janet McCornack, Barry Fujishin, library staff member Ann Umphrey and community service workers with Owyhee County's Juvenile Probation Office.



Homedale firemen set yearly orange sale It's that time again, and community members will be able to support the Homedale Fire Department and net some sweet winter oranges at the same time. The department will hold its annual sale at the John Matteson Memorial Fire Hall on West Colorado Avenue starting at noon on Monday. Gavin Parker, Homedale Chamber of Commerce president, got an early deal from volunteer fireman Greg Kelly.

Authorities probe GV shotgun blast

Owyhee County Sheriff's Office investigators continue to look into an incident in which a Grand View youth apparently discharged a shotgun to quell an altercation with other teenagers.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Bruce Cameron said a 15-year-old boy fired a warning shot into the ground on Nov. 21 when he felt threatened by three other teenagers who had come on to his family's property.

All the teenagers involved —

the 15-year-old, a 16-year-old boy and boy and girl, both 17 — are students at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School. Cameron said the disagreement began at the school, but the shot was fired at a private residence when one of the boys threaten to beat up the 15-year-old.

Cameron said there was an 18-year-old who witnessed the shotgun discharge. No names are being released at the investigation continued.

HHS athletic group to meet

An organizational meeting for the Homedale Trojan Athletic Association (HTAA) is set for 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 15, inside the Homedale High School library.

The HTAA isn't affiliated with the Homedale Booster Club and will be facilitated by the school, athletic director David Hart said. "We want to try to promote the school's athletics in a positive way," Hart said.

The plan is to meet twice during each sports season to allow coaches discuss goals and season progress with community members.



ATV ordinance is on horizon

The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners is poised to finalize road access for all-terrain vehicles with a vote at its Monday meeting.

The commissioners held another public hearing Nov. 24 to get input on which roads should be closed to comply with a new state law that opened every county road in the state to ATV access.

The state's 44 counties have until Jan. 1 to establish a list of new roads that will be closed.

But commission chair Jerry Hoagland said folks shouldn't expect much change from which roads were closed before the Idaho Legislature revamped the law governing ATVs, utility terrain vehicles (UTVs) and motorbikes. "The legislation last spring flipflopped everything," Hoagland said.

Few comments on the ordinance were made during Monday's meeting, Hoagland said. Only two county residents showed up for the hearing, which was a follow-up to the August hearing in Homedale that was attended by about two dozen people. Hoagland doesn't anticipate much change to the draft that commissioners will vote on at 10 a.m. on Monday.

"What we did is identify the roads that we'll close," Hoagland said, adding that some county roads or portions thereof that will be closed to ATV use include Mud Flat, Flint, Bachman Grade and Upper Reynolds Creek from Hemingway Butte to the Reyn-

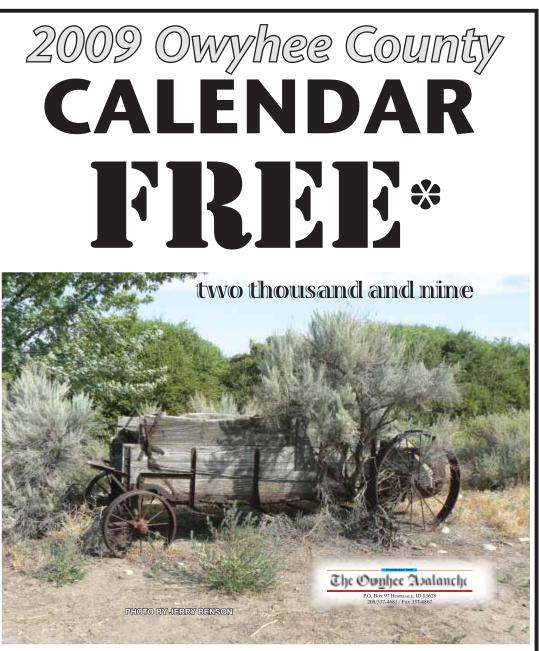
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Hoagland said no roads that were open before the new state law will be closed with the new ordinance.

"There might be more open that wasn't before," he said.

The roads around the Murphy townsite will stay open, Hoagland said, as well as the old stage road from Murphy to its intersection with Silver City Road and the old stage road from Silver City Road to Diamond Basin. Cow Creek Road will be open from the gravel pit to its intersection with Trout Creek Road near Wagontown, he said.

County roads around Bruneau aren't open at this point, Hoagland said, but that may change after discussions with Bruneau residents. — JPB



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A pair of workshops to get public input on future construction projects for U.S. Highway 95 will be held Tuesday at the Homedale Senior Citizens Center.

The Idaho Transportation Department will present identical information at both 90-minute workshops, which are scheduled to start at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.

The workshops are part of a plan to analyze the existing condition of the highway. forecast future demand and generate a list of short- and longterm improvements aimed at modernizations of U.S. 95, which stretches through Idaho from the Oregon border to the Canyon County line at the Homedale Snake River bridge.

It was recently reported that ITD has moved up its plan to resurface the stretch of U.S. 95 from the Homedale's southern city limits to the junction with Idaho highway 95. Originally scheduled

for 2011, the resurfacing now will take place in two years.

News of the rescheduling wasn't necessarily welcomed by District 23B Rep. Stephen Hartgen (R-Twin Falls), who wants more extensive work performed.

"This is an overlay project, as I understand it, and really does not address the serious engineering issues which that stretch of highway needs," he said.

"I would prefer to see the Department place the redesign on a closer schedule. Resurfacing the road is OK, but does not fix the basic problems which need to be addressed."

In other Homedale-related U.S. 95 news, ITD spokesman Reed Hollinshead announced that the Homedale Snake River bridge rehabilitation project could begin in mid-March next year and run through May 2009.

— JPB

Pesticide license renewal class offered

The Owyhee Conservation District will hold a Farmers Appreciation Day next Wednesday to coincide with a pesticide license renewal class.

The three-hour class, which is free to farmers, will be held from 9 a.m. to noon next Wednesday at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., in Marsing.

The class agenda will include a pesticide update for enforcement and groundwater as well as control methods for grasshopper, gopher and ground squirrel. The class carries three renewal points.

Lunch also will be served to those attending.

Seating is limited, so reservations are required. Call Gina Millard (208) 896-4544, ext. 102, to save a spot in the class.

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$\sqrt{$ **Annex:** DMV opening planned January

to the commission on Monday after being told on Nov. 17 that he wouldn't be able to proceed without one.

Board chair Jerry Hoagland anticipated that Shurtleff would resolve the insurance situation by Monday's meeting in Murphy. Results from that meeting weren't available at press time.

But Hoagland was confident work would begin Monday and that the county assessor's office division of motor vehicles would be able to open in the old Owyhee Conservation District building at 19 Reich St. by Jan. 2.

"That's what we're targeting for," Hoagland said, "so that we can get that moved out of Marsing City Hall because they really need

the space."

Construction on office space for the sheriff's office, coroner's office and state probation will continue after the opening, Hoagland said.

Sheriff's vehicle on hold

The commissioners have vet to approve a bid for a new vehicle of the sheriff's office chief deputy, and are now mulling at least two plans of action, Hoagland said.

During their Nov. 17 meeting, the commissioner took under advisement a \$26,558 bid for a 2009 3/4-ton pickup from Dan Wiebold Ford.

But Hoagland said Sheriff-elect Daryl Crandall suggested another plan during Monday's meeting.

"Crandall came in and had some other ideas other than purchasing

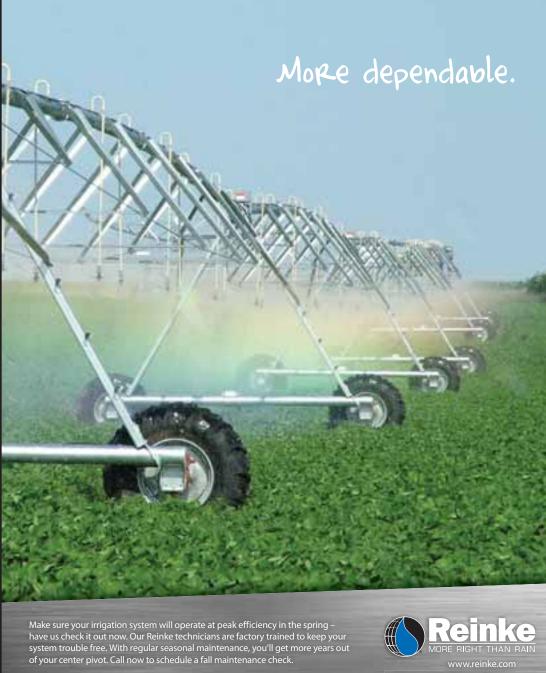
the truck," Hoagland said. "Even on the advice of (current Sheriff Gary Aman), he said that it might be impractical at this time."

The recommendation is to wait on getting a new vehicle, Hoagland said. But he also said that Crandall suggested looking into a bid on a Dodge Charger through the Idaho State Police.

Hoagland said the bid on the four-door Charger was about \$3,000 less than the pickup, but that additional modifications suggested by District 3 Commissioner Dick Freund could add to the price of the vehicle.

Hoagland said Freund's recommendation that a plastic-covered backseat, spotlight and full-size spare tire could raise the Charger bid about \$800.

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Initiative: Crapo expects omnibus to have the legs to finish process

The public lands management omnibus originally slated for a Senate vote during the lame duck session last month was knocked into next year by more pressing issues, such as the haggling over a possible \$25 billion bailout loan for the nation's Big Three automakers and continued general economic worries.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) announced on Nov. 17 — the first day of the extra session — that the public lands omnibus bill wouldn't be taken up.

The move means that some Initiative supporters in the Senate will be leaving office, specifically Republicans Pete Domenici from New Mexico, the ranking member on the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee and fellow committee member Larry Craig from Idaho.

But Crapo doesn't see the support for the omnibus in general and the Initiative in particular losing much steam.

"We will not because, first of all, the chair of the committee, Sen. (Jeff) Bingaman (D-N.M.), is supportive of moving the bill forward now," Crapo said.

"And the new ranking member who would replace Sen. Domenici, I believe, will be Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska), who is a strong supporter and advocate for our bill.'

It has taken eight years to craft the Owyhee canyonlands bill. The

legislation calls for the protection of 517,000 acres as wilderness, designation of 315 miles of water as Wild and Scenic Rivers and preservation of the ranching way of life that is so vital to the Owyhee County economy.

Other elements of the bill include a law enforcement package to help the county sheriff's office with recreational patrol and steps to help the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes preserve their culture in the county.

Crapo believes that even with a further shift in the balance of power in Congress, the public lands omnibus - with the Initiative implementation legislation included — has a good chance of getting through both the Senate

and House and onto the president's desk for signature into law.

This confidence comes even as Sen. Tom Coburn (R-Okla.) continues to wield the threat of a filibuster, which delayed action on the bill during the lame duck session, and other opponents come forward. Among the foes are Charles Cushman of the private property rights group The American Land Rights Association and possibly House Resources Committee Chair Nick Rahall (D-W. Va.), who like Coburn, is against management bills that feature land transfers.

But Crapo said the work done by the Initiative Work Group and accomplished through negotiations with Senate staff even before

a vote was taken at the committee level has built a coalition that could break any resistance.

Furthermore, Minnick's arrival in the House won't hurt because he's already behind the Initiative, Crapo said

"Walt Minnick is a supporter of the Initiative, and I think would work very hard to be sure that it was handled properly and expeditiously in the House," Crapo said before the lame duck session.

"And I believe, because we've gone through this collaborative process and so painstakingly developed our support base among all interest groups and in both parties, I think we would still have very strong support."

— JPB

B2H: Concerns of private land vs. public didn't factor in planning route

of the power lines, better than 100 on each side of the border in our immediate area.

The Boardman-to-Hemingway transmission line is slated to begin construction in two years.

The potential impact has county commissioners concerned, now that the scope of the project has been brought to their attention.

"It appears that this proposal will have to go through the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) process," Owyhee County Board of Commissioners chair Jerry Hoagland said in an e-mail on Friday. "If the line crosses private property, a CUP will be necessary. If it is on (public) land, a CUP would not be needed.

"I would strongly support placing the line next to the existing PGE (Portland General Electric) line. It seems more reasonable to follow an existing corridor. Placing the proposed line across private property creates many issues that will impact the county and its citizens. I will make sure the Board of County Commissioners are watching and will issue a statement as we know more."

As of Monday, no applications for CUPs have been made, to the best of Hoagland's knowledge. Outside of a letter inviting commissioners to the initial scoping meeting in October, they have received no information from Idaho Power, he said.

"We have to go to Idaho Power to find out what's going on," Hoagland said of the next step facing the county.

The printed records of the proposed route do not address whether the line will follow the new West-Wide Energy Corridor (WWEC) on nearby Bureau of Land Management lands as defined in the release on Nov. 26 from the BLM and the Departments of Energy, Agriculture and Defense. The energy corridor's final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) defines the federal corridor as being intended to "facilitate future siting of oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines, as well as electricity transmission and distribution facilities on Federal lands in the West to meet the

mitigating potential harmful effects to the environment."

Examination of the maps seems to indicate the route within Owyhee County parallels the WWEC to the northeast, on the northeastern side of the existing PGE transmission lines, through private property. Why the proposed Boardman-to-Hemingway 500kV transmission line is plotted across private land was addressed by project manager for Idaho Power, Eric Hackett.

Idaho Power defends route choice

"We followed the WWEC where we could, but in some spots it's not conducive to what we're doing," Hackett said Monday.

"Through Owyhee County, we're following the WWEC," Hackett said. His next statement countered that stance, though. "Where we routed it, we looked at where the proposed Hemingway substation is ... it just makes obvious sense to stay on the north side of that (existing PGE powerlines)," he said.

That takes the line out of the WWEC and puts it on private property.

"Whether it makes any logical sense to cross the existing powerline, to get into this West-Wide corridor, and then cross it again to get back up toward Sand Hollow (substation)," is a question Hackett says planners are asking. "That may not make a lot of sense in the end."

"We don't feel we can legitimize being on the north side or the south side yet, until we put a little more analysis into really why it's on the south side," Hackett said. Would it be preferable for Idaho Power to build the line on federal land, or private? "Neither. We've tried to make it real clear to the public that we didn't make any distinction between private and public land when we're looking at our routing," Hackett said. "We look at the resources, both opportunities and constraints." They look strictly at environmental resource constraints, comprehensive land-use plans and

region's increasing energy demands while the like, he explained, not the ownership of the property.

"The preference (for the route) is simply based on what we feel is the most utilitarian path where the impact we have can be mitigated," he said.

"It obviously seems with our project, with so much on private (land), that we've had some preference, but it really has just been a toss of the coin here, where unfortunately that's how it's ended up. It's obviously provoking a lot of confrontation," he said.

"The only way it (private ownership) will factor in, if we are on private property, we'll try to work with property owners through negotiation to say 'Where on your property would it be best for you?'," he said.

Hackett tried to allay fears of blocked pivots and line irrigation by saying that towers could likely be sited on the corners of pivot-irrigated sections.

"We're going to do everything we can not to put a tower right in the center of a pivot-irrigated area," he said. "We'll work hard to use the appropriate tower and appropriate spacing to minimize impact as much as possible."

The 250-foot easements desired will, he said, be worked out on an individual basis as far as recompense is concerned.

He also addressed just why a more direct, straight north-south route from Sand Hollow to Hemingway, proposed earlier, was not selected, pointing to the Fort Boise Wildlife Management Area and "other constraints" that made the route less attractive than a longer, looping route veering through Owyhee County and Adrian.

over the impact of the proposed corridor to the BLM project manager, Lucas Lucero, and Adam Bless of the Oregon Department of Energy.

The letter followed a standing-roomonly public meeting where property owners aired their concerns about the planned transmission project, which would stretch from Boardman to a proposed Hemingway substation in Owyhee County.

In the Nov. 14 letter, Malheur County Court Judge Dan Joyce voiced concerns that the route, as proposed, "would force a significant change and significantly increase the cost of effective farming practices" on Exclusive Farm-Use (EFU) land along the right-of-way of the line.

Under Oregon statutes, for any utility facility to be sited on EFU land, alternative corridors "on lower value and less intensely farmed lands as well as public lands must be included for review," the letter states. It goes on to say that most of the corridor in Malheur County is situated on EFU land, and that a suitable alternate route in compliance with the statute has not been proposed.

Potential impacts put forward in the letter included "effects on the aerial application of pesticides, fertilization, cultivation, wheel line or pivot irrigation systems and the maneuvering of farm equipment." Conflicts arising from the towers, spaced roughly 1,000 feet apart, and the belly-sag of the lines, which may reach a minimum height mid-span of 30 to 35 feet, were raised by landowners present at the scoping meetings

"We're trying to find the least-cost scenario across the board, and sometimes that doesn't look to make the most sense in a single, individualized area," Hackett said.

Malheur issues letter over concerns Landowner concerns over the line have grown lately, especially in Vale, where the Malheur County Court (commission) recently issued a letter expressing worries

held by the BLM and Idaho Power at the end of October in both Oregon and Marsing.

The letter suggests that Idaho Power needs to submit alternative corridors on less intensively farmed land and federal land in order to comply with state law.

Another concern is the site of the line neighboring Malheur Butte, which the county wants to protect as a scenic icon.

Information on the project can be accessed at www.boardmantohemingway.com. -MML

much worse, Collett said.

"Nobody got hurt, though we

were some tired firemen after all

Fire: Bad bales likely ignited hay; weeds, hot truck possible culprits, too

both hay fires were caused by the spontaneous combustion of a single bale, deep in the stack and under pressure, that had not been put up correctly. Both instances involved fourth-cut hay, as well, and weather could have encouraged ignition, he said.

Luckily for the owners of the hay, both stacks were insured.

The busy week for Grand View Fire began Nov. 25 when volunteers were called out on a vehicle fire involving an Agri-Lines pickup.

The truck, which had been towing gear in a field near Grand View, had, Collett believed,

picked up some trash or brush on the vehicle's catalytic converter. Once it ignited, it burned through the pickup's flooring, totaling the vehicle.

that," he said.

Still, the week could have been

- MML

Marilyn Black, age 75 of Bruneau, passed away peacefully on Friday, November 28, 2008 in Mountain Home surrounded by her children and grandchildren after a 17-year battle with brain cancer.

Marilyn Ann Nettleton was born to Jim and Maude Sothern Nettleton on March 26, 1933 in Estacada, Oregon, where Jim was working at the time. When Marilyn was two years old, the Nettletons returned to the Joyce Ranch on Sinker Creek (near Murphy) where Jim worked for many years with his family.

Marilyn grew up horseback on the ranch, and was proud to hear people refer to her as "her Dad's right hand man". She grew up on the Box T Ranch in the Owyhee Mountains and attended the Oreana grade school until the Nettletons bought a house in Nampa where Marilyn finished 7th and 8th grade at St. Paul's. Her weekends and summers continued to be spent on the ranch that she loved. She graduated from Nampa High School in 1951 and went on to Marylhurst College in Marylhurst, Oregon.

Even as Marilyn made plans to attend college, her eye was on a Bruneau cowboy she had met at the Grand View Rodeo. Ace Black had made quite an impression on the Oreana beauty, and the couple was married September 20, 1952 at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Nampa. They settled in Bruneau where Ace worked for his parents, Albert and Bonnie Black, on their ranch. The Blacks began to build their family, and by the time they were married six years, they were blessed with five children - Terry, Tony, Patrick, Ann, and Martin. The Blacks moved several times in their young marriage, living at the Castle Creek house in Oreana for a time and on to the Joyce Ranch on Sinker Creek. Marilyn enjoyed motherhood and worked hard to help Ace provide for their growing family. Marilyn would make pies at night after her family was in bed, and then take them to sell at the Wagon Wheel Café in Murphy when she dropped Terry and Tony off at school in the mornings. It was a busy, but happy time for the Blacks and their growing family. In 1962, Ace and Marilyn bought a big two-story house and some acreage in Bruneau and moved their family to what



would become home for all of their children. Shortly after their move, their young son Patrick was killed in an auto accident near Bruneau. His death was the beginning of Marilyn's dream to help clean out the sagebrush and plant grass in the desert cemetery in Bruneau. The Blacks continued to build their cattle herd and spent every summer in the Owyhee Mountains at the cabin on the Avery place. As time went on. they added sons Burke and Bret and their youngest daughter, Sandy. Marilyn didn't seem to mind hauling water from the creek, cooking on a wood stove or washing diapers endlessly on a scrub board in the creek. She mentioned many times that she considered it a "vacation" with no phone and plenty of time to read in the afternoons when the men were riding and the babies were napping.

Marilyn had the opportunity to show what she was made of when Ace was seriously injured in a car accident near Bruneau in 1968. During the months that Ace was hospitalized and home recovering from his injuries, Marilyn assumed the responsibilities of irrigating, feeding cows, and running the ranch with help from her older children, neighbors, family and friends.

As the older children grew up and moved into their own lives, Ace and Marilyn decided to sell their ranch in the Owyhee Mountains. Instead of life slowing down for Marilyn, she entered into a new chapter of community service. Many residents of Bruneau, as well as strangers passing through have benefited from the volunteer efforts of Marilyn. She was considered

Marilyn Black

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instrumental in organizing the Bruneau Quick Response Unit in 1973 where she served as an EMT for 18 years. Through the years, she helped by checking blood pressures at community events, donating blood, and providing care for many elderly people who had no local family to care for them.

Marilyn was a charter member of the Owyhee County Cowbelle organization, serving as president and many other offices over the years. As a Cowbelle member, Marilyn promoted beef with samples and informational displays in supermarkets and at schools throughout the area. For their many years of service, Marilyn and Ace were awarded the "Honorary Life Members" from the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association at their 2003 summer meeting in Silver City. She was also an active member of the Idaho Cattle Women and National Cattle Women, serving on many state and national committees. Marilyn was honored in 1991 as "Cattle Woman of the Year" at the State Cattlemen's Convention for her dedication to the beef industry.

The love of children that Marilyn held extended beyond her own family to include an active role in the lives of many young people in her community. Over the years, she took in many teens in need of a spot to land during a turbulent time in their young lives. When her daughter expressed an interest in horse 4-H, Marilyn hauled a horse to Grand View for several years so Ann could participate before she decided to help start a horse club in Bruneau. Marilyn served tirelessly as the leader of the Bruneau Sage Riders 4-H Horse Club for over 20 years, many times providing horses, saddles, tack and transportation for children who otherwise would not have been able to participate in the program. Marilyn was a member of the Owyhee County 4-H Horse Leaders for 22 years where she served as Superintendent for 10 years and ran the green gate at the Owyhee County Fair for 17 years. She also served as an advisor to the Rimrock Future Farmers of America, the Rimrock Rodeo Club and she helped with the Bruneau Boy Scouts of America. One of Marilyn's biggest accomplishments for the children of the Bruneau Valley was the construction of the "new" Rimrock Junior-Senior High School. When the Bruneau and Grand View school districts consolidated in the late 1960s, Bruneau High School served as the new Rimrock Junior High School while Grand View High School became Rimrock High School. This change meant that the Grand View and Oreana students were bussed to Bruneau for junior high classes and the Bruneau students were bussed to Grand View for high school for many years. Joining with several other concerned mothers, Marilyn worked tirelessly in their respective communities to pass a bond to build a new school for their children. The bond failed time and time again, but Marilyn did not weaken. She simply would not take "no" for an answer as she went back to knock on the same doors year after year to plead their case for the children. In 1975, the prayers of the mothers were answered when the bond finally passed. Her son Martin was in the first graduating class in 1977 of the "new" Rimrock Junior-Senior High School.

While Marilyn was very diligent and dedicated to many clubs and organizations, her first love was to her Catholic faith and to St. Bridget's Catholic Church in Bruneau. Marilyn had always admired the fact that her mother had faithfully brought her children up in the Catholic faith, even though Maude herself was not raised Catholic. Knowing the impression that faith has on a child's life, Marilyn taught catechism for over 40 years. She was a dedicated member of the St. Bridget's Altar Society and through the church organized Christmas baskets for many years. Ace and Marilyn were very involved in Marriage Encounters and hosted several events at their cabin in the Owyhee Mountains.

During Idaho's Centennial celebration in 1990, Marilyn worked with her family to organize a three-day family reunion on the Joyce Ranch on Sinker Creek. At the reunion, the family was honored as a Centennial Ranch, which had been consistently in family hands since 1865. She also shared in the honor of being a member of an Idaho Pioneer Family — for her mother's side of the family (Carothers and Sothern) and for her father's side (Joyce and Nettleton). Marilyn was very proud of the fact that she never had to have a Social Security number throughout her adult life, because she was never employed outside the home. This did not mean that she didn't work. The Blacks raised their seven children together, which was a full-time job in itself. In addition to her dedication to helping Ace on their ranch and cooking for a crew on a daily basis, Marilyn sewed many clothes for her children and mended jeans endlessly for

her little boys and little tomboy girls. As the grandchildren began to come along, Marilyn found a new joy in her life. Each grandchild had a special place in their Grama's heart, and on her wall of fame. Ace and Marilyn traveled extensively to rodeos, piano recitals, wrestling matches, track meets, band concerts, school plays, basketball, football, volleyball games, and at least a million little league games.

The summer of 1991 brought permanent changes to Marilyn's life as she was diagnosed with a brain tumor. Her hectic schedule changed from family and community service to one revolving around radiation and doctor appointments. Her family and community rallied around Marilyn and paid tribute to her years of service. The Bruneau Rodeo Association honored Marilyn as Grand Marshal of the Bruneau Rodeo for her tireless efforts to solicit money to start the Rodeo back up in the 1980s and the Bruneau EMTs nominated her as the Idaho Statesman's "Portrait of a Distinguished Citizen", among many other celebrations that were given to honor Marilyn's community involvement. But as far as the cancer went, Marilyn continued her tradition of "not taking no for an answer". She surprised doctors by defeating her grim medical prognosis. While the cancer took its toll on Marilyn's health, she continued to help out in ways that she could. Several people have commented over the years that they liked to work with Marilyn on the impossible projects, because they knew if they worked with her, the project would get done. Marilyn always made the best of what she had to work with.

Ace and Marilyn celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary on September 20, 2002 with all of their children and their families and a standing-room only crowd at the Bruneau American Legion Hall. By November of 2004, Marilyn's health had declined to the point that Ace could no longer care for her at home, and she enlarged her family to include the staff at the Cottages in Mountain Home. Shortly afterwards, Ace battled cancer himself and passed away in June of 2005. Marilyn remained strong for her family, and with the love and care of her personal assistant, Amber Castillo, she continued to live a full and happy life at the Cottages. Black was preceded in death by her husband of almost 53 years, Asa Black; two sons, Patrick Paul and A. Lonnie Black; a special grandson, Colt J. Black; her parents, Jim & Maude Nettleton; grandparents, Villo & Maggie Joyce Nettleton, Alfred "Appie" & May Carothers Sothern; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.



Marilyn is survived by her — See Marilyn Black, page 7

Calendar

Today

DivorceCare recovery support group

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

Homedale American Legion meetings

7 p.m., American Legion and Auxiliary meetings, Homedale American Legion Post 32 Hall, 16 E. Owyhee Ave.

Thursday

Exercise class

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

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

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

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

Homedale Rod and Gun Club meeting

7 p.m., Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. E., Homedale. (208) 463-4383

AA meeting

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

Friday

OCHS Bazaar and Christmas Tree sale

Noon to 6 p.m., holiday gift ideas and Charlie Brown Christmas trees, Santa visit, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2122

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

VFW Post 11065 Christmas dinner

6:30 p.m., Marsing Senior Center, 218 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 573-9301

Saturday

OCHS Bazaar and Christmas Tree sale

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., holiday gift ideas and Charlie Brown Christmas trees, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2122

Junior Olympics fundraiser

7 p.m., poker tournament and silent auction, Cowboy Up Saloon, 2 N. Main St., Homedale. (208) 337-3414

Senior center dance

7 p.m., music of Elvie Thomas and Vince Bingham, \$4 and finger foods, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

Monday

Owyhee County Board of Commissioners meeting Courtroom 2, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381

State Hwy. 78, Murphy Healthcare discussion

Senior citizens dinner

- 6 p.m., Rimrock Senior Citizens Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2808
- U.S. 95 corridor public workshop

6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale

Marsing American Legion Auxiliary meeting

7 p.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing Marsing school board meeting

7 p.m., district office board room, 209 8th Ave. W.

AA meeting

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

Wednesday

Farmers Appreciation Day

9 a.m., pesticide license renewal class and lunch, free to farmers, University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4544, ext. 102

Homedale City Council meeting

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

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

Marsing City Council meeting

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

4 p.m., meeting and Christmas potluck, OWC office, 106 Owyhee St., Adrian. (541) 372-5782

Thursday, Dec. 11

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

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children, Terry & Letha Jayo Black of Bruneau, Tony & Charlene Hutton Black of Bruneau, Ann & David Rutan of South Mountain, Martin & Jennifer Maynard Black of Sanger, TX, Burke & Gerri Ihli Black of Nampa, Bret & Kimber Bogue Black of San Luis Obispo, CA, Sandy Black of Bruneau, and daughter-in-law, Elaine Hunt Black of Homedale; grandchildren Marty & John Schutte, Les & Jacque Black, Loni & Ryan Auers, Eko & Matt Fredericksen, Telby Black, Trish Clements, Trina & Jake King, Dennis Rutan, Dana & Billie Rutan, Douglas & Michelle Rutan, Patrick Hipwell, Breann Hipwell, Carlen Hipwell, Will Black, Holly Dobson, Wade & Amaia Black, Sarah Black, Samantha Black, Katelynn Black; great-grandchildren Jick Schutte, Gus & Ira Ace Black, Kole & Kortni Clements, Kati Hopkins, Kadance Fredericksen, Lewis, Riatta, Dally & Ruthie Rutan and Shailee Rutan; her uncle, Bruce Sothern of Minneapolis and Murphy; brothers, Matt & Rosemary Bailey Nettleton of The Dalles, OR, Tim & Charlene Gardner Nettleton, Nick & Betty Ann Walker Nettleton; Ace's siblings, Joe & Margaret Fenwick Black of Indian Cove, Virginia & Clarence Miller of Mountain Home, Bob & Linda Black of Nampa and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

A viewing will be held for family and friends from 4-6 pm on Thursday, December 4 at Rost Funeral Home, 500 N 18th E, Mountain Home with a Rosary following at 6 pm. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 am on Friday, December 5 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 115 N 4th E, Mountain Home. Graveside services will be conducted at noon at the Bruneau Cemetery with a community dinner to follow at the Bruneau American Legion Hall.

Memorials may be given to the Bruneau QRU, PO Box 294, Bruneau, ID 83604; Bruneau Booster Club, c/o Ginny Roeder, 31013 St Hwy 51, Bruneau, ID 83604; or flowers may be sent.

Death notices

MONTE C. DAVIS, 72, of Jordan Valley, Ore., died Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2008, at an Ontario, Ore., care center. Arrangements pending with Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

JACK HAY, 80, of Adrian, Ore., died Thursday, Nov. 27, 2008, at his home. Services pending through Lienkaemper Chapel, Nyssa, Ore.

EARL PICKREL, 99, of Homedale, died Wednesday, Nov. 26, 2008. Graveside services were held Monday, Dec. 1, 2008, at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery. Arrangements by Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

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9:30 a.m., Blue Shield representatives, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Melba school board meeting

4 p.m., district office board room, 600 Broadway Ave.

Homedale school board meeting

7 p.m., district office board room, 116 E. Owyhee Ave.

Tuesday

Exercise class

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

Senior citizens lunch

11:30 a.m., featuring songs from Homedale Elementary School third-graders, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. U.S. 95 corridor public workshop

4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale

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, Dec. 12

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

Drop off information on upcoming events at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to jon(a) owvheeavalanche.com.

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Birth

Heleena Nicole Criffield

Ryan and Rachel Criffield of Homedale announced the birth of a daughter, Heleena Nicole Criffield.

She was born on Oct. 21, 2008, at Mercy Medical Center in Nampa.

At the time of her birth, Heleena Nicole weighed nine pounds, one ounce and measured $20\frac{1}{2}$ inches long.

Heleena Nicole has two sisters,

Shelbie and Emma, and a brother, Ryan Judd.

Maternal grandparents are Manuel Reyes of Melba and the late Charlotte Reyes.

Paternal grandparents are Jim and Carol Criffield and Rita Luna, all of Homedale.

all of Homedale. Sue Moyer is the maternal great

grandmother. The paternal great grandmother is the late Jean Criffield.

Another round of Christmas bazaars kicks off Friday and Saturday with the annual Owyhee County Historical Society Bazaar and Charlie Brown Christmas Tree sale in Murphy.

The bazaar will take place at the Owyhee County Historical Museum from noon to 6 p.m., on Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. The museum is located at 17085 Basey St.

The Charlie Brown Christmas trees are primarily Douglas firs cut from the Owyhee Mountains. Food will be sold both days, and Santa will visit Saturday.

OCHS event tops bazaar agenda

Items for sale at the bazaar will include books, Western crafts, jewelry, art work, collectables and other items. Original artwork Christmas cards will be sold as a fundraiser for Silver City Fire and Rescue Inc.

The museum and its bookstore will be open as well. Call 495-2122 for more information.

Country Christmas Bazaar More than 25 vendors are scheduled to present their wares at the Dec. 12-13 Country Christmas Bazaar at the Homedale Armory.

The bazaar will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 12 and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Dec. 13.

Items include blankets, children's pajamas, children's books and furniture, stocking stuffers, clothing, jewelry, home interior items, purses, woodwork art, baked goods and candy.

Lunch will be available.

For more information, call 989-0814 or 337-3914.

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Elmer L. Moore

Our beloved husband, father, and grandpa lost his battle with Alzheimer's disease on November 25, 2008. Elmer was born Aug. 18, 1920 to William and Anna Moore at Broadwater, Nebraska. He was the second of 8 children and was preceded in death by his parents, sister, Margaret Smith, and brothers Bill and Howard Moore.

Elmer's military career began in 1944 when he joined the Marine Corps and served on the Hawaiian Islands as well as Iwo Jima. He also married during this time to the woman he would be with for the next 64 years. Charlotte M. Frosig and Elmer were married on Jan. 4, 1944 before Elmer shipped out to WWII. After leaving the Marines in 1948, Elmer joined his wife in Homedale. ID where they started their family. He worked for an oil company for a time and then in 1951 he was asked to enlist in the National Guard and become the 1st Sgt. for the new



Armory in Homedale. In 1959, Elmer and family transferred to Grangeville where he continued with the Idaho National Guard as the 1st Sgt. He went to Vietnam in 1968 with the 116th battalion and then retired in 1980.

During his years in Grangeville, Elmer was a member of the volunteer Fire Dept., active with the Elks Lodge for several years, and was a member of the Grangeville Gun Club. He is a lifetime member of the VFW.

Elmer was very involved with his family, community, and was devoted to the Armed Forces and upholding democracy. He is survived by his spouse Charlotte, son Stan and wife Norma Moore, son Timothy and wife Dottie Moore, and his daughter Carol and husband Jim Howe. His adored grandchildren are Darrin, Mike, and Chad Moore, Bambie and Bryant Moore, Pam Wren, Jonna Johnstone, Jason Johnstone, Jennifer Minear, and Jamie Johnstone.

Services will be held at Blackmer Funeral Home in Grangeville, on December 9, at 11am, followed by a no-host covered dish celebration of life at the Grangeville Senior Center immediately following the service. Send condolences to the family to: *Blackmerfuneralhome. com*

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Dec. 3: Chicken nuggets or finger steaks, broccoli, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon roll, milk.

Dec. 4: Chili or beef taco pie, roll, fruit & veggie bar, fruit rollup, milk.

Dec. 5: Pizza or popcorn chicken, salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Dec. 8: Hamburger or fish sandwich, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Dec. 9: Chicken tender or country fried beef steak, mashed potatoes/ gravy, roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 10: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, churro, milk.

Dec. 11: Spaghetti or pizza hot pocket, French bread, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale Middle

Dec. 3: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit rollup, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 4: Idaho haystack or split top sandwich, churro, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 5: Chicken tenders or chicken fried beef steak, mashed potatoes/ gravy, roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 8: Hamburger or hot dog, fries, cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 9: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, cinnamon roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 10: Enchilada or chicken & noodles, corn, turnover, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale High

Dec. 3: Enchilada, burrito or pizza hot pocket, baked potato, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 4: Chicken patty, sandwich & soup or popcorn chicken, potato wedges, turnover, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 5: Crispito or rib-b-que, corn, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 8: Pizza or chicken bacon melt, strawberry shortcake, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 9: Beef nuggets or chicken strips, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 10: Lasagna, burrito or pizza hot pocket, French bread, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Marsing

Dec. 3: Red Baron pizza, salad, sandwiches, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Dec. 4: Hot dog/chili dog, strawberries & bananas, rib-b-que/bun, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Dec. 5: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, chicken salad, wrap, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Dec. 8: Cook's choice.

Dec. 9: Wiener wrap, veggie, dessert, sandwiches, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Dec. 10: Chicken burger, veggie, sandwiches, soup, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.



the Board of Directors for the old Intermountain Seed Company in Homedale. He was presented the Oregon Soil Conservation award once and the Eastern Oregon Dairyman's Award for Excellence twice. He had many friends, was ever ready to chat with neighbors on the road or in the yard, and was generous to those in need. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and traveling. But his heart was always in the land and with his family. Orlee retired in 1980 and traveled couple cast from a capsized boat in the surf. In 1995 ill health forced him to return to the farmhouse, where he has since been nursed in declining health by Ann, ever at his side, supported by his sons and daughter-in-law Irene.

Orlee was preceded in death by his parents Harry and Oda Sipes of Ridgeview, and sisters Curine (Mrs. Melvin Allen) of Caldwell, Juanita (Mrs. George Johnstone) of Homedale, and Chlotine (Mrs. Elmer Varner) of Spokane. A younger sister, Eunice, had died before Orlee was born, while his parents to be were still in Missouri. He is survived by Ann, his wife of 63 years; sons Brett of Kennewick and late of the home, Dirk and wife Irene of Phoenix, and Lee of Caldwell; six grandchildren and 11 greatgrandchildren.

Viewing will be held Friday, December 5 from 4-8pm. Services will be held at the Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Homedale, at 1:00pm Saturday, December 6. Interment will follow at Homedale-Marsing Cemetery.

Haven R.V. Part

Quiet Country Atmosphere

Orlee Sipes, longtime resident of the Ridgeview District in Oregon west of Homedale, Idaho, age 89 years, died of long term heart problems November 30, 2008 at his home. He was an original homesteader on the 500 acres his farm now occupies, breaking it out of sagebrush in the 1930s and '40s.

Orlee was born to a family of 3 sisters July 13, 1919 in Crowley, Colorado, and was raised on a farm there, by parents who were originally from NW Missouri. He was an athlete in High School and academically gifted, graduating Salutatorian. Then, in 1937 his family moved to Ridgeview and began to develop land newly opened to irrigation. He served in WWII, crossing the Atlantic via ship to Agra, India, where in the Army Air Corps he rose to crew chief, maintaining aircraft used to fly over the hump to China. He married Ann Haroldsen of Nyssa in 1945, and they returned to the family farm, raising 3 sons, feed crops, dairy heifers, and later building a double-eight grade A dairy barn. Orlee served as board chairman of the Ridgeview School District, on the water board for Owyhee project, and on

by motor home for 17 years, spending most winters at Kino Bay, near Hermisillo, Mexico, where he once saved the lives of a Luncheon-reception will follow at 3:00pm at the Homedale Senior Citizens Center for all friends and family.

VFW dinner set Friday at Marsing Senior Center

Wilder VFW Post 11065, which draws members from Homedale, Marsing, Greenleaf, Parma and Wilder, will present its annual Christmas dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Friday at the Marsing Senior Center, 218 W. Main St.

The location was incorrectly reported in last week's Avalanche.

The dinner is open to VFW members and guests. Call Scott Syme at 573-9301 for tickets.

The winner of the post's Patriots Pen essay contest and the winner of the shotgun raffle will be announced.



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Folks worth knowing in Owyhee County

Rowdy Lair, Homedale Civil Air Patrol cadet

Know someone worth knowing? Contact the Avalanche with feature ideas at jon@owyheeavalanche.com or (208) 337-4681.

Student aims high with Civil Air Patrol

HHS senior sets sights on Air Force career after climbing junior ranks

Rowdy Lair filed his flight plan for life rather early.

In fact he was five or six when he saw his path.

"I've basically known I wanted to go into the Air Force as an engineer since the first grade," the Homedale High School senior said.

Now, a dozen years since that first-grade field trip to Gowen Field to see A-10 jets and Apache

helicopters, Rowdy is a top-ranking junior officer in the Civil Air Patrol's Boise Composite Squadron, which is based out of Gowen Field.

And the cadet commander — the equivalent of a second lieutenant — even has his mother, Brenda, Rowdy Lair

involved in the CAP, also at the rank of second lieutenant

"Because I joined up, she still had to drive me over to the meetings," Rowdy said. "So she signed up, too."

Now Brenda is the deputy commander of cadets, and his Rowdy's supervising officer.

"It's been good. We really enjoy it," Rowdy said. "It's her and my thing together."

Rowdy's younger brother, Tanner, was involved with the Civil Air Patrol briefly, too.

The cadet program is one of four main missions for the Civil Air Patrol, Rowdy said, adding that CAP is a direct auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force. The other missions are aerospace education, homeland security and assisting in search and rescue operations.

Rowdy plans to tackle a

mechanical engineering degree at the University of Idaho with an eye toward a career as an aeronautical engineer in the Air Force. He recently interviewed for an Air Force scholarship, which would place him in the U of I ROTC program. Rowdy wants to become a pilot, which would mean a seven-year officer's commission in the Air Force to fulfill his scholarship requirements.

> He said as an aeronautical engineer and a pilot, he will be able to test the aircraft he helps design, much like legendary test pilot Chuck Yeager did in his career.

A military life hasn't been a snap judgment for Lair, whose grandfather served with the Central Intelligence Agency in

Thailand and whose father was in the Army ROTC.

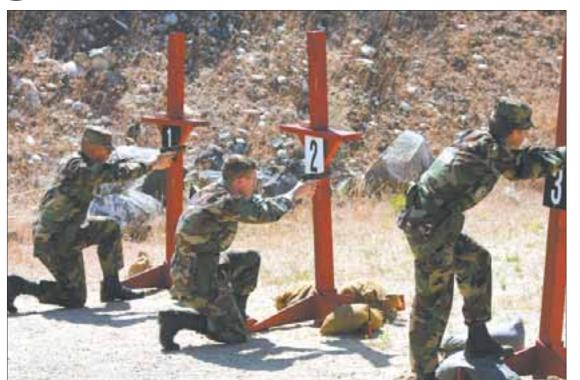
"I kind of just made up my mind in first grade, and Mom made sure I was taking all the right classes," Rowdy said. "I've always been interested in math and science, and I've always been interested in aircraft."

Rowdy has spent the past 11 years in Homedale, and when it looked like his math grades wouldn't keep him on his path, he doubled up on the subject as a freshman at HHS.

Rowdy's mom has been with him every step of the way.

He got hooked on the idea of being a part of the Civil Air Patrol while visiting an air show at Nampa Municipal Airport when he was 15.

"Mom had heard about it. Then





we went to the Nampa air show and saw the cadets in their BDUs (battle dress uniforms)," Rowdy said. "It really impressed us. The next week was the (2005 Civil Air Patrol cadet encampment)."

Since then, Rowdy has jumped into the life with both feet. He attended a National Flight Academy for Gliders in the summer of 2006 in Rome, Ga., in which he garnered 30 hours of flight time and earned his pre-solo wings after a qualifying flight in a tandem glider.

Nowadays, as cadet commander, Rowdy is responsible for communicating with cadets in the Boise Composite Squadron. He organizes meetings and sets the agenda when the cadets meet each Tuesday at Gowen Field in Boise.

During the winter, those

Cadet Lair goes through paces

Top: Rowdy Lair, station No. 1, and other cadets take part in a rare exercise of firing military M-9s. The activity is allowed only once a year. Photo by Loucendy Ball. **Left:** Lair, far left, leads a group of cadets in a map training exercise in June. Photo by Tanner Lair

meetings generally are devoted to testing in leadership, aerospace and physical training. Summer meetings include class work as well as field training for search and rescue. Cadets have been used as enemy ground forces during an air support training exercise for the Air Force and Idaho Air National Guard, Rowdy said.

— JPB

Young Adrian, Jordan Valley producers earn heifers

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Malheur Cattlemen award fair projects

Jordan Valley and Adrian youngsters were awarded heifers last month as part of the newly instituted Malheur County Cattlemen's Association Beef Heifer Replacement Program.

Cody Berrett of Jordan Valley and Adrian girls Quincy and Maddy Pendergrass and Jessica Morton received heifers from MCCA-member ranchers. The animals will serve as the youngsters' fair projects for the next two years.

The children learned that they were winners of the heifers during the MCCA's annual meeting Oct. 23 in Ontario, Ore.

Quincy Pendergrass received a heifer from Silas and Tracy Skinner of Jordan Valley. Cook Herefords owners Cliff and Gayle Cook of Vale, donated Maddy Pendergrass' heifer. Berrett's heifer was donated by Delbert and Alice Scott of Ironside, and Morton received her animal from Mackenzie Ranches of Baker City, which is run by Wannie and Beth Mackenzie.

Association secretary Anna-Marie Chamberlain said the Cattlemen wanted to thank those ranchers who donated heifers as well as Genex Cooperative Inc., which has offered to donate two straws of semen for each heifer.

"Hopefully, the students will have great success with their new projects," Chamberlain said.

Also at the meeting, Wannie Mackenzie, whose hometown is listed as Jordan Valley by the MCCA, is the current association president. His term ends next year.



Ranchers help out future producers

Left: Jordan Valley's Cody Berrett, left, chats with Delbert Scott of Ironside, Ore., after Scott and his wife, Alice, donated a replacement heifer for Berrett's next Malheur County Fair project. **Right:** Malheur County Cattlemen's Association president Wannie Mackenzie, right, donated a replacement heifer to Adrian's Jessica Morton on behalf of his Mackenzie Ranches of Baker City, Ore. Submitted photos

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Children's theatre ATV/OHV owners need title rolls into Marsing to register for plates next year

by Teri Belle Smit

Audiences of all ages will get a fresh look at an age-old favorite in Marsing on Saturday when the Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) and more than 50 local students present The Little Mermaid. The local cast features students in grades kindergarten through 12th who are spending the week learning their roles and rehearsing for two performances this weekend.

The performances will be at 3 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. inside the Marsing School Cafeteria. Tickets are available at the door and cost \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and children age 8-17. Children under 8 years old are free. The Marsing PTA is sponsoring this performance, with assistance from the City of Marsing. For more information, call 454-5404.

The Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT), the nation's largest touring children's theatre, has been touring extensively for 35 years from Montana to Japan, and will visit more than 1,200 communities this year with 36 teams of Tour Actor/Directors. The renowned "Little Red Truck" of MCT rolled into Marsing on Sunday night bringing Actor/ Directors Jason Studley and Gregory Kanter as well as the set, lights, costumes, props and makeup — everything it takes to put on a play, except the cast. Auditions were held Monday at the Marsing School Cafeteria, followed by the first rehearsal.

All MCT shows are original adaptations of classic children's stories and fairy tales — a twist on the classic stories that people know and love. Also included in the MCT residency are enrichment workshops presented by Studley and Kanter. On Tuesday, Marsing middle school and high school students attended a 45-minute workshop called "Improvisation", which teaches students how to act without a script. At 9:30 a.m., today, Marsing fifth-grade class attended a 45-minute workshop called "The Actor's Tools", which teaches students observation, memorization, concentration and imagination using a variety of fun exercises.

Marsing School District superintendent Harold Shockley is pleased to have MCT in town.

"For six to eight years, I've watched the phenomenal way that MCT works with children of all ages and skill levels to produce a fairly polished performance in one short week," Shockley said. "I've watched the excitement of the students as they participate in MCT's performances, and I've also seen the benefits that students gain from their experience."

Creativity, social skills, goal achievement, communication skills and self-esteem are all characteristics that are attained through participation in this unique, educational project. MCT's mission is the development of life skills in children through participation in the performing arts. The organization also has day camps and summer camps. More information is available by calling (406) 728-1911 or visiting the MCT Web site at www.mctinc. org.

Owners of ATVs and other offroad multiwheelers are approaching the January 1 requirement for restricted vehicle license plates. Those wanting to avoid a citation should take their title to their local Department of Motor Vehicles office and register their vehicle. Plates should be arriving at the offices by late December.

Marsing's Motor Vehicles department breaks down the costs as follows:

The plate itself is a \$3 one-time cost, in addition to the usual \$10 yearly registration tag.

If you own an older ATV that predates titles, or don't have a title for whatever reason, you will have to bring the vehicle to the licensing office for a Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) inspection, sign an affidavit as to your ownership and pay \$8 for the title application and \$3 for the VIN inspection.

While the new law will make some extra work for some owners — chiefly those who have misplaced their paperwork — it will be a boon to law enforcement, allowing officers to identify owners much more easily.

"This is going to be good," Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Bruce Cameron said of the law. "Gary (Aman, sheriff) and George (Reed, backcountry deputy) were the founding fathers of that overhaul (of previous law). They got together and brainstormed how to make it easier. There were so many conflicting regulations and rules from county

to county. Now there's statewide unity in the regulation process."

For ATVs without titles, owners should bring a certificate of origin for the vehicle when presenting it for its VIN inspection, the county assessor's office warned. Post 1991 ATVs require either a title or a certificate of origin - without either the assessor must try to contact the original seller and verify ownership, a process which can take months.

ATVs licensed out of state will require a VIN inspection even if titled.

New ATVs without a title will also face sales tax charges unless the owner has a receipt showing that tax has, in fact, been paid on the vehicle.

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Legion Auxiliary set to serve Christmas dinner

The Homedale American Legion Post 32 Auxiliary once again invites the public to its annual Christmas dinner, which will be served at 5 p.m. on Saturday at 16 W. Owyhee Ave.

The menu is smoked turkey, ham and all the trimmings. Dodish, too.

Santa Claus will make an ap-

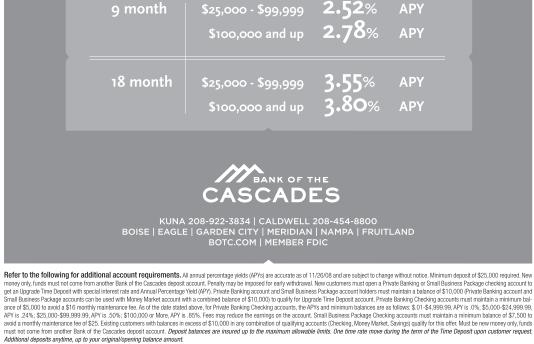
pearance at 6 p.m. with treats for children younger than 12. For more information, call

Carolyn Grooms at 249-6021. The Homedale American Le-

gion and Auxiliary meet on the nations will be accepted but first Wednesday each month. The aren't necessary. Attendees are next meetings are 7 p.m. today

encouraged to bring a covered inside the Legion hall.





Owyhee lawmen prepare for Shop with a Cop event

Law enforcement officials in Owyhee County will take part in the annual Shop with a Cop outreach program Saturday in two different locations in the Treasure Valley.

The Homedale City Council approved \$450 from its Civic Pride Fund to sponsor three city children during the annual trip on behalf of the Homedale Police Department. The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office also will sponsor about 10 children, according to Chief Deputy Bruce Cameron.

The Shop with a Cop program allows disadvantaged children ages 7-12 to buy Christmas presents for their families, while retail organizers K-Mart in Nampa and Wal-Mart in Mountain Home also make donations so each child gets a Christmas gift.

Cameron said the sheriff's office will spend about \$1,000 out of its child safety fund for this year's event.

The City of Homedale will sponsor three children from town, and HPD personnel will be on hand to escort the kids to breakfast and then on to the Nampa K-Mart. Children shop for their families and then receive a gift from the K-Mart staff. But K-Mart coordinator Katie Nance said the children often have to be talked out of using some of their money to buy for their law enforcement escorts.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller initially requested sponsorship money for two children, but council president Dave Downum suggested the city pay for three children. Eidemiller said that additional Homedale children will take part in Shop with a Cop with funding coming from other sources.

"We want to help K-Mart defray the costs," Eidemiller said. "They raise a tremendous amount of money each year for it."



The Jacksons Texaco in Homedale suffered some Thanksgiving day damage shortly before 3 p.m., when a customer's brakes failed and a Ford Bronco struck the west side of the building. The impact dislodged and fractured the stone blocks forming the wall of the store, and possibly damaged the studs within the wall as well, according to a Homedale Police Department report.

All parties involved were insured, authorities said. The costs to repair the wall is not yet known, though police estimates put damage of the building at around \$25,000, and of the Bronco at about \$50.

DeRuyter Dairy to replace couple's diesel-soaked lawn

Allan, who live at 4999 Jump Creek Road in Homedale, will be getting a new lawn following an accident in which a 500-gallon diesel tank was involved in a crash

The tank was stowed on a trailer that detached from a DeRuyter Dairy pickup truck. The trailer and tank then crossed a ditch and spilled in the home's front lawn around 9:30 Friday morning.

Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies cited the driver of the truck, Juan O. Ramirez, for leaving the scene of an accident.

Hays said the accident was a lucky one, in that the trailer hit and

Marsha Havs and husband dug into a ditch upon leaving the ended up right in the yard." road, slowing it considerably. The tank rolled between the home's forsythia bushes — leaving them untouched— and came to a rest just five feet from the house.

"It could have been a lot worse," she said. "We got very lucky."

It's not the first time Hays has had trailer issues on this particular stretch of Jump Creek Road. In the past, a pickup towing a powerboat lost its trailer, which wound up, boat and all, far out in the middle of an adjoining field. On another occasion, a driver lost an entire trailer of irrigation pipe.

"We're surrounded by fields," Hays mused. "And it (the tank)

Chief Deputy Bruce Cameron said that the spill will require the removal of the lawn and topsoil, and its replacement. He said that Marsing-based DeRuyter Dairy has promised to pick up the tab for the cleanup.

Loren McIntyre, farm manager for DeRuyter, confirmed that the company will be replacing the lawn, and a crew already has removed the contaminated soil. The dairy will hire a professional landscaper to repair the damage. "We'll just try to make it right," McIntyre said.

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Courts roundup

Tony Lopez, the Homedale man accused of malicious injury to property stemming from an incident involving a campaign sign, is due in court today for a pre-trial conference. Lopez's hearing is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m. inside the Magistrate courtroom in Homedale.

Last month, Lopez entered a not guilty plea to a complaint signed by then-sheriff candidate Daryl Crandall. The complaint alleges Lopez defaced a Crandall for Sheriff sign by marking a large circle with a slash through it. Crandall won the Nov. 4 sheriff's election.

Also scheduled for the Homedale docket today:

Angelique Tye-Nix, accused of battery and resisting or obstructing officers in an incident across Idaho Avenue from Homedale High School in early September, is slated for her pre-trial conference today in Homedale magistrate court. Witnesses said she was kicking her boyfriend, Shannon Burton, as he drove a Ford pickup and pulled a trailer east on East Idaho Avenue. Authorities said Nix's children were in the pickup at the time.

Homedale Police Officer Mike McFetridge responded to the incident and talked to both Burton and Nix. When the officer attempted to handcuff Nix, she began to fight him.

Thiele is not done with the courts. On Monday, he will be arraigned on three counts of theft by deception and three counts of forgery in connection with a series of forged check incidents.

Marsing's Matthew Tincher, who was arrested on Sept. 3 for felony theft by extortion, had the case dismissed by the court. Tincher will also be back, and is slated for an evidentiary hearing on Monday for charges of DUI, violation of his drivers license, leaving the scene of an accident and misdemeanor probation violation.

The pair charged in the animal cruelty case this past winter, Deborah Hopson and Zachariah Robinson, will attend a status hearing on Monday as well.

Juan Carlos Meza, the accused in the July 12 shooting in Homedale on Owyhee Avenue, was scheduled for a preliminary hearing Dec. 1 in Murphy before Judge Dan C. Grober on two charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Results from the hearing weren't available at press time.

Meza is accused of firing sev eral bullets in the incident, one of which passed through the cab of a pickup carrying two adults and 10 children.



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The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) is conducting a study to identify future improvements to U.S. 95. The study limits extend from Pinehurst at the Idaho/Adams county line to the Oregon state line in Owyhee County.

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TUESDAY, DEC. 9, 2008

Homedale Senior Center 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale, ID 1st workshop: 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. OR 2nd workshop: 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The workshops will give you an opportunity to learn about the U.S. 95 Corridor Study, identify corridor needs, and give input.

The Dec. 9 workshops are part of a series of meetings planned throughout the region for the U.S. 95 Corridor Study.

Persons needing an interpreter or special accommodations are urged to contact the Public Involvement Coordinator at 208-334-4444 or TDD/TDY 208-334-4458.

Se les recomienda a las personas que necesiten un intérprete o arreglos especiales que llamen al coordinador de participación público al (208) 334-4444 ó TDD/TDY (208) 334-4458.

In other cases before the Owyhee County Court: Dean S. Thiele of Wilder on Nov. 24 was found guilty of misdemeanor charges of second-degree stalking and harassing/threatening phone calls in a case involving his girlfriend in Homedale connected. Thiele was originally charged on Sept. 22. Thiele will serve no jail time other than the two days he served awaiting trial, will pay \$550 in fines and court fees. Two other phone harassment charges were dismissed.

Jason I. Puri of Wilder lost his license for six months following judgment on a DUI offense issued Sept. 20. Puri will be on probation for a year, will serve two days in jail and faces fines and court costs of \$520.

Mark H. Jensen of Middleton was also found guilty of an underage DUI, on a citation issued in August 2007. Jensen lost his license for a year, will be on probation for an equal period, and must pay \$400 in fines and court costs.

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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation Web site showed that, as of Monday morning, Owyhee Reservoir was 24 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 155 cubic feet per second (cfs). Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore. at a rate of 34cfs. The reservoir held 168,244 acre-feet of water, of a maximum 715,000.

The following statistics were gathered from the National Resources Conservation Service Web site at 8:30 a.m. Monday (Year-to-date precipitation is measured from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.)

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Owyhee Basin sees above-average rainfall

lagged in the majority of Oregon, the Owyhee Basin is ahead of the curve, with 112 percent of average rainfall as of November according to data from the National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). The rainfall numbers reflect well compared to neighboring Malheur basin's poor year; only 73 percent of normal.

The abundant rainfall in the basin, which saw normal levels of retention in reservoirs this year, bodes well for water

Though precipitation has availability next year, should the trend continue, though the NRCS cautions that it's too early to make reliable predictions. Owyhee Basic feeds the Owyhee Reservoir, the 715,000 acrefoot capacity of which is the water source for local agriculture serviced by the South Board of Control

> The majority of Idaho has seen an average year thus far, according to the organization, with precipitation at 97 percent of average yearly numbers overall.

Owyhee makes its mark on ICA board of directors

The annual convention of the Director Celia Gould and state Nov. 17-19 in Ketchum, but had several ties to Owyhee County and the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association.

Idaho Cattle Association was held Attorney General Lawrence Wasden, both of whom have Owyhee ties.



Foreign teens study at Adrian High

Adrian High School is hosting 13 exchange students from across the globe for the 2008-09 school year. Students experiencing the American way of life include:

Front row, from left: Sakoltath "Toy" Prayoonrat, Thailand; Lois Adam, Belguim; Rodrigo Magri, Brazil; Roman Voigt, Germany; Matthias Lorenz, Germany;

Middle row, from left: Te "Peter" Zheng, China; Kee Sung Pyun, South Korea; Edison Puebla, Ecuador;

Back row, from left: Katharina Kusch, Germany; Lene Bratlie, Norway; Karolina Wojdyla, Poland; Tais Grote, Brazil; Nga "Teddy" Tran, Vietnam. AHS Photography

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Former OCA president Charlie Lyons was elected vice-president of the statewide cattlemen's organization, while Grand View's Aron Bennett was elected to the board of directors and Owyhee Cattlemen's Association member Charlie Lyons was elected vicepresident.

Rogerson's Jared Brackett was re-elected for a second term on the board of directors to represent Southwest/Southern Idaho.

More than 25 producers attended the convention at the Sun Valley Resort, which featured among the keynote speakers Idaho State Department of Agriculture

Among the policies adopted by the ICA that will have a direct effect on Owyhee ranchers was the proposal to seek state funding for sage-grouse conservation projects and to establish a statewide Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCAA).

The ICA also adopted a strong opposition to a draft Humane Society animal rights bill while giving the ICA Board discretionary authority to review and form a position on other animal abuse legislation that may be introduced.

— Baxter Black takes a look at Country Of Origin Labeling (COOL), Page 18

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Homedale Lions win Caldwell Optimist football title

The Homedale Lions fifth- and sixth-grade team won the youth football championship last month. **Back** row, coaches from left: Dwayne Fisher, Tony Lowder and Dave Freelove. Third row, from left: Matthew Garrison, Joey Reyes, Brady Hansen, Kyle Orris and David Chavez. Second row, from left: Kyler Landa, Bryce Hellman, William Elordi, Dylan Phariss, Devon Schoonover, Marcus Harden and Devon Fisher. Front row, from left: Adam Campos, Chase Martell, Dillon Lowder, Noah Freelove, Brandon Sheley, Lance Eaton and Andy Montes. Submitted photo

Homedale wins another Optimist football crown

A Homedale team has won the Caldwell Optimist League football championship for fifthand sixth-graders for the third time in four years.

The Homedale Lions, coached by Dave Freelove, Dwayne Fisher and Tony Lowder, finished the season undefeated with a 7-0 record.

The team, sponsored by the Homedale Lions Club, was one of two Homedale squads in the division for 11- to 12-year-olds. The Caldwell Lions, comprised of Homedale players, finished fourth in the league after a 19-18 loss to Caldwell Kiwanis in the first round of the playoffs on Oct. 22. Shane Brown, Chad Carter, Mike Matteson, Roger Westergard and Dirk Tolmie coached the Caldwell Lions to a 6-2 mark.

The Homedale Lions wrapped up their championship with a 13-6 victory over Caldwell Kiwanis in the Oct. 29 title game.

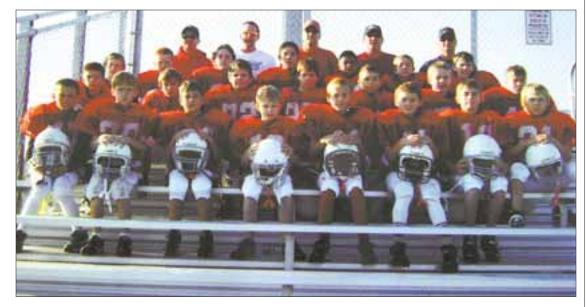
"They were a tough group of kids," Freelove said of the Lions. "They played with heard and they worked hard."

More success is expected next year. Freelove said that only six of the 19 players were playing their

final year of Optimist football. The other 13 will be back for another year, while the half-dozen 12-year-olds could move on to play for the Homedale Middle School squad next season. This year's seventh-grade squad at HMS played for the Snake River Valley conference championship and featured previous Optimist champions.

The Homedale Lions' season began on Sept. 27 with a 13-6 win over the same Caldwell Kiwanis team that Homedale would meet

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Trojans tackle jamboree

Senior guard Ben Fierro lays up two points after a steal during a boys' basketball jamboree in Parma. Homedale High School defeated Marsing and Emmett on Nov. 24. Photo by Gregg Garrett

Boys' basketball

season set to tip

Experienced Trojans look to close deal

Kenny Thomas and his Homedale High School boys' basketball players are another year wiser, experienced and confident.

"On the floor, the kids are experienced," Thomas said heading into his third season at the helm.

'We've always had good kids, but there's been a core group of kids this year - Ryan Garrett, Tyler Gibson and Austin Emry who didn't play fall sports. The focus has been better this year than in the past just as far as really concentrating on basketball." Thomas believes that renewed focus and the bitter experience of an 0-8 3A Snake River Valley Conference season a year ago will be the impetus that makes the Trojans competitive this season. He also thinks that playing a newly christened 3A squad like Wendell will help prepare for a grueling conference season, too.

New Huskies coach looks for solid season

When preseason practice began for the Marsing High School boys' basketball team last month, it marked the first appearance on the floor of new varsity coach J.W. Chadez, as well as Lamon Loucks in his new role as junior varsity coach. Ron Folwell is back in the saddle as JV-B coach. All three had positive things to say about

Homedale players finish fourth under Caldwell Lions banner

The 2008 Caldwell Lions, which was a Homedale-based team in the Caldwell Optimist League, included: **Back row, coaches, from left:** Shane Brown, Roger Westergard, Chad Carter, Mike Matteson and Dirk Tolmie. **Third row, from left:** Benny Schamber, Dylan Burks, Curtis Westergard, Jose Lopez, Jonathan Villarreal, Clay Carbone and Hayden Brattin. **Second row, from left:** Brady Brown, Tristan Critchfield, Colton Grimm, Josh Tolmie, Darius Franklin, Brandon Miller and Gabe Fox. **Front row, from left:** Riley Christoffersen, Matt Thatcher, John Clapier, Jacob Christensen, Conner Carter, Garrett Carter, Lawsen Matteson and Nash Johnson

Submitted photo

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NEXT WEEK

the season and the team.

Folwell said nearly 30 students came out for the team this year, with the bulk being returning players, with just four or five freshmen added to the mix. That turnout will give the varsity and JV squads eight or nine players each, he said, with the remainder making up a deep JV-B squad.

"It's going to be nice," Folwell said of the depth he had.

Chadez, while new in his role as head coach in Marsing, isn't new to the courts. He coached

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 $_{bhoto}$ A look at the Rimrock boys' and girls' squads.

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"I think we have to gain a winning mentality," the coach said. "We have the ability to win. It's just the mental toughness to be able to withstand a good team's run or a poor night of shooting.

The Trojans welcome four players who started during a 10-13 campaign last season, and Thomas asserts that rebounding could be a bright spot.

Returning starters include 6-foot-5 senior post Grant Sweet, 6-3 senior post Tyler Gibson, 6-2 senior wing Emry and 5-11 senior guard Ryan Garrett.

Junior wings Reece Landa (6-0) and Alex Mereness (5-11) come up from the junior varsity, too, to

join holdovers Ben Fierro (5-10, sr., guard), Mitch Quintana (5-9, sr., guard) and Rodrigo Villarreal (6-0, sr., wing).

Throw in juniors Ryan Ryska (5-11, point guard) and Justin Harrell (6-1, post) — both strong scorers for a JV squad that won 10 of its first 12 a year ago — and one starts to see Thomas' luxuries.

Thomas sees less pressure on Emry to get something going.

"Our strength will be being able to go with the hot hand, whoever has a hot hand, and not having to worry about it," Thomas said.

"Another year of experience has given the kids more confidence in themselves."

— JPB

Huskies: Depth a luxury

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at Vallivue for four years, and in Caldwell for five. This season will mark his first career decade as a hoops coach. Chadez takes over for Jake Walgamott, who stepped down as boys' coach when he became football coach and athletic director at Marsing.

When asked why they entered the coaching field in the first place, all three coaches laughed when Loucks offered "for the money

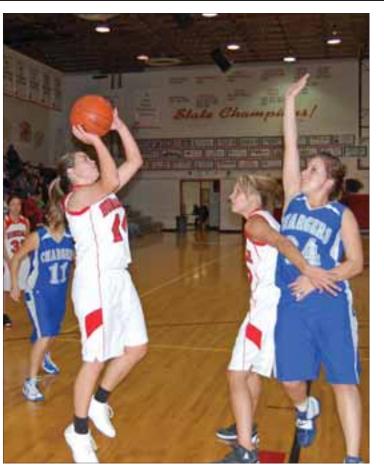
and the glory." Chadez said he has always been an athlete, and coaching was a natural choice for anyone with his love of the sport and the competitive atmosphere.

Chadez is happy to have 17 or 18 returning vets to look to.

"They're all capable of playing, and I think our depth will be our key. We're not that big, but we will be well-balanced, and we're fairly quick," Chadez said.

- MML





Trojans find the mark

Homedale's Kendall Rupp takes a shot as Rachelle Christoffersen screens out Cole Valley Christian's Shantel Vanderweil.

Trojans get first victory

Jessica Eubanks scored nine points and Kendall Rupp added eight on Nov. 25 as Homedale High School collected its first girls' basketball victory, 45-35, over visiting Cole Valley Christian.

The Chargers were led by 10 points by Susanna Sacht and nine from Shantel Vanderweil.

"At times we look real good, and at times we don't," Homedale coach Jeremy Chamberlain said. "We need to be more consistent at that end of the floor. No matter how the game looked, we got a much needed win for our team."

Rimrock 51, GSA 33

Junior post Anna Cantrell missed the game, but the Raiders used shutout defense in the second quarter to rout the Jaguars in Bruneau. Kaile Murray scored 12 points, and Jackie Thurman added 11 to lead a balanced attack for the Raiders (4-1).



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in the title game a month later.

The Homedale Lions only gave up 12 points in six regular-season games before surrendering 18 in the playoffs.

The Homedale Lions' other victories included: 33-0 over Three Rivers in Parma; 24-0 over Dakan in Homedale; 27-6 over Pioneer Title at Vallivue High School; 26-0 over Crookham in Notus; and 40-12 over United Metals in Homedale in the first round of the playoffs.

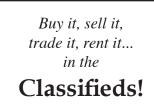
The Caldwell Lions were unbeaten through five regularseason games before their onepoint loss to Caldwell Kiwanis in the first round of the playoffs.

The Caldwell Lions' wins included a 27-12 victory over United Metals; a 19-0 win over the Parma Lions; a 14-0 win over PAL; a 13-0 win over the Caldwell Rotary; and a 26-0 victory over Symms.

After the season, Freelove helped coach the Optimist Lightweight (100 pounds and lighter) All-Stars. In his third time coaching an all-star team, Freelove saw his squad fall, 13-12, at Caldwell High School on Nov. 8.

Josh Tolmie and Brady Brown from the Caldwell Lions and Noah Freelove and Devon Fisher from the Homedale Lions played on Freelove's all-star team.

— JPB





2008 Marsing Optimist Lions

Front row, from left: Mackenzi Bascue and Fallen Wasson. Second row, from left: Jadyn Cantue, Chase Rhoades, Luis Rodriguez, Lorenzo Lankow, Noah Grossman and Montana Wasson. Third row, from left: Cloe Archer, Tristan Newman, Jose Martinez, Brent Evans, Wyatt Ashby, Micheal Bennion, Quinton Yuill and Nikki Gonzales. Fourth row, from left: Conner Rhodes, Aaron Draper, Bo Jenkins, Brandon Gaskin, Garret Briggs, Matt Renz and Jakobee Osborn. Back row, from left: Cheer coach Misti Pacini, head coach Jim Briggs, assistant coach Rick Sullivan, assistant coach, Dennis Shipley, league secretary Sarah Grossman, assistant coach Herman Martinez, and assistant coach Misti Shipley. Submitted photo



2008 Marsing Optimist Raptors

Front row, from left: Korbin Osbourne, Scotty Andrus, Andy Saenz, Matt Park, Connor Guzman, Seth Green and Cody Kent. Second row, from left: Tanner Allen, Jordan Pacini, Tyler Hardy, Michael Burtchett, Clay King, Marcos Quebrado and Coty Ford. Third row, from left: John Collett, Nicholas Lankow, Jacob Ricshe, Richard Symms, A J Burtchett, Brett Grossman, Brody Ashby, Dylan Adams and Justin Mckey. Back row, from left: League secretary Sarah Grossman, coaches Jim King, Dan Collett, Jennifer Jerome, Lee Green and Richard Pacini. (Cheerleaders not identified) Submitted photo



Public Notice of Intent To Propose Or Promulgate New Or Changed Agency Rules

The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the latest publication of the state Administrative Bulletin.

The written comment deadline is December 24, 2008, unless otherwise listed. (Temp & Prop) indicates the rule is both temporary and proposed. **(*PH) indicates that a public hearing has been scheduled.

IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036

16-0414-0801, Rules Governing Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program. (Temp & Prop) Expands this energy program to assist more low-income families with their home heating costs.

IDAPA 24 – BUREAU OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES 1109 Main St., Ste 220, Boise, ID 83702

24-0701-0801, Rules of the Idaho State Board of Landscape Architects. (Temp & Prop) Corrects the version date of the amended rules of responsibility that are incorporated by reference and referenced incorrectly in Subsection 425.01.

IDAPA 58 – DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706-1255

****58-0101-0702**, *Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho*. (*PH) To avoid an ozone nonattainment designation by the U.S. EPA in the Treasure Valley, changes would reduce VOC (volatile organic compound) emissions through the installation and operation of Stage 1 vapor collection equipment which will reduce VOC emissions by over 1,000 tons per year. Comment by: 12/9/08.

THE FOLLOWING TEMPORARY RULE HAS BEEN ADOPTED:

IDAPA 35 – Idaho State Tax Commission 35-0201-0802, Tax Commission Administration and Enforcement Rules

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR THE FOLLOWING: IDAPA 58 –Departmentof Environmental Quality

58-0102-0801, Water Quality Standards

58-0116-0802, Wastewater Rules

Please refer to the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **December 3**, **2008**, **Volume 08-12** for notices and text of all rulemakings, public hearings and negoitated meeting schedules, Governor's executive orders, and agency contact information.

Issues of the Idaho Administrative Bulletin can be viewed at the county law library or online.

To view the Bulletin or Code or for information on purchasing the Bulletin and other rules publications, visit our website at www.adm.idaho.gov/adminrules/ or call (208) 332-1820 or write the Dept. of Administration, Office of Administrative Rules, 650 W. State St., Room 100, Boise, ID 83720-0306.

2008 Marsing Optimist Mavricks

Front row, from left: Ashley Loucks, Lexi Loucks, Daisy Quebrado, Emma Loucks and Halli Enrico. Second row, from left: Cole Rhodes, Jacob Collett, Tanner Hardy, Enrique Quebrado and Seth Andrus. Third row, from left: Cami Bartlett, Seth Black, Joey Park, Joseph Ineck, Tyler Wood, Quinton Bennion, Jaden Kinney, Blake Bartlett and Leanna Hopkins. Back row, from left: Coaches Aaron Bennion, Jose Quebrado, league secretary Sarah Grossman, coaches Melissa Loucks, Ken Parks and Jason Ineck. Submitted photo

Auction to help send runner to nationals

The Cowboy Up Saloon in Homedale will host a fundraiser poker night and silent auction on Saturday.

The festivities begin at 7 p.m. at the saloon, 2 N. Main St. Proceeds will help the daughter of Cowboy Up bartender Kim Carson, former Homedale resident Maddie Carson, travel to compete in the National Junior Olympic Cross Country Championships. The meet takes place Dec. 13 in Mechanicsville, Va. Maddie Carson is a Vallivue High School student and the daughter of Kim and Greg Carson.

Local businesses have made several donations for the silent auction.

For more information, call Kim at 337-3414.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

December 7, 1983

School service levy election set for Dec. 15

Nearly a decade has passed since Homedale School District voters first approved participation in a school services agency.

That vote thrust Homedale, along with six other southwestern Idaho school districts, into a joint education venture unique in the state.

That 10-year-old voter approval authorized the Homedale Board of Education to levy taxes for funding student access to a broad range of special educational services and opportunities on a shared, low per-pupil cost basis.

AND, THE result has been that consistently, nearly 30 percent of the eligible students in the Homedale School District have taken advantage of special education services usually reserved for this country's large, metropolitan area students.

On Thursday, Dec. 15, Homedale School District voters will be asked, for only the second time in the system's history, to approve a levy that would enable the school board to review student participation for another 10 years.

The levy election, which is scheduled for 1pm to 8pm at two district polling places — the school board room at the Homedale Junior High school and Garrett's Warehouse in Canyon County, is permissive.

And if approved by voters, the permissive question would extend for another decade the school board's authority to levy for shared Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency costs at a level no greater than the current 10-year-old tax burden fro the program.

Valley bull rider in tie-up

A Homedale bull rider has tied for third place in the National Finals Rodeo in Oklahoma City.

John Davis tied for third Sunday, scoring 75 points aboard Broger Red to earn \$932 and the third-place tie.

The Homedale bull rider had led the world standings until leaving the circuit in September to heal an injured shoulder.

Cory Snyder, Red Cliff, Alberta, won the bull riding event with 80 points and now leads the world standings. Snyder rode Poison Ivy Sunday.

In other National Finals Rodeo action, a Caldwell man, Dee Pickett, and his Oregon partner, Mike Beers, won the first go-round in team roping with a time of 0:05.9.

However, the team took a 5-second penalty for hitting only one leg.

City man seeks post

A Homedale man is seeking the position of Owyhee County Coroner.

Harold "Mick" Craven of Homedale has submitted an Owyhee County Republican Central Committee nominating letter to the Owyhee County Commissioners.

The letter nominates Craven for the position vacated recently by David Campbell, who moved from the county. Deputy Coroner Kenny White has been serving in the post since Campbell's departure.

50 years ago

December 4, 1958

Trojans to meet Kuna; beat J.V.

The Homedale Trojans opened the basketball season here Tuesday night by edging out a 41-39 victory over Jordan Valley in a non-conference game.

At the end of the first half the Trojans were ahead 14-8. Jordan Valley tied it up 22-22 at half time. The Trojans were ahead by a small margin 27-25 at the third quarter and had to keep fighting to attain the final winning score.

Pat Parker was high point man with 15, followed by Johnny Uranga with 10. High scorer for Jordan Valley was Staples with 16.

The junior varsity also defeated the Jordan Valley junior varsity 43-24 in a game preceding the varsity game.

Virgil Siple suggests 'get tough' policy in middle east

Virgil Siple, former Homedale resident and now with the Farm Credit Administration office at Amman, Jordan, spoke on some of the problems of the middle east at the regular Wednesday noon meeting of the Homedale Kiwanis club.

Mr. Siple, is on a vacation from his work in Jordan and arrived at Boise Friday to visit Mrs. Siple, who has been here since families were evacuated from Jordan earlier this year. They will attend the wedding of their son, Ronnie, December 27, and return to Jordan December 28.

Mr. Siple urged a 'get tough' policy on the part of Uncle Sam to show peoples of the world that our country is strong and means business.

Mr. Siple answered many questions, giving his personal ideas on various problems faced by the United States in dealing with the middle east and its people. He suggested planned families and planned agriculture as possible solutions to the problem of over-population.

2nd hangar being built at airport

A new two-airplane hangar has been constructed at the airport by Frankie Garrett and Bud Baxter.

Cleve Petzoldt and his crew did the construction work which is expected to be completed by the end of this week, Mr. Baxter said.

Mr. Baxter stated he had recently heard from Chet Moulton, state aeronautics director, warning not to use the airstrip after it freezes and thaws out and becomes soft. He said if it is used during this condition, it will cause ruts in the seeded field and can also be dangerous for planes. He further stated that once the grass comes up it will be one of the nicest fields in the state.

City dads discuss new well problem

The regular monthly meeting of the city council was held Monday night when much discussion was had on the new well.

The new pump house for the well is nearly completed. It was decided to call for bids on eight inch pipe to be used to connect the new well with the present water system.

Christmas decorating for the city was also discuss

140 years ago

November 28, 1868

SCHOOL MATTERS. Owing to the scarcity of lumber and shingles the Trustees of this district have concluded to postpone the building of a school house until next Spring. In the meantime they have rented the house lately occupied by J. M. Blossom at the corner of Washington and Third streets and a school will be commenced there on next Monday (30th inst.) Those having contributed money for schoolhouse purposes will have the same refunded.

THERE WILL be a grand benefit on Wednesday evening next for the purpose or raising funds to complete the Catholic church on which occasion the following ladies and gentlemen have kindly volunteered: Mrs. Cable, Miss Finn, Miss Smith, Miss Sarah McGinley, Miss Mary McGinley; Messrs. Blake, Hall, Issnes, Furber, Carlin, Nevins and McGinley. The purpose is a worthy one and we hope to see a full house on the occasion.

REMARKABLE SAGACITY. Last Sunday night, long after the hands had retired to their beds, and were wrapt in profound slumber, at Mr. Burnham's Mill on the other side of War Eagle mountain, a dog, belonging to Mr. John Catlow, commenced howling loudly and wildly; finding he could attract no attention in this manner, he ran into the room in which the men were sleeping, jumped up and rolled over their beds; commenced pulling the blankets off with his teeth; the men awoke in alarm believing the dog to be mad, but upon looking out discovered to their consternation, the mill on fire. Water being convenient the flames were subdued without much damage. But ten minutes delay, and the property could not have been saved.

GATHERED TO ITS FATHERS. The Winnemucca Argent has closed its brief but brilliant earthly career, and can now be safely set down in the column of "things that were" from which it appears that Wasson was not as successful in his efforts at neutralizing democracy in the region of alkali and tadpoles as he claims to have been in Owyhee. Such is life. The material has been purchased by Thomas and J. S. Butler of this city and is we learn, on the way here now. It is understood that it is to be set up in this place, and will be devoted to the interests of the republican party. We rather like this and hope friend Thomas will soon be ready for we want to break a lance or two with him as soon as it suits his convenience.

PERSONAL. John Wasson Esq. ex-editor of the Avalanche and editor of the late Winnemucca Argent, is in town for a few days. Mr. Wasson is looking well and thinks Silver City has made rapid strides in the march of improvement in the last year.

NEW YORK MILL. The New York Mill has been running for the last five days on Poorman ore. It has been thoroughly trimmed and is in excellent running order, there are hundreds of cords of furnace wood at the yard and there is no doubt but its whistle will be heard awakening the echoes of night for the balance of the season.

Selecting a coroner is expected to be on the commissioners December agenda.

Rat's Nest Road to stay

Despite a move on the part of the Gem Highway District to change the name of Owyhee County's Rat's Nest Road, things may remain as historical as they are.

At least two county commissioners have expressed opposition to renaming Rat's Nest Road, a nine-mile stretch of roadway south of Marsing, as Clark Road.

In addition, an Owyhee County Historical Society board member, Ed Byrne, has expressed opposition to the name change.

Commissioners Dick Bass and Woody Purdom have indicated they would not follow the highway district's suggested name change.

and several men planned to go to the mountains to get a large tree which will be placed on the corner of Main and Idaho Avenue.

Justamere Farms grade Holstein is DHIA winner

First high in milk production in Unit No. 8, Boise valley DHIA for October, went to Justamere Farms with a grade Holstein named Mable that produced 2,390 lbs. of milk. Second high was a grade Holstein owned by Frank T. Brown of Parma named Diane that produced 2,090 lbs. of milk. Third high was a grade Holstein cow No. 234 owned by James Kubosumi, producing 2,050 lbs. of milk.

The three highest butterfat producers were: first high, a grade Holstein named Diane owned by Frank T. Brown of Parma producing 88 lbs. of butterfat; second high was a grade Holstein named Mable owned by Justamere Farms producing 81 lbs. of butterfat; third high was a grade Jersey named Greta owned by Alfred Walker producing 80 lbs. of butterfat.

MINEAR MILL. This gallant little Mill started up on the 13th, under the auspices and supervision of Col. Olney who has it furnished up as neat and as gay as a Sacramento river Steamer. It is running on Home-Ticket ore, and as no cleaning up has yet been made, we are unprepared at present to announce results.

A CAKE. There is on exhibition, at Herman's store, a most magnificent cake; it was manufactured regardless of expense, richly adorned with banners, lace and gold and presents truly a beautiful picture. It will be on exhibition a few days, when it will be raffled for. The cake contains a valuable gold ring, upon which a young lady's name is inscribed, which will, perhaps, make the winner happy.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common

sense Cool squared

COOL. Country of Origin Labeling.

In the grocery store this new law now means that you will be allowed to purchase beef (and other meat) that is guaranteed to be born and raised in the United States. Will you?

Is that a consideration when you go to buy a car? A television set? A pair of boots? A tool? A tractor? Strawberries? Wine? Or Gasoline? (Sorry, this last one was a joke!)

Should you? If you are in a business that sells and manufactures an American product, then you certainly hope the rest of the country prefers to buy something "Made in America." And, in these hard economic times, buying American will benefit your neighbor's job security as well.

Granted, origin is not always clear. For instance, Toyota's headquarters is in Tokyo. It's listed on the Japanese stock exchange. It is a Japanese company. They are called foreign cars. Yet they have a manufacturing plant in Alabama! Ford Motor Co. headquarters is in Dearborn, Mich. It is on the New York Stock Exchange. Henry Ford invented it! Yet the Ford F-150 pickup is built in Mexico!

Can both or either be labeled American under COOL regulations? I suspect there will eventually have to be "variations" of COOL. One of the difficulties implementing the "American Label" on beef, for example, is that packing houses process Mexican cattle that come into Texas feedlots, and use beef shipped to their plant in refrigerated trucks from packing houses in Canada.

In one days' processing, it is common to hang these carcasses side by side, for ground beef to be commingled and the specific origin of each to be lost. Maybe we could establish categories like, Pure American Cool, Quasi American Cool or Possibly American Cool. It would depend on the percentage of U.S. raised beef in the mix. Other factors to be considered would be the amount of Canadian grain in the ration, the number of Mexican cowboys on the ranch, or the presence of Irish whiskey behind the seat of the feedlot managers' pickup! A lot of details remain to be worked out.

There was a restaurant in Arkansas that offered squirrel stew. It was quite popular and was always crowded. One customer inquired of the owner how they could find so many squirrels?



Wayne Cornell Not important ... but possibly of interest



Dealing with a bad break in life I got up at about 7:30 on Sunday morning. I let the dog didn't take more than a couple of minutes to drag myself

out to do his duty and turned on the coffeemaker. I went out in the garage, put on an old coat — in retrospect one of the best decisions I have ever made - and went out the get the newspaper.

It was a cold, foggy morning. That should have sent off an alarm in my head but it didn't. Our driveway's concrete surface is smooth. I was about halfway to the paper box when I slipped on ice created by the fog. I caught myself briefly — long enough for my right foot to get in a very awkward position. Then my left foot flew out from under me.

As I fell I heard a loud "pop." Even before I hit the concrete, I felt the worst pain of my entire life.

I looked down at my right foot. It was cocked off at about a 45-degree angle from where it should have been pointing. It also was out of alignment with the end of my leg bone. Just looking at it made me nauseated.

"Sara!!" I velled.

"SARA!!!!!!!!"

There was no response from our house. She had been in bed when I got up. And even though our bedroom is in the front part of the house, it's hard to hear outside noises. I yelled her name several more times with no answer.

It occurred to me that it was below freezing. There was a good possibility that I was going to go into some stage of shock. And if I passed out, by the time Sara got up I might be a real "stiff."

I couldn't get in a full sitting position because of my foot. I started pushing myself backwards toward the house while stretched out on my back. With every push, a wave of excruciating pain hit me. I would yell again, wait for the pain to subside a little, then give another push.

It was maybe 15 yards back to our patio gate. But it was the longest 15 yards I've ever traveled. It probably

to a point where I was next to the outdoor wall of our bedroom. I yelled "SARA" several times. Then I switched to "HELP ME!!!!!!"

The most beautiful sight I have ever seen was the front door opening and my partner looking out to see where the noise was coming from.

Sara covered me up, called 911 and gave me encouragement while we waited for the ambulance. She patted me and told me it would be all right. I diplomatically told her I appreciated her support but would feel better if she quit patting my injured leg.

I didn't entirely lose my sense of humor. When I heard a vehicle pull up and Sara said it was a fire truck, I said something along the line of, "Why did they bring a (obscenity) fire truck? I'm not on fire!"

As it turned out, it was lucky the firemen were there because the two EMTs would have had a tough time getting me on the stretcher by themselves. If I had broken my ankle a year ago, before I quit smoking, I would have been 20 pounds lighter.

At the emergency room they knocked me out long enough to put the foot back into its socket. And I was lucky because the on-call doctor was a surgeon. He said I had broken the ankle in three places — which is apparently just about all the places you can break an ankle.

So now I have this cast on my leg that goes from my toes to almost my knee. I can't put any weight on that foot. I can't drive. Using the toilet and taking a bath have become major challenges. I already have developed a lot more respect for physically handicapped people.

The next eight weeks are going to be interesting.

- Go to www.theowyheeavalanche.com to link to some of Wayne's previous columns on his Internet blog. You'll find the link in the bottom right-hand corner of the home page.

Sen. Mike Crapo



Change creates opportunities

Bandied about endlessly now for months during the have to fight terrorists here. I am grateful, too, that there campaigns, the word "change" was used so often that it was are men and women here in uniform, keeping our families, lmost rendered meaningless. What can be said, though, is neighborhoods and communities safe from crime that people have definite feelings about change. Whether it's a new president or the closing of a street on our normal route to work, we all deal with change constantly - as it is said, "the only thing constant is change." So, it really comes down to how we approach these daily events. What attitude do we have? Is it resignation? Can some opportunity be found? What are the positive and negative angles? While we may not always have control over the changes in our lives, we do have control over our outlook and response. I may not have a say in the decision by the city to close a street on my daily commute, but perhaps it provides an opportunity to see some different sights along the way. Idahoans have a wide range of views on the outcome of the recent presidential election, but that shouldn't stand in the way of our ability to move forward. I am confident that I can continue to serve my constituents and my country, remaining true to shared conservative principles of limited government, fiscal restraint and defense of personal freedom. I am thankful that we live in America — the land of the free and the home of the brave. I am grateful that there are men and women fighting terror overseas so that we don't

Uncertainty about the future, about change, can cause worry, but it's important to look for opportunity in all things. It's there if you put your mind to it. Every person has the ability to chart their daily life course to some degree and often, the course is determined by the outlook. Jimmy Dean put it this way: "I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination." Whether it's new neighbors, a new job, a new school or new policies, we should not allow someone else to adjust the sails on our course to accomplish our greater objective: the best life we can live for ourselves and our families, governed by principles we choose to live by. Thankfully, we have families, friends, good neighbors and good leaders that help us toward this destination.

"Well," said the owner, "We do have to cut it with a little mule meat. But," he said, "only 10 percent."

"Really," said the customer. "I guess that's fair."

"Yup," said the owner, "One mule for every 10 squirrels!'

But I wonder, are they American squirrels?

— 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".

Letters to the editor

All letters to the editor submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche must be no longer than 300 words, signed and include the writer's address and daytime phone number.

The deadline for submitting letters is noon on Friday. Letters can be submitted in the these ways: E-mailed to jon@ owyheeavalanche.com; faxed to (208) 337-4867; mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628; dropped off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

The path ahead, as always, holds uncertainties and change; we press on with the knowledge that the race remains ours to run.

- Republican Mike Crapo currently is Idaho's junior senator in the U.S. Senate. He will be the senior member from the state when the 111th Congress begins in January.

Commentary

Financial management Exotic home loan options are risky business

Dear Dave,

My husband and I have been married for three months, and we're debt-free. Right now, we're trying to save up a 20 percent down payment for a house. I work for a real estate company, and they're really pushing us to take advantage of a first-time homebuyer deal. The program offers 100 percent financing, no money down and no Private Mortgage Insurance (PMI). They say it's a great deal. What do you think?

- Stacy

Dear Stacy,

You guys are off to a great start! Don't blow it now. Those people are wrong. I grew up in the real estate world, and this is a bad idea.

Slow down. It's great that you



guys are young and debt-free, but you need to do things that are smart for YOU. And for you, smart includes a couple of things. First, make sure you have an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses in place. Then, keep saving up for a big down payment.

You know, when I hear the advice you were given I just want to smack somebody. Haven't the mortgage lenders learned ANYTHING from the last several months? Nothing down, interestonly and sub-prime loans are a big

part of the reason for the financial debacle in this country. A house is not a blessing when you're broke, and a bargain is only a bargain when you're ready to buy!

I always recommend waiting at least a year after you're married to buy a house. It takes that long to decide how close you want to live to your in-laws! Plus, you want to spend some time getting used to each other, and knowing each other even better, before making what will be your largest asset purchase.

— Dave

Dear Dave,

I'm in the market for a better car. I know you tell people to buy used cars, but I saw an ad the other day for zero-interest auto loans. What do you think about these?

— Cindy

Dear Cindy,

I feel the same way about zero percent interest car loans as I do about every other kind of car loan. They stink!

A car is the largest item we buy that goes down in value. If you crunch the numbers, you'll see that a new car loses 60 percent of its value in the first four years. That means a \$28,000 vehicle will become an \$11,000 vehicle while you're still making payments on the thing! You might as well throw \$100 out the window every week. You may not be charged interest on your loan, but you're still losing money. Do you really think they care about you winning? They'll get theirs one way or the other!

Zero percent loans tempt lots of folks to buy cars they shouldn't buy. Pay cash for your cars, Cindy.

Stick with good, used cars that are about three or four years old, after someone else has taken the buttkicking in depreciation.

And NEVER buy a brand new car unless you have a net worth of \$1 million or more!

— Dave

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

Accuracy In Media

Media fiddle while America economy goes through meltdown

by Cliff Kincaid, editor

I got into trouble many years ago when I co-hosted CNN's now-defunct Crossfire show and told an ambassador from Libya, who was filibustering and denying his government's links to terrorism, to "Please shut up." The producer told me that I went too far, but at least I said "please." On the other hand, CNBC's Maria Bartiromo went too far when she concluded a Nov. 24 interview with Saudi Prince Alwaleed bin Talal, a major Citigroup investor who has been bailed out by U.S. taxpayers, by saying, "Thank you very much for your precious time."

Precious time? This is a multi-billionaire foreigner whose financial firm has been bailed out with U.S. taxpayer money. Alwaleed ought to thank us for our precious money - money we don't have to lend to foreign billionaires.

Bloomberg News, one of the few news organizations seriously examining the role of the Federal Reserve in the financial meltdown, now puts the cost of the various bailouts and other federal schemes to "save" the financial system at an incredible \$7.7 trillion. And there is no reason to believe that the bailouts are at an end. At the end of it all, America could be reduced to the status of banana republic, without the ability to pay to import bananas.

America has become "Bailout Nation," in the words of

Members of the Group of Thirty include several people close to Obama; not only Geithner, but Paul Volcker, who is the chairman of the Group of Thirty, and Lawrence Summers, Obama's designee as chairman of the National Economic Council. Interestingly, the governor of the People's Bank of China is also a member. As we discussed in our recent AIM Report, China has played a largely behind-the-scenes role in America's unfolding financial and economic crisis. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson, dubbed the "Armand Hammer of Communist China" because of his personal and financial ties to China, has been right in the middle of this but has largely escaped media scrutiny for an obvious conflict of interest.

New York Times columnist Paul Krugman is a member of the Group of Thirty and could shed some light on the operations of this curious organization. But I could find no record of him having written about what happens at its meetings. Perhaps that is because the group's annual International Banking Seminar, which takes place to coincide with the fall meetings of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, is "an invitation-only, off-the-record forum." One of the participants, according to a photo on the group's Web site, was Federal Reserve chairman Ben Bernanke.

signing up to work for Obama and his new administration. The column was almost as embarrassing as Bartiromo thanking the Saudi prince for his "precious time." Brooks seems to think that we are impressed by people — "the best of the Washington insiders," as he called them --- who are supposed to be brighter than the rest of us. But are they really so smart? If so, why aren't their bailouts working? And even if they do work, who's going to pay for them?

Both the New York Times and the Washington Post ran stories on Nov. 25 about Geithner's key role in Paulson's reckless and haphazard bailout strategy. The Times story, on Page 1 of its business section, was generally supportive of this "wonder boy" but does quote one critic as saying, "All of these 'rescues' are a disaster for the taxpayer, for the financial markets and also for the Federal Reserve System as an organization. Geithner, in our view, deserves retirement, not promotion." This seems like a comment that deserves a follow-up story.

To its credit, a Times editorial noted evidence that Geithner and Summers "have played central roles in policies that helped provoke today's financial crisis."

Paulson was supposed to be brilliant, too. At least that is what the media said about him when he panicked the Bush administration and Congress into passing his \$700 billion Wall Street bailout plan. But he has taken several detours on his way to "rescue" the economy. It would be funny were it not for the fact that he is playing around with our money and making the situation worse. The only person who deserves more blame for the current mess is President Bush, who was persuaded by his chief of staff, Josh Bolten, a former Goldman Sachs executive, into hiring Paulson. There is a desperate need for critical media scrutiny of those who are running this show, like Paulson and Bernanke, as well as their cronies, like Geithner. But even the "conservatives" on the Fox News "Special Report" show have been expressing awe at Obama's appointments, including Geithner and Summers. "I think it is an excellent team," said Charles Krauthammer on the Nov. 24 show. "I thought they were pretty impressive," said Fred Barnes. It seems abundantly clear that the TV show Hannity & Colmes, which Colmes will be leaving by the end of the year, isn't the only Fox News program in need of new blood. You know the situation in the media is desperate when the "conservatives" on a Fox News program are more supportive of Obama's appointments than the liberal editorial page of the New York Times.

CNBC, and one of their star correspondents is taking her precious time to thank a Saudi prince for the opportunity to seek his advice on U.S. financial affairs, now that U.S. taxpayers have bailed him out.

As the Russian-born comedian Yakov Smirnoff might say, "What a country!" But how long can such a country survive? The answer may depend on the Group of Thirty, a secretive and mysterious organization of so-called smart people that includes President-elect Barack Obama's pick to run the Department of the Treasury, Timothy Geithner. Incredibly, the candidate of "hope" and "change" has picked someone right in the middle of planning this financial mess to take us out of it.

Announced by Obama to much fanfare in the media, Geithner has a career that includes work for Kissinger Associates and the federal government and membership in the little-known Group of Thirty. Please don't accuse me of entertaining a conspiracy theory. This is actually mentioned in his official biography and the organization has an official Web site. It calls itself "a private, independent, nonprofit, international body", but I can find no serious investigative reporting into its influence and controversial connections.

The Group of Thirty seems almost as secretive as the Federal Reserve itself, which is refusing to disclose the details of nearly \$2 trillion in loans it has extended during the current crisis. Bloomberg News has filed a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit to force disclosure of this information.

The Group of Thirty's annual report reveals that it has received "donations" or funds from various institutions, including American International Group, the central banks of various countries, Goldman Sachs, the Dubai Financial Services Authority, Lehman Brothers, and Soros Fund Management, run by the controversial pro-Obama billionaire, George Soros.

If you look at the funders of the organizations represented by some of its members, you find a literal "who's who" of entities involved in the financial meltdown. Some have gone bankrupt (Lehman Brothers), but others are getting taxpayer-financed bailouts (American International Group). How can public officials serve in a private organization of this nature? Isn't that a potential conflict of interest?

Rather than subject any of this to scrutiny, David Brooks, the phony conservative who writes for the New York Times, recently wrote a column about all the smart people

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OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES **NOVEMBER 17, 2008 OWYHEE COUNTY** COURTHOUSE **MURPHY, IDAHO**

Present were Commissionerís Hoagland, Tolmie, and Freund, Clerk Sherburn, Sheriff Aman, Prosecutor Faulks, Mary Huff, Jim Desmond, and Betty Stappler.

Amendments to the agenda included: a request for private road name, and the Vessel Fund report.

Mr. Shurtleff was present with a contract, the Board asked for a public works license prior to approving the contract.

A bid from Dan Wiebold Ford was opened for the sheriffis vehicle. No action was taken.

The Board nominated Canyon County Commissioner-Elect Kathy Alder to serve on the Catastrophic Health Care Board.

The Board cast a ballot for Payette County Commissioner Marc Shigeta to serve on the ICRMP Board.

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

Current Expense \$84,088, Road & Bridge \$30,144, District Court \$45,899, Probation \$2,284, Health District \$4,234, Indigent & Charity \$25,689, Pest \$86, Revaluation \$871, Solid Waste \$27,086, Tort \$2,255, Weed \$402, 911 \$3,063.

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

08-44 lien approved, 08-45 lien placed and applicant approved with reimbursement, 08-39 applicant denied, 08-40 approved with reimbursement.

The Board approved the Retention of County Vessel Funds for the Vessel Account.

Mike Kaes with Paragon Engineers discussed grant monies from Idaho Dept. of Parks and Recreation for road maintenance on the byway designated roads.

The road name request of Seven High Lane submitted by Brad Huff was approved.

A hearing was held on the Interoperable Communications Plan. The Board adopted Resolution 08-42

A hearing was held on the Natural Resources Plan Revision. Comments were presented. The Board took the matter under advisement and will issue a decision in the near future.

The complete minutes can be viewed in the Clerkís office.

/s/Jerry Hoagland, Chairman Attest:/s/Charlotte Sherburn 12/3/08

applications." Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-211, Idaho Code. The permit will be subject to all prior water rights. Any protest against approval of the application must be filed with the Director, IDWR Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705-5082, together with a protest fee of \$25 for each application on or before December 22, 2008. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR., Director

<u>12/3,10/08</u>

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Tuesday, March 24, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located on the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Owyhee County, Murphy, Idaho, Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as Successor Trustee (the "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:

Lots 7 and 8 in Block 2 of Moler's Addition to Marsing, according to the official plat thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho, (the 'Real Property").

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-described Real Property but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of 914 Franklin Street, Marsing, ID 83639, may sometimes be associated with said Real Property.

The Trustee's sale shall be made pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust (defined below) to satisfy the obligation secured thereby. The sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrance. The Deed of Trust referred to herein was executed by JAMES REED AGGAS, as Grantor, to Pioneer Title Company of as original Canyon County, trustee, for the benefit and security of Syringa Bank, as Beneficiary, dated November 20, 2003 and recorded November 21, 2003, as Instrument No. 245949, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho, ("Deed of Trust"). Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. has been appointed as Successor

against the property; and

foreclosure (iv) costs. trustee's fees and attorneys fees incurred by Beneficiary. In addition, the Grantor has:

(i) failed to pay taxes encumbering the Real Property.

The original loan amount was \$49,690.00 with interest due thereon at the initial rate of 5.00% per annum, as evidenced by the Home Equity Masterline Consumer Open-End Agreement dated November 20, 2003 ("Note"), executed by Grantor payable to Beneficiary. The principal balance due on the Note as of August 25, 2008 is \$49,544.86.

The balance owing as of August 25, 2008, on the Note secured by the Deed of Trust (collectively "Loan Documents") \$50,749.46, including is principal, accrued interest. charges, but excluding late Beneficiary's collection costs, delinquent property taxes, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations under the Loan Documents or in connection with this sale, such as trustee's fees and/or reasonable attorney's fees, as authorized in the Loan Documents.

DATED this 10th day of November, 2008.

Alliance Title & Escrow Corp Successor Trustee

By: /s/Bobbi Oldfield

Its: Asst. Secretary

Sheila R. Schwager

HAWLEY TROXELL ENNIS & HAWLEYLLP, P.O. Box 1617, Boise, Idaho 83701, Telephone: (208) 344-6000 11/19,26;12/3,10/08

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, allowed liens to be filed 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 Monday, March 16, 2009 at the hour of 11:00 o'clock A.M., of said day, on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650,

Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check. certified check or tellers check, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit:

60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: 28595 and 28601 N. Benham Ave., Bruneau, ID 83604, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY.

If the successful bidder cannot provide the bid price by means of one of the above means of payment, the sale will be postponed for 10 minutes only to allow the high bidder to obtain payment in a form prescribed herein above. If the high bidder is unsuccessful in obtaining payment as directed within 10 minutes, the sale will be re-held immediately and any bid by the high bidder from the previous sale, will be rejected, all in accordance with Idaho Code 45-1502 et. Sec.

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 Lisa L. Miller, a single woman, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Boyd Campbell, a married man as his sole and separate property as Beneficiary, recorded June 23, 2004 as Instrument No. 248231, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO **COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-**1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRÉSÉNTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure to:

Make principal and interest payments as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$139,500.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of 6.5% per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated June 21, 2004. Payments are in default for the months of June 2008 thru & including October 2008 in the amount of \$1,043.07 per month and continuing each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance as of October 17, 2008 is \$125,227.33 together with accrued and accruing interest thereon at the rate of 6.5% per annum. The per diem is \$22.301. In addition to the above, there is also due delinquent real property taxes for the second half of 2007, together with penalty and interest, and any other real property taxes that may become delinquent during this foreclosure; and any

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF WATER PERMIT

Dale &/or Jackie Van Es of 8222 Desert Dr., Marsing, ID 83639 filed Application No. 75246 to amend a water permit with a 2004 priority from ground water totaling 4.71 cfs for commercial and stockwater purposes. The permit provides stock and commercial water for property located approximately 3 miles southwest of Marsing. The applicant proposes to amend the permit to add a point of diversion and accurately describe the places of use for stockwater and land application of commercial waste water.

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 details provided under "new water right

Trustee, pursuant to Appointment of Successor Trustee dated September 5, 2008, and recorded October 6, 2008, as Instrument No. 266426 records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

THE ABOVE GRANTOR NAMED TO COMPLY IS WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THE GRANTOR IS, OR IS NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The defaults for which this sale is to be made are failure to pay: the regular monthly (i) interest payments, as set forth and required by the Deed of Trust and Note, due on May 20, 2008, and thereafter on the 20th day of each month until the date of sale or reinstatement;

(ii) late fees:

(iii)

Parcel I

Lots 5, 6 and 7 in Block 41, and the South 10 feet of Lot 4, in Block 41 of Bruneau Townsite, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho.

Parcel II

Lots 8, 9 and 10 in Block 41, Bruneau Townsite, Bruneau, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the County **Recorder of Owyhee County**, Idaho.

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

late charges, advances, escrow collection fees, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure.

The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$125,227.33, excluding interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder or in this sale, as trustee's fees and/or reasonable attorney's fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust.

Dated: November 11, 2008 Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. By: Bobbi Oldfield, Trust Officer

Phone: 947-1554 11/19,26;12/3,10/08

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On March 31, 2009, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock AM of said day, at the Owyhee County Courthouse, State 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:

See Attached Exhibit "A"

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 **6057 Claytonia Way, Marsing, 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 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 Kenneth D. Park and Shawna M. Park, husband and wife, as Grantor(s) with Nationstar Mortgage, LLC fka Centex Home Equity Company, LLC as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded April 7, 2006, as Instrument No. 255861, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE 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 \$1,447.44 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 \$156,666.50 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 10.5% 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 25th day of November, 2008.

Sumerli Lynch, Trust Officer for Just Law, Inc., P.O. Box 50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405. (208) 523-9106 Fax (208) 523-9146

Exhibit A

A parcel of land being a portion of the East One-Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a found Brass Cap marking the Northwest corner of said Section 28, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and being the centerline intersection of Dunlap Street and Edison Street, said Brass Cap bears

North 0° 00' 00" East, 2666.85 feet from a found 5/8" iron pin marking the West Quarter corner of said Section 28 and being the centerline intersection of said Edison Street and Bruneau Highway; thence

South 88° 52' 33" East, 1996.52 feet along the North boundary of the said Northwest Quarter of Section 28 and along the said centerline of Dunlap Street to a found 5/8" iron pin; thence

South 01° 06° 45" West, 1315.59 feet along the centerline of an existing concrete irrigation ditch to a point; said point being witnessed by a found $\frac{1}{2}$ " iron pin which bears

North 89° 09' 40" West, 5.00 feet; thence

North 89° 09' 40" West, 326.12 feet to a set ½" iron pin, said pin marking the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

South 0° 34' 46" West, 674.44 feet to a set $\frac{1}{2}$ " iron pin lying on the South boundary of the North One-Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 28; thence

North 89° 09' 40" West, 319.85 feet along said South boundary of the North One-Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 28 to a found 5/8" iron pin marking the Southwest corner of the said North One-Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 28; thence

North 0° 02' 49" East, 674.50 feet along the East boundary of the said East One-Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 28 to a set $\frac{1}{2}$ " iron pin, said pin bears

North 0° 02' 49" East, 9.99 feet from a found 5/8" iron pin marking the Northwest corner of the said North One-Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 28: thence

South 89° 09' 40" East, 326.12 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

For information concerning this sale please contact Just Law, Inc. at **www.justlawidaho.com** or Toll Free at 1-800-923-9106, Thank you.

12/3,10,17,24/08

SUMMONS CASE NO. CV-DR-08-16790 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 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 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

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

of Idaho: 57-11713 DIANE B KRITZ, CHARLES J KRITZ, RAYMOND C BARKER JR, 415 VOLPI YSABEL RD, PASO ROBLES CA 93446

Point(s) of Diversion L5 (SENW) S14 T03N R05W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER

Point(s) of Diversion L5 (SENW) S14 T03N R05W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER Use: COMMERCIAL 01/01 To

12/31 0.53 CFS

Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 To

- 12/31 0.53 CFS
- Total Diversion: 0.53 CFS
- Date Filed: 12/20/2007 Place Of Use:
- COMMERCIAL
- T03N R05W S14 SWNW Lot 6 SENW Lot 5

Place Of Use: DOMESTIC SAME AS COMMERCIAL

Remark: Use is for proposed Snake River RV Resort.

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resource, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 12/22/2008. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

DÂVID R. TUTHILL, JR., Director

12/3,10/08

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





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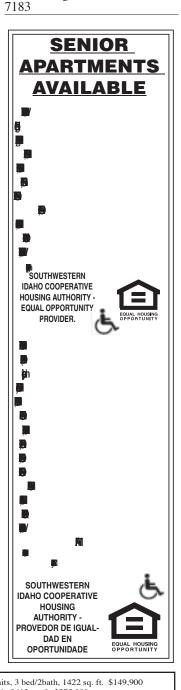
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