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Santa returns Saturday

Homedale Chamber parade pushes off at 10 a.m.

Santa Claus and a slew of parade entries from local businesses will take to the streets Saturday for the annual Homedale for the Holidays Parade.

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce continues to sponsor the longtime tradition that snakes through downtown beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The route begins at the intersection of Owyhee Avenue and North Main Street and heads west. At North Fourth Street West, the parade turns south for one block before turning east on West Idaho Avenue and finishing up in front of Homedale High School.

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Marsing events begin with 10 a.m. parade

Marsing's Day at the North Pole Christmas festivities will kick off at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, with parade entries at the high school gym, across from Snake River Mart.

The parade will start to roll at 10 a.m. and will travel east on Main Street to the city park, then turn and finish up at the Marsing Community Center (the American Legion Hall).

Parade grand marshals are Gene and Ruth Clapier. They will ride in a convertible Ford Mustang provided by Julie Sterling, the co-owner of The Thrift Shop. For more on the Clapiers, see Page 9.

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Inside today

With the annual Homedale for the Holidays parade, The Owyhee Avalanche has published another shopping guide, which includes entries for the Chamber of Commerce's turkey raffle set for Saturday after the parade.

Find details about special deals for local businesses and more information on the parade and local retailers in the 12-page special section in today's edition.



Homedale, Marsing ready for season Above: City of Homedale employees Scott Mahler, left, and Brad



Marsing impact area nears reality

Finalized zone ready for hearings by year's end

Officials made sure not to make the same mistake twice when it comes to an Owyhee County town establishing an area of impact.

Last week, a nine-person panel comprised of government officials from Owyhee County and the City of Marsing as well as three

Marsing-area residents, approved a proposed impact area for the town.

The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners then added the impact area proposal to its agenda and dealt with it immediately, passing it, and opening the way for public hearings later this month before the plan is finalized by acceptance of the Marsing City Council.

The county commissioners — See Impact, page 5

Hunt secure one of the plywood Nativity scene figures at the entrance to town Thursday. Mahler, Hunt and Ulrich spent parts of last week hauling out the city's ornaments. Christmas trees were affixed to the light poles along Idaho Avenue, and holiday lights were strung on the tree in City Park.

Right: Michael Sterkenburg, 10, shared the bench in front of the Marsing City Hall with a seasonal visitor on Wednesday, Dec. 3. Warm weather may mean Frosty might be more than a little delayed this year, but decorations and lights throughout both Marsing and Homedale are already bringing the season's atmosphere to life.

"We should have an impact zone by the end of the month. The engineers did a really nice job."

— Keith Green, Marsing mayor



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Homedale continues march toward cleanliness

Mayor shows state officials downtown, but opposes 'big-city' rules on yard abatement

Homedale officials are taking several different routes to clean up the town, including applying for a state grant and looking at changing a city ordinance to create stiffer penalties for trashy yards and abandoned cars.

"We're getting a lot of complaints from neighbors of people who have dirty lots," Mayor Harold Wilson said. "We've had a lot of complaints."

Wilson ran on a platform of cleaning up town, and has kept the objective up. He and city public works supervisor Larry Bauer met with officials from the Idaho Department of Commerce and Sage Community Resources on Friday morning to tour downtown and give a first-hand account of how the state's \$500,00 community development block grant would be used

The city is in the running for the grant in an attempt to added attractive streetlights, sidewalks, curbs and gutters along Idaho Avenue.

We want our town to look better," Wilson said Friday. "That's one reason we're meeting this morning with some people from the state and walk the streets and work on this grant to make our city more attractive."

The mayor also said that a city delegation was scheduled to meet with a group interested in bringing a restaurant to downtown Homedale. He wouldn't give further details until after the meeting, results of which weren't available at press time.

Wilson also praised the efforts of local and regional businesses and the Idaho National Guard during the recent cleanup effort around town. He singled out Lowe's Home Improvement, The Home Depot, Costco, Wal-Mart and D&B Supply for providing about \$1,000 in equipment that Wilson said the city now has on hand for future cleanup projects.

The mayor also tipped his hat to Tolmie's Ace Hardware, Matteson's, Subway, Paul's Market, Pruett Lumber and Supply, Pruett Tire and Westowns Disposal for other in-kind donations for the cleanup effort.

"The whole cleanup probably cost the city here about \$35, and we probably got \$1,000 worth of equipment," Wilson said. "(Police) Chief (Jeff) Eidemiller went around and got donations."

Eidemiller's police officers could be instrumental in trying to help the city to convince residents to clean up their yards as part of the enforcement arm of the existing abatement ordinances. But Wilson said that most of the residents who have received cleanup letters by registered mail from the city have complied.

"We've sent out 20- or 30-something registered letters on cleanups," Wilson said. "We can't get them all at once, so we've been working a few a week."

Wilson said the city has sent out 27 thank-you letters to residents who have complied with abatement notices, including removing several cars. Residents have 10 days from the time they receive the certified letter to comply.

City workers take photos of yards that could be out of compliance, Wilson said, before a letter is issued

He added that he knows of two summons that have been delivered by HPD officers for non-compliance to the letters. But



Officials survey revitalization zone

A delegation including, from left, Pat Engel of Sage Community Resources, Homedale Mayor Harold Wilson, Mike Pollard of the Western Alliance for Economic Development, city public works supervisor Larry Bauer, Idaho Department of Commerce community development specialist Pat Madarieta, Homedale Chamber of Commerce president Gavin Parker, and Tony Tenne from the Commerce department, surveyed downtown Friday. Photo by Jennifer Stutheit

he said both those instances are renters, not property owners.

After last week's Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, that body also now has become involved in the effort to tighten up the ordinance governing property cleanup.

P&Z administrator Sylvia Bahem said that no residents attended the Dec. 1 public meeting on the proposed ordinance changes. Wilson and Councilman Tim Downing were in attendance, as were Homedale Fire Chief Scott Salutregui and Assistant Chief Tom Pegram.

Bahem said Bauer suggested a cost-saving move of dropping the certified letter requirement and she said he also would like to see abatement notices sent to the property owner and tenant in rental situations as well as posted on the property.

Only three of the five P&Z commissioners were present. Board president Jim Packer and member Reed Batt missed the meeting, while Art Trogdon, Herb Fritzley and Gypsy Jackson were seated.

No recommendation was made, Bahem said, as the meeting was set up only to get public input.

Bahem said the proposed changes, based on Caldwell city code, will be modified with changes proposed by Bauer and probably put back on the agenda for a future P&Z meeting. She added she's always on the lookout for new P&Z commissioners. Anyone interested in volunteering to serve on the board can call Bahem at 899-0826 or City Hall at 337-4641 for more information.

Any ordinance modifications must be passed on to the city council for a public hearing before the council votes to make the changes official.

Wilson said the push for new ordinance provisions also is aimed at shoring up the city's legal standing in enforcing abatement issues. But he cautioned against imposing "big-city" requirements from towns like Caldwell on Homedale residents.

He said he was against elements of the proposed ordinance, such as hiring third-party companies to clean up lots that are out of compliance. He's also against a provision that would penalize residents up to three times the amount of total cleanup costs.

"They've got to remember - Sylvia and P&Z have to remember — we're not Caldwell," Wilson said. "We're not a big city. We don't have the manpower."

— JPB



Construction starts on county annex

Murphy contractor Jean Shurtleff began work Wednesday on the planned Marsing annex for Owyhee County government offices. Shurtleff was given the notice to proceed from the Board of County Commissioners after the paperwork verifying he had a workman's compensation certificate was received by the county from his insurance agent on Dec. 2. According to Shurtleff, the contract he signed with the county gives him until March 1 to finish the work at the old Owvhee Conservation District building, 19 Reich St. Shurtleff, who has more than 20 years in the construction business, said he plans to finish the work by the first week of February, adding that the previously reported open





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Laying out the plans

Jean Shurtleff began the reworking of the OCD building on Friday, with the counter area first on the agenda.

date of Jan. 2 for the Division of Motor Vehicles was based on conversation he had with county Assessor Brett Endicott.

If the work isn't completed by March 1, Shurtleff said the contract calls for a \$20-perday penalty until construction is completed.

— JPB

Future City planned in the classrooms of today

HMS students answer contest's challenge

A group of Homedale Middle School students are busily designing the city of the future, as well as a super-water-efficient house to be home to those future residents, as part of the National Engineers Week Future City Competition.

A team made up of seven eighth-grade students, under the tutelage of HMS first-year teacher Jennifer Martin, has plans to attend and compete in the Boise-based regional Future City competition next month. Competitors will deal with three projects - a software simulation, an essay and presentation, and a scale model with one or more working systems. The winners from the regional competitions around the nation will go on to finals in Washington, D.C. The project focuses on finding new ways to use existing technologies to provide new options to deal with perennial problems.

The HMS team, which is split into three groups, Martin said,

is working on all three projects simultaneously. The students are all part of Martin's advanced sciences class.

Essay team members Ali Abbott and Lizzie Farrell are polishing their paper, which deals with systems to make a house more water efficient. They are exploring ways to recycle gray water into drinkable water and are looking at technologies developed in part by NASA to do so.

The modeling team is building a scale version of their future city, with homes, spaceport, agricultural center and a dehydration plant to prepare foods for delivery to orbital habitats. Cayetano Montes, Reed Maggard and Ricardo Martinez are the three students who will be constructing the mock-up. This team is involved with considerable drafting, math and has been given a hand by volunteer engineer Dan Vander Boegh of Homedale, who comes in weekly to check on the team's progress. The modelers have finished their drafting and are collecting materials to build the project, Martin said. At least one part of the model has to be a working system, she said.



Modelers ponder their project The Future City modelers are, from left: Cayetano Montes, Reed Maggard and Ricardo Martinez.

The software team — Aspen Curtis and Corby Schamber — is using Sim City 4, a city simulator published by Maxis Software. The students have to create and manage their planned city's development, growth, taxes, utilities, air and water quality and infrastructure. The software simulation was submitted on Friday, following a last minute reworking after a simulation meltdown earlier in the week.

"The kids really liked that one,

because it's a game," Martin said of the program. "But they're liking it less now that deadline time is approaching. That one is due on Friday (Dec. 5)."

The computer model exposes kids to just what it takes to run a city, Martin said — all the hard work and budgeting, and the frictions that arise with police, fire, school funding, power sources and siting and more.

"It's actually very complex; I find it confusing. The computer

part's harder than I thought it would be," Martin said.

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The competition, which is in its second decade, exposes students to engineering aspects from initial proposals through planning to implementation.

Students will take their physical model to Boise in January to compete with 25 other regional schools — the essay and the computer model will have already been turned in, Martin said — then the students will give a presentation in front of the judges on the physical model with information from the computer model and the essay folded in.

"Our goal, it's a lofty one, is to win and go to Washington D.C. for the national competition," Martin said.

"Future City will give (students) an introduction to different types of engineering, from civil to electrical, chemical to mechanical," organizers said of the competition on its home page. "It will also teach them skills such as writing, public speaking, teamwork, time management, problem solving and new computer skills."

Marsing ponders pumps | Hands Around Homedale helps hungry

Marsing city officials are making progress on several fronts, including the ongoing water system project, transferring several city ordinances from misdemeanors to violations and getting on board with the Snake River Scenic Byway (SRSB) plan.

In brief, the water project continues forward, with Mayor Keith Green expressing hope that construction costs may come in under budget given the current state of the economy.

Workmen have poured the concrete ring that will surround the compacted earth on which Marsing's planned water tank will sit. Pipes are also in place for the neighboring pump house, and continued warm weather has allowed contractors to move ahead on schedule. The tank will be situated just north of the University of Idaho extension office, and across highway 78, opposite Marsing Elementary School.

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as potentially provide more water, Martin explained.

When originally drilled and tested, the wells were rated with a flow of approximately 150 gallons per minute (gpm), Martin said, but in practice, with normal pumps, that limit has never been approached, with the standard (and now aging) pumps picking up so much sand that the wells' potential had never been reached. The variable-flow pumps would all be interlinked, allowing the system to coordinate pumping needs and flow rate, start slowly, then pick up speed as the flow increases. This, Martin said, might keep the flow from agitating large amounts of sand when the pumps are triggered, and may allow the city to realize 120 gpm of flow from each well.

The next meeting of the city council will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 7 p.m.

--- MML

While several organizations are helping dozens of Homedale families during the holiday season, the Hands Around Homedale food distribution takes place Saturday at the elementary school, 420 W. Washington Ave.

Food collected at all three schools in the Homedale School District will be delivered to the elementary school Friday for sorting and building of care packages.

The Caldwell Euzkaldunak Charity Organization will deliver meat to Paul's Market to add turkeys, hams, hot dogs and hamburgers to the list of foodstuffs doled out by Hands Around Homedale.

Families on a list compiled by food drive coordinator Randee Garrett will be able to pick up the boxes of food between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Students have been stacking food in their Homedale Elementary classrooms, while food also has been collected and stored under a Christmas tree at Homedale Middle School. Food also has been collected by Homedale High School students.

The Wish Tree gift drive also continues in Homedale this week, while Marsing's Snake River Mart also has started a giving tree for that community.

Garrett said that in addition to about 60 Homedale



Helping where they can

Homedale Elementary students Jerrica Morris, left, and Kaytlynne Neil, both 7-year-olds in Michelle Endicott's first-grade class, have joined with their schoolmates to collect food for the Hands Around Homedale drive this holiday season.

families being helped by the Hands Around Homedale effort, the Homedale FFA chapter, local churches and the Salvation Army also are pitching in to help about 20 additional area families.

The FFA chapter sponsors one family each year as part of its Gift of Green community service project.

Erminger Construction of Boise is doing this stage of the project, Marsing chief of maintenance Danny Martin said. The next step will be the installation of the tank proper, and the work on the new pumps for the city's wells.

A retaining pool will be sited behind the tank, Martin said, as an area in which to purge the tank should that ever be necessary.

Head of city maintenance Danny Martin and city engineer Amy Woodruff have presented the possibility of purchasing larger 10-horsepower variable-flow pumps for the four main Marsing wells. The pumps, which qualify for a \$2,500 rebate from Idaho Power because of their efficiency, might both save money for the city on its electrical bill, as well Marsing Chamber of Commerce presents: **Day at the North Pole Saturday December 13 • Marsing Community Center** Holiday Parade: 10:00 a.m. Community Center: 11:00 a.m. • 5:00 pm Santa Claus • professional photos by CTR Live Auction at Noon • wreaths & decorated trees Food • Vendors • Make-a-gifts Live Entertainment & More! For more information or Vendors, call 896-7001

Law enforcement briefs

Homedale man assaulted

An altercation in Homedale on Friday night sent 21-yearold Matthew Sandberg to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell with a head injury and possible concussion. Police and ambulance responded to the call at 10:56 p.m. and found Sandberg drifting in and out of consciousness, according to the dispatch log. A sweep of the area for the other man involved — whose name is unknown — was not successful.

Woman pokes deputy

A call reported Judith M. Phillips as "intoxicated and unruly" at 4:19 a.m. Saturday. The caller, her husband, reported Judith was "trying to take the car keys and leave the house."

When members of the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office arrived, they learned she had just left in a white 2007 Suzuki. Deputy Chris Even found the vehicle, pulled Phillips over, locked the vehicle and provided a courtesy transport back to her residence.

At the residence, Phillips, 57, reportedly poked Even in the chest with her cane and asked if he would arrest her, Chief Deputy Bruce Cameron said. Even grasped the cane and warned her not to poke him, at which point Phillips reportedly uttered an obscenity and attempted to poke him again.

Phillips was arrested for battery to an officer and taken to Murphy.

Man hides from searchers In a surreal manhunt for a man not wanting to be found, 10 members of the sheriff's office and Posse spent hours looking for Michael Beutler of Boise, who was reported missing by his mother. The initial reports also said the man might be a possible suicide. Cameron said. The search began at just before 11:30 a.m. on Saturday at Beutler's campsite off Silver City Road.

A ham radio operator had encountered a man on an ATV who was searching for Beutler. The operator, identified only as "Jim" in the report, later reported finding a new tent and camping supplies as well as an empty gun scabbard.

No one was found at the camp site, and Cameron wrote his initial report. Upon returning to the

camp site with the missing man's mother some 15 or 20 minutes later, Cameron saw that Beutler's pack had been left at the site, and that Beutler had also changed his boots in the interim. Both officers and relatives called for Beutler, but he did not appear.

That evening, a flyover of the site revealed that a campfire had been lit.

The missing man later returned home, saving he was "doing some soul-searching", Cameron said. He also reported that Beutler said that he did not know anyone was looking for him.

The operation's estimated cost of \$1,500 to \$1,800 will be billed to Beutler, Cameron confirmed.

Dispute results in long walk

A reported domestic verbal incident at 11:27 p.m. Saturday resulted in the arrest of Kim Hyatt on an Owyhee County warrant. The warrant served was for disturbing the peace and battery. Hyatt was booked and later bailed out. Hyatt was described as "extremely intoxicated" during the argument with her boyfriend.

Three hours later, Deputy Chris Even found a vehicle parked, engine running, in the junction of Idaho highway 55 and U.S. Highway 95. A check found the vehicle was registered to Hyatt. Hyatt and her boyfriend were found, arguing once again, and the vehicle was pushed off the roadway onto the shoulder.

Hyatt was last reported to be walking home, while "her boyfriend decided to walk to California", according to the

dispatch log.

Joyriders wreck car

Cindy Marks of Homedale reported that her 1995 Ford Escort had been stolen, and that her husband had found it wrecked on Northside Road, at 9:22 a.m. Sunday. Investigation led to the discovery that four juveniles two boys and two girls — had pushed the car down the street, started it, and gone joyriding. At some point, the car had struck a deer, suffering what deputies described as extensive damage.

Two girls were supposed to be baby-sitting during the period when they were riding in the stolen vehicle. Both were cited for misdemeanor joyriding. The boys involved, due to the amount of damage incurred, face felony joyriding charges. The case is in the hands of the county prosecutor, Cameron said. The driver faces an additional charge of failing to purchase a driver's license.

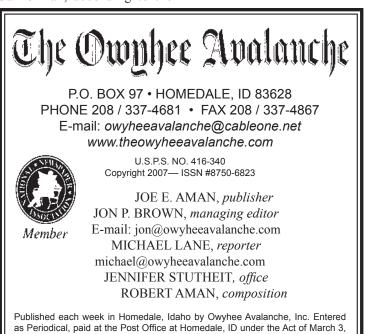
As there was no intent to permanently deprive Marks of the vehicle, charges of grand theft cannot be made, Cameron said.

Snowflake to do time

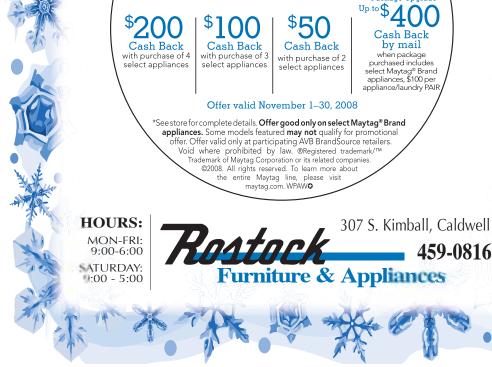
A burglar alarm at the Marsing Elementary School just after midnight on Sunday was triggered by a decoration's motion. Tony Malmberg of the Sheriff's Posse responded to room 102 and dealt with the situation.

"The culprit was a snowflake hanging from the ceiling. It has been arrested and removed," the log states.

- MML









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City drops political sign defacing case

A man accused of defacing a political sign days before the Nov. 4 general election saw the charge against him dropped Wednesday in a Homedale courtroom.

Tony Lopez, a longtime town resident, had entered a not guilty plea during his arraignment the day after the Nov. 4 election.

On Wednesday, Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober dismissed the case at the behest of city prosecutor Michael Duggan.

Lopez faced a misdemeanor charge of malicious injury to property after then-sheriff's candidate Daryl Crandall signed a complaint accusing Lopez of defacing a "Crandall for Sheriff" sign with a large slash painted in black, the universal symbol for "no".

Lopez was arraigned on the charge hours after Crandall won the election, but then went behind closed doors for a lengthy discussion with Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller immediately after the Nov. 5 hearing.

Lopez said that Eidemiller told him at the time that the charges would be dismissed.

Nix to face trial

Homedale resident Angelique Tye-Nix, arrested after a public altercation with her boyfriend on Sept. 4, faces a Jan. 16 trial on charges of battery and resisting or obstructing a police officer. She appeared in court Wednesday.

Nix was arrested after witnesses allegedly saw her hitting Shannon Burton as the couple rode in a pickup east on Idaho Avenue.

Burton parked, and Homedale Police Officer Mike McFetridge responded to the scene. McFetridge and Nix wound up on the ground as the officer tried to handcuff her. — JPB

Homedale council tackles rate hikes

The Homedale City Council meets tonight with a full agenda, including the proposed increases in sewer rates and airport lease rates discussed during a Nov. 12 public hearing.

The meeting begins at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. In addition to the rate hike discussions, presentations will be made on the planned playground equipment at Sundance Park as well as an update on Homedale Youth Sports Inc.

Councilmen also will hear the annual audit for city finances as well as the regular departmental reports. The council is scheduled to finish the evening in executive session. According to the council agenda, the Idaho Code designation used to call the executive session deals with litigation. No other details on the content of the executive session was available at press time.

Lopez jailed on pot charge

Homedale man arrested after July raid of home

Adelberto Lopez, the Homedale resident arrested July 7 for marijuana possession, and on whose property 12 plants were found, was sentenced Nov. 25.

The court dismissed the more serious of the two charges — manufacture of a controlled substance and sentencing was limited to his conviction on possession of more than three ounces of marijuana.

Lopez was sentenced to $1\frac{1}{2}$ years determinate in the state penitentiary, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ years indeterminate, but the court suspended both sentences. Lopez will instead serve 30 days in the Canyon County Jail, where he may be eligible for work release. He will also do 100 hours of community service, and may attend counseling if his probation officer feels it's necessary.

He will be on probation for three years.

Lopez will have to pay \$110.50 in court fees to the county, as well as covering the costs of the public defender.



Adelberto Lopez

- MML

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$\sqrt{$ Impact: Established area of impact will help city control its own future

were pleased with the preparatory work the city did in getting to this point.

"They've already met with the Planning and Zoning Commission to discuss the impact area, and they also got an engineer helping them do this," commission chair Jerry Hoagland said. "The county is really pleased with the way it's proceeding."

The nine-person panel is comprised of Marsing Mayor Keith Green and council persons Stella Bush and Marie Herman, commissioners Hoagland, Harold "Hal" Tolmie and Dick Freund, and Marsingarea residents Michelle Jacobi, David VanWassenhove and Tim Miller.

Miller and VanWassenhove are farmers in the area where Marsing wants to expand

its sphere of influence, while Jacobi lives within the city limits.

"We should have an impact zone by the end of the month," Green predicted. "The engineers did a really nice job."

The zone as approved is bounded on the north by Thompson Road, on the west by Edison Road, on the south by Pershall Road and on the east by the high water mark on the Snake River.

The county will still assess taxes in the zone, Green explained, but usually city ordinances are imposed in an impact zone so that enforcement will not require a reworking when development occurs there. Green expects there to be no friction over the point, as it was county board of commissioners consultant Fred Grant who suggested precisely that arrangement.

Hoagland said the process executed by Marsing should avoid the convoluted impact area negotiations endured by the county and the City of Homedale between 2004 and 2006. Steps to form a negotiation committee weren't taken until September 2005 during that process. The big hangup was a precise location of the area of impact boundary.

"I wasn't around when the Homedale one was done, but I know there were some serious errors in legal descriptions," Hoagland said.

Marsing will see benefits in its ability to control its own future and deal with several

legal issues, Green pointed out.

"It's going to allow us to expand city limits where we were already servicing people, and to take in property already owned by the city," he said.

Having served customers within the limits avoids questions of legality that could arise with using city funds to repair lines — even those delivering city services — outside the city itself. Additionally, the city will see some small gains in tax base, if only from the linear feet of road in the Housing Authority and Marsing Labor Camp, which will be inside the new limits.

"Every penny counts," Green said. — MML and JPB

$\sqrt{\text{Homedale: 4-H kids sought to build goodie bags for kids on Thursday}}$

No pre-entries are taken for the parade. All participants must begin lineup in front of Tolmie's Ace Hardware on East Owyhee Avenue at 9:30 a.m., according to Chamber president Gavin by Thursday had heard from a dozen entries. One of those entries will be an unusual one — a camel from Caldwell named Clyde.

After the parade, the Chamber will hold its turkey raffle on North Main in front of the U.S. Post Office. Local businesses made minimum donations of \$20 apiece for the turkeys, and raffle entry forms are available in the special

section inside this week's edition of The Owyhee Avalanche. Entries must be returned to participating businesses or designated drop-off sites by 4 p.m. Friday. No entries will be accepted Saturday.

Parker said that at least 36 turkeys will be raffled.

after the parade in front of the Frontier Communications office, also on North Main.

Maleta Henry, who represents Chamber member Rehab Authority, is looking for 4-H children to stuff the goodie bags with candy, oranges and peanuts provided by the Homedale Lions Club. The community service opportunity will take place at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at Rehab Authority on East Idaho Avenue. Henry said the project should only take about 30 minutes and she will provide refreshments.

For more information on the

Parker. Main

Cash prizes will be awarded for the top parade entries.

Parker said he expects a big turnout for this year's parade and Santa also will hand out goodie bags to the first 300 children 12 years and younger who line up parade, call Parker at 337-3271. For more information on the bag stuffing, call Henry at 337-3473 or 250-3996.

— JPB

$\sqrt{\text{Marsing:}}$ Trees to be auctioned during festive Day at North Pole event

Santa Claus will be in the parade.

Snake River Mart and Marsing's WICAP Head Start have confirmed their floats already, and there will be a Horse Brigade display by The Owyhee Cattlemen's Association to celebrate the organization's 135 years.

After the parade, Santa will be available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the community center for pictures and for children to share their wish lists with.

Vendors will have gift items like Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls, hand-crafted jewelry, handbags, purses, wood items, Cathedral Soaps, Christmas wreaths, stockings, candles, books, food, fudge and more.

The Marsing High School Senior Parents Group will be selling hand-made tamales, soup, cider and hot chocolate to raise money for the Class of 2009 drug-free graduation party. There will be some games for children and live Christmas music from 11 a.m. to the event's 5 p.m. wrap-up.

The Friends of the Lizard Butte Library will host two tables during the event as well. A book sale will be conducted at one table, while a second table will feature holiday sweets for sale. A special feature will be the unveiling of a queen-sized quilt that the Friends of Lizard Butte Library will be raffle on Mother's Day 2009.

Musical acts include Jim Shriver, The Silver Jammers quartet, The Titus Band, the Marsing First Ward Children Choir, Marsing High School choir and band, Marlene Moore, Jackie Vacarro and The Sevy Band.

A live auction will be held at

noon for bidding one decorated trees, ready to go for set-up in your home or office. The auctioneer will be Fred Christensen. The funds raised will be donated to the Marsing volunteer fire department.

Trees were donated by Terry Reilly Clinic in Marsing, Marsing City Hall, Caba's, Marsing Chiropractic, Essence Of Life, and Rob Troxel with the Marsing Housing Authority.



Homedale's Zatica wins real estate award

Homedale resident Patti Zatica, right, and American Dream Real Estate owner Nikki Trautman pose after Zatica was given the Caldwell Board of Realtors (CBOR) 2008 Rookie of the Year last month. Zatica, who is in her second year as a CBOR board member, won the award after earning at least \$1 million in gross sales in her first year as a Realtor. "Patti's success comes simply because everything she does," Trautman said. "She does extremely well and stands above the crowd. Patti has an incredible amount of business knowledge, she's amazingly detailed oriented, very bright, so ethical, and great with her clients." Submitted photo

Homedale Lutheran church serves free Advent Soup Suppers

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Homedale will hold two Advent Soup Suppers today and next Wednesday.

The free suppers will take place mas Eve a at 6 p.m. both days at the church on the corner of Sixth Street and 337-4248.

West Idaho Avenue. Advent Services under the direction of Pastor Ross Shaver follow at 7 p.m.

The church also plans Christmas Eve and Christmas services. For more information, call 337-4248.



MONTE C. DAVIS, 72, of Jordan Valley, Ore., died Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2008, at an Ontario, Ore., care center. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2008, at the Jordan Valley Lions Den.

CECIL HILL, 72, of Homedale passed away at his home on Sunday, Dec. 7, 2008. Services are under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale.

DONNAALZA TARR NELSON, 78, formerly of Ridgeview, Ore., died Friday, Nov. 28, 2008, at home. A viewing was held Friday, Dec. 5, 2008, at Dakan Funeral Chapel in Caldwell, and services took place Saturday, Dec. 6, 2008, at Caldwell Free Methodist Church. Burial followed at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

Homedale students set music concerts

Elementary school and middle school students from Homedale have embarked on a holiday tour of sorts this week.

The students, under the guidance of school district general music teacher Lee Savell, began a five-shows-in-nine-days schedule Tuesday with thirdgraders singing Christmas music at the Homedale Senior Citizens Center's luncheon.

The music continues at 1:30 p.m. Thursday when a combination of 30 third- and fourth-grade students will sing for residents at Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation on West Owyhee Avenue.

Fourth-graders will sing at the senior center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., at noon next Tuesday, hours before Homedale first- and second-graders present their Christmas Concert at 7 p.m. at the elementary school, 420 W. Washington Ave.

At 7 p.m. on Dec. 18, fifthand sixth-graders will hold their Christmas program at Homedale Middle School.



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Homedale center

Dec. 10: BBQ beef on bun, potatoes, California vegetables, beverage.

Dec. 11: Baked fish, baked potato, carrots, roll, beverage. Dec. 16: Pork, mashed potatoes/

gravy, beets, roll, beverage.

Dec. 17: Hearty vegetable beef stew, roll, beverage.

Marsing center

Dec. 10: Lasagna, spinach, garlic bread, tossed salad, soup, dessert, beverage.

Dec. 11: Roast pork, succotash, potatoes w/gravy, carrot salad, cranberry juice, bran muffins, fruit

School menus

Homedale Elementary

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.

Dec. 12: Hot ham/cheese or turkey sandwich, yogurt, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 15: Wiener wrap or chicken bacon belt, mac & cheese, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, rice krispy bar, milk.

Dec. 16: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 17: Chicken patty or rib-b-que sandwich, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, animal crackers, milk.

Dec. 18: Turkey & gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, fruit salad, roll, pumpkin pie, milk.

Homedale Middle

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

Dec. 11: Lasagna or pizza hot pocket, green beans, break stick, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 12: Pizza or popcorn chicken, salad, cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 15: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 16: Fish nuggets or mini corn dogs, rice, brownie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 17: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 18: Turkey & gravy, mashed potatoes, jello, roll, strawberry shortcake, milk.

Homedale High

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

Dec. 11: Chicken patty or hamburger, potato wedges, sherbet cup, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 12: Chicken taco or French dip sandwich, corn, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 15: Pizza, nachos or chef salad, cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 16: Chicken nuggets or egg rolls, rice pilaf, green beans, fortune cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 17: Idaho haystack, burrito, pizza hot pocket, churro, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Dec. 18: Turkey & gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, jello fruit salad, roll, pumpkin cake, milk.

Marsing

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

Dec. 11: Red Baron pizza, salad, dessert, baked potato, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Dec. 12: Burrito, dessert, hot dog/chorizo, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Dec. 15: Tator tot casserole, Red Baron pizza, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Dec. 16: Nachos, refried beans, pozole, salad bar, fruit bar, milk. Dec. 17: Waffles, scrambled eggs & sliced ham, strawberries, chicken burger, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.



cobbler cake, beverage.

Dec. 15: Breakfast to order. Dec. 16: Liver & onions or chef's choice, mixed vegetables, potatoes, salad, soup, dessert, beverage.

Dec. 17: BBQ ribs, baked potato, spinach salad, soup, peach crisp, beverage.

Bruneau

Dec. 10: Ham & beans, corn bread, salad, maple bar, fruit, milk. Dec. 11: Stomboli, wedges, veggie, fruit, cookie, milk.

Dec. 12: Nachos & salsa, salad, corn, bread stick, fruited jello, milk. Dec. 15: Chicken wrap, rice, stir fry veggie, mandarin oranges, fortune cookie, milk.

Dec. 16: Lasagna, salad, fruit, garlic bread, milk. Dec. 17: Hamburger, tots, veggie, fruit, cookie, milk.

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Calendar

Today

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

Senior citizens board meeting

1:30 p.m., meeting and 2009 officer elections, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Owyhee Watershed Council meeting

4 p.m., Owyhee Watershed Council office, 106 Owyhee St., Adrian. (541) 372-5782

Advent Soup Supper

6 p.m., free, Advent services at 7 p.m., Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, corner of Sixth Street and Idaho Avenue, Homedale. (208) 337-4248

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

Thursday

Owyhee Conservation District board meeting 10 a.m., 250 N Old Bruneau Highway, Marsing.

(208) 896-4544 Exercise class

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

El-Ada commodity distribution

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

Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon

Noon, Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 W. 1st St. (208) 337-3271

Senior citizens lunch

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

Owyhee Gardeners meeting

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

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

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

Adrian school board meeting

7 p.m., Adrian School Library

AA meeting

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

Owyhee County Fair Board meeting

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

Friday

Country Christmas Bazaar

Marsing Christmas Parade

- 10 a.m., downtown Marsing. (208) 896-7001 Marsing Chamber Day at the North Pole
- 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., wreath and tree auction at noon, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing. (208) 896-7001

Christmas benefit auction

7 p.m., Last Chance Saloon, 120 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4916

Monday

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

Marsing Lions Club meeting

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

Tuesday

Exercise class

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

Noon, songs by Homedale Elementary School fourth-graders, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

El-Ada commodity distribution

- 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., El-Ada Owyhee office, 15 W. Colorado Ave. Homedale. (208) 337-4812
- **Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting** 6 p.m., Grand View fire station
- Senior citizens dinner

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

Elementary school Christmas concert 7 p.m., first- and second-graders, Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave.

AA meeting

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

Wednesday

El-Ada commodity distribution

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Advent Soup Suppers

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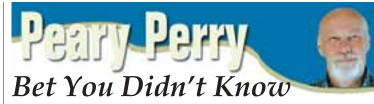
DivorceCare recovery support group

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

Grand View Elementary Christmas Pageant 7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau. (208) 834-2775

Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting 7 p.m., Essence of Life, 107 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-7001

Thursday, Dec. 18



I now pronounce you bride and rock

Weird stuff ... in 1976 a lady in Los Angeles married a 50-pound rock. More than 20 people attended the wedding. Gives "You may kiss the bride" a new dimension doesn't it?

It was Johannes Muller who discovered proteins in the year 1830.

You knew that eggs aren't as likely to crack during boiling if you add a few tablespoons of vinegar to the water. You might also prick a small hole in the large end of the egg as well.

You probably don't remember that it was Robert Ferry who set a distance record of 2,213 miles in a helicopter in 1966.

How old is the oldest piano still in existence? One that was built in 1720.

Speaking of pianos, no one knows where Mozart is buried.

Think Pasadena, Calif., and the Tournament of Roses or the Rose parade should come to mind.

— For more information on Peary Perry or to read more of his writings or to make a comment, visit www.pearyperry.com

New columnist debuts in today's Avalanche

Peary Perry, a uniquely named columnist and former cop, makes his debut in The Owyhee Avalanche today.

Perry's column "Bet You Didn't Know" will offer a handful of quick-hit quick facts each week. Some of the information is trivial, but some of it is helpful, too. Also an author, Perry has been writing columns for 20 years. In addition to "Bet You Didn't Know", he also publishes a column entitled "Letters from North America". His writings appear in about 70 publications in the U.S.

Find more on Perry and his writings at www.pearyperry.com.

Homedale seniors elect board members today

The Homedale Senior Citizens Center will hold a board meeting today to elect officers for 2009.

The meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the senior center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Other events planned for the remainder of December at the

perform for diners during lunch at noon on Tuesday.

• The center will hold its Christmas dinner and party at 1 p.m. on Dec. 23. Attendees should bring an inexpensive exchange gift. Santa will be on hand.

The senior center will close for

9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Homedale Armory, Owyhee County Fairgounds, Nevada Avenue, Homedale. (208) 337-3914

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

Saturday

Country Christmas Bazaar

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Homedale Armory, Owyhee County Fairgounds, Nevada Avenue, Homedale. (208) 337-3914

Christmas bazaar

10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Owyhee Lanes Restaurant banquet room, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3757

Homedale for the Holidays Parade

10 a.m., downtown Homedale

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

Middle school Christmas concert

7 p.m., fifth- and sixth-graders, Homedale Middle School, 3437 Johnstone Road

AA meeting

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

You can find a comprehensive listing of local events online at www.theowyheeavalanche.com. Click of the iCalendar of Eventsî link on the lefthand side of the page. For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681. center include:

• The Homedale Elementary School's fourth-grade chorus will

the holiday on Dec. 24-26 and will re-open on Dec. 29.

Reach the center at 337-3020.



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Federal official preps Owyhee for digital TV

The federal government has mobilized in its effort to ensure that Owyhee County and surrounding areas are prepared for the digital television conversion coming early next year.

Last week, a Federal Communications Commission representative visited senior centers in Homedale and Grand View to answer questions about how county television viewers can be prepared for the switch from analog to digital over-the-air broadcasting, which begins Feb. 17.

After Feb. 17, anyone receiving broadcasts on an antenna won't see their favorite programming unless they have a TV with a digital tuner or obtain a special box to convert the signal back to analog.

The conversion and possible problems that could be encountered brought FCC Wireline Competition Bureau spokesman Mark Wigfield to Owyhee County last week.

Workshops were held at the Homedale Senior Citizens Center on Dec. 2 and Grand View's Rimrock Senior Center on Thursday.

According to a handout provided by Wigfield, 30.2 percent of households in Owyhee County receive TV service over the air and could need convertor boxes to continue receiving broadcast signals. That's nearly three times the national average, Wigfield said.

The boxes are available from

larger electronics stores and retailers, typically for between \$40 and \$70. The federal government also has authorized millions of \$40 vouchers to help lessen the financial impact of buying a convertor. The coupons, limited to two per household, have expiration dates, Wigfield warned, adding that the latest coupons expire in February. Of more than 1,800 coupons re-

quested by Owyhee viewers, only 879 (or 46.7 percent) have been redeemed so far, Wigfield said.

More information on the conversion, convertor boxes and vouchers can be obtained by calling (888) CALL-FCC (325-5322) or logging on to DTV.gov

Wigfield came from Washing-

ton, D.C., to talk about the digital conversion in the 12-county Boise Designated Market Area (DMA), which includes Owyhee and Malheur counties. In the DMA, only Malheur has a larger percentage of over-the-air TV customers than Owyhee (34.1 percent), but nearly half of more than 5,400 coupons requested have been redeemed in the Oregon county.

Wigfield said Owyhee is unique among the counties he is covering because of the large non-Englishspeaking population, poverty level and geography. In fact, Wigfield said Owyhee has the top percentage of non-English-speaking TV viewers in the Boise DMA.

Because of those factors, there

is a higher concentration of antenna-only viewers and a communication barrier that could lessen the impact of the message that has been distributed by the federal government for months now.

Wigfield said getting ready for the digital conversion means more than just plugging the TV into a convertor box. He urges folks to get convertors in plenty of time so they can test the setup.

"The setup may not work. They may need to get a better antenna outside," Wigfield said.

Wigfield said that a weak analog broadcast signal translates as a snowy screen, but when a digital signal is weak, a TV viewer will see no picture at all.

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Folks worth knowing in Owyhee County

GENE AND RUTH CLAPIER Marsing parade grand marshals

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

Clapiers reflect on 50 years of **Owyhee County**

Gene and Ruth Clapier will be enjoying this year's Marsing Christmas parade from the comfort of a vintage Ford Mustang provided by Julie Sterling; at the head of the event as its grand marshals.

The Clapiers have lived in Marsing for 50 of their 55 married years — they started out together in Arock, 25 miles from Jordan Valley — and bring a breadth of view, involvement and knowledge of the area they both think is one of the best spots anywhere to live.

"It's a really good place to live, after all, we don't live anywhere else," Gene said. "The climate has a lot to do with it. And it's peaceful."

"It's a great community," Ruth said. "It's the best community there is. If you need help, they are always here; it's just that kind of community."

The Clapiers have seen the community from many viewpoints: As parents, business owners, ranchers, volunteers. It's changed over the years — Gene echoes many longtime residents' wry take on expanded traffic ("You can't go anywhere without a pair of headlights behind you") — but they are deeply invested in the area. Even if the nights have changed a bit.

"Fifty years ago, it was what you called 'dark' at night," Ruth observed wryly. "You could see the stars without all the city lights."

Gene and Ruth have always had cows — more now that Gene is "retired" - and have been active in Marsing business as well. They ran a fruit stand located across the street from Essence of Life, on what is now Jim White's auto dealership, for 13 years, and a feed store in the building now occupied by Stop-N-Shop on Main Street for 10 years. Gene also worked with Gem Highway District for six years.

a laugh.

Her involvement in the city expanded when she began to work with the Marsing Disaster Auction in 1972. Ruth began by supplying the cooking to keep the auctioneers rolling, moved into fund- and donation-raising and then on to the disbursement end of the charity, with all its attached challenges.

The disaster auction helps homeowners after devastating fires, schools in sudden need or people with unforeseen medical bills; true disasters. New items donated are put up at the February auction, and the funds used for critical issues only.

"Only disasters," Ruth confirmed. "It has to be pretty legit."

The fundraiser's Ambulance Fund, in combination with money from Owyhee County, recently purchased a new ambulance for Marsing.

The Disaster Auction won the praise of both Clapiers. It is something, they said, that takes the whole community to make it work — something that takes a place like Marsing.

Ruth was also involved with the Spring Festival parade that ran from 1985 or so for about 15 years, so parades are no stranger to her. Though heading one will be a new adventure. Gene has been a grand marshal once before, as one of four veterans honored as the American Legion representatives in the Owyhee County Rodeo parade.

Gene is kept busy with his cows, and is helped by sons Bodie and Craig. Just who's in charge depends on where you're standing.

"I'm the table boss," Gene explained, referring to the kitchen table. "Outside, it's generally Bodie," he added. How does one manage to get the nod for grand marshal of a parade?



Marsing fixtures named grand marshals

Ruth and Gene Clapier have lived in Marsing for 50 years, and *in that time — they say — some* things have changed but the heart of the community has stayed the same.

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They have raised five children, all graduates of Marsing High School, too.

"Having a business, and kids in school, that will involve you in a community," Ruth said with

"Be old," Gene said with a laugh.

As the Clapiers' history shows, there's a lot more to it than that. - MML

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Marsing Chamber to hear about crime prevention

how to safeguard businesses against criminals during its meeting at 7 p.m. next Wednesday at the Essence of Life, 111 Main St. A member of the Owyhee County Sheriff's

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce will discuss Office will serve as guest speaker and give tips on how businesses can protect against theft, fraud and scams The topic has been brought to the forefront in the wake of a rash of burglaries at Main Street businesses last month.





INVITATION TO AREA RESIDENTS



New Electrical Transmission Line Planned

Idaho Power representatives invite you to learn about the proposed Gateway West transmission line. This project includes 1,150 miles of new lines between eastern Wyoming and southwest Idaho. Construction is set to begin in 2011. New transmission lines are needed to provide greater reliability and meet customer electricity demand for future generations.

Please note the date and time (listed at right) when company representatives will be available in your community to answer questions, take comments and share more information including a detailed map of the proposed line route. Or visit Idaho Power's Web site at www.idahopower.com/newsroom/projnews/gateway/.

Stop by at your convenience:

10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 15

Owyhee County Museum 17085 Basey St. Murphy, Idaho

HHS choir performs at Chamber luncheon

Officer nominations also on tap

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce will celebrate the season and look ahead during its monthly luncheon Thursday.

The first half-hour of the noontime meeting at the Owyhee Lanes Restaurant will be devoted to Christmas music as the Homedale High School choir entertains business leaders.

After the music program, the business meeting will begin

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with an agenda that includes nomination of officers for 2009.

Chamber president Gavin Parker said nominations will be taken for president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. In addition to Parker, the current board of officers includes treasurer/VP Brad Dines and secretary Robin Aberasturi. But changes in their work situations have forced both Dines and Aberasturi to scale back their Chamber activities this year.

Parker said nominations from Thursday's meeting will be voted on during the Chamber's Jan. 8 meeting.

Idaho Power outlines its Gateway West project

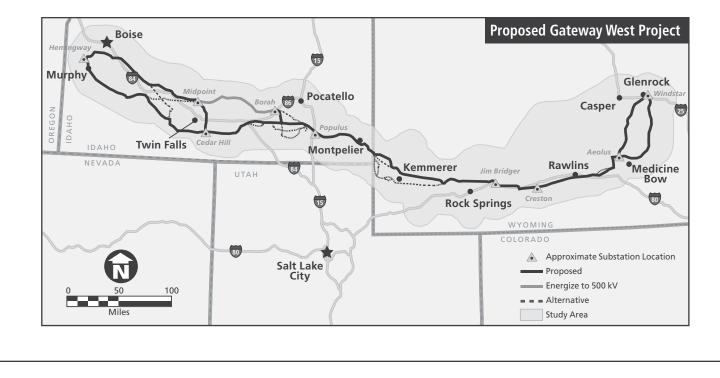
Representatives from Idaho Power Co., are set to answer questions and provide information on the proposed Gateway West 500-kilovolt (kV) transmission line connecting a proposed Hemingway Substation northwest of Murphy to Windstar substation near Glenrock, Wyo.

An informational meeting will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday in Murphy at the Owyhee County Historical Museum.

This line connects to the Boardman-to-Hemingway proposed transmission line that crosses a large number of properties in Owyhee and Malheur counties, (see the B2H news focus site at www.theowyheeavalanche. com) but is a separate project.

Construction on the southern route is "set to begin in 2011", though, as of present, Owyhee County commissioners have said that no conditional use permits have been requested or granted, to their knowledge.

The 1,150 miles of new lines in the Gateway West project are "needed to provide greater reliability and meet customer demand for future generations", according to an Idaho Power release. More information is available at www.idahopower.com/ newsroom/projnews/gateway/.





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Owyhee law, HHS students help at Shop with a Cop



Saturday's annual Shop with a Cop children's event at the Nampa K-Mart had a decidedly Owyhee County flavor.

In addition to nearly a dozen children from the Homedale-Marsing area getting shopping escorts from law enforcement, students from Homedale High School helped wrapped the presents once the nearly 50 children were finished filling their Christmas lists for family.

Homedale High industrial arts teacher Mike Greeley chaperoned the students who helped wrapped

gifts. There also were students from Melba High on hand to wrap merchandise.

The children were driven from breakfast to the K-Mart in a long, pre-dawn procession of police cars complete with flashing lights and sirens.

Children from Owyhee and Canyon counties were escorted by personnel from law enforcement agencies such as Owyhee County Sheriff's Office, police departments from Homedale, Wilder/ Greenleaf, Parma, Nampa and Caldwell and the Canyon County

County reaches out

Counter-clockwise from left: Homedale students wrap presents for children.

Homedale Police Cpl. Perry Grant checks out some merchandise with his shopper.

Owyhee Sheriff's Deputy Aron Streibel and Owyhee County jailerJim Mackenzie get ready to hit the aisles with their charge.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Bruce Cameron and another youth.

HPD personnel and the children they escorted in Nampa.

Sheriff's Office.

The Homedale wrapping crew included students from Greeley's classes as well as from classes taught by Jim McMillan and Thomas Thomas. The students were Chris Bueno, Shane Witt, Becky Johnson, Shirin Mamedova, Blanca Uriarte, Carolina Salgado, Stephanie Gomez, Ulysses Vargas, Johnny Garibay, Alfredo Machuca, Mario Gaeta and Kindra Eidemiller.

Homedale Police personnel who helped Saturday included Chief Jeff Eidemiller, Cpl. Perry Grant



and Officers Atanacio Montes, Mike McFetridge, Jeff Jensen and reservist Bob Goodman.

Owyhee County was represented by sheriff's personnel including Chief Deputy Bruce Cameron, Deputy Aron Streibel and Jim Mackenzie, a detention officer at the county jail.

Owyhee deputies Russ Turner, Slade Heeb and John Nagel also accompanied children from the Grand View-Bruneau area to the Shop with a Cop event Saturday at the Wal-Mart in Mountain Home.

Breakfast was served at Nampa's Trinity Lutheran Church and was provided by IHOP. Krispy Kreme provided doughnuts at the store, and other event sponsors included Larry Miller Auto Dealers, Giving Hands Bingo, Hopkins Evergreen and Curtis Clean Sweep.

— JPB



Essay: Why America's veterans should be honored

by Morgan Hall Marsing Middle School seventh-grader

How did veterans gain our respect and now why do they deserve to be respected and honored? Growing up in a family where both my grandpas were veterans you'd think I'd hear a lot about the wars, right, but I didn't. The only thing my grandpa ever had to say about the Army is that he'd peeled way more potatoes than my grandma ever had. I guess that's because it's probably too painful to go back through all those hard memories. America's veterans are honored because of their pride in our country, dedication towards their work and America. And the sacrifices that they made to serve our country. Pride in our country, what's that mean? This means our veterans take honor in serving our country and they do it willingly. They leave home with nothing but determination and pride, but when they come back they are a new person and someone who we owe our lives, and are forever

indebted to. Pride in our country is something that is spread strongly and widely throughout our nation.

If you've ever talked to a veteran you'll find each one has a dedication to our country. Dedication is when someone is devoted to someone or something whole-heartedly. Our veterans were determined and devoted when they stepped out onto those battlefields. Fighting for America and/or our freedom is something that took dedication, determination, heart and guts for our veterans to do. Honoring them is just one way we can show them how grateful we are for their bravery and the way they served our nation.

up and he had nowhere to go. Life was hard for a time but eventually got better. Point is, not only him but many of our veterans gave up everything for life at war, to defend our country. Veterans are honored because of the sacrifices they made, to go to war and under the worst circumstances



How many of you, if you were asked right now, would go away to war and leave everything behind? Probably not very many, right. When my grandpa went to war, he like many other soldiers left behind everything. After serving he came back to find his parents had been killed in a car accident. His family was now split everything gone.

I can't put into even the littlest detail what our veterans went through out there or why we should honor them, but can't you see for yourself why? Veterans gave up everything for practically a life of nothing, except for the one good reason - to serve our country well. I hope now when you look at a veteran, you see a person who we our forever indebted to for our life and freedom, a person with determination and dedication, who served with a will and should be honored. So now my question to you is why not honor the people who we owe our lives to, the men and women who served our country and who are our heroes?

Veterans hear winning essay

Morgan Hall, Marsing seventh-grader, delivers her VFW prizewinning essay "Why America's veterans should be honored" to an assembly of vets, family and friends at the Marsing Senior Center on Friday night. Hall won kudos, \$100 and the applause of her listeners, including her teacher, Jim Eisentrager.

"Now I have to give you an A, which is easy, since I already did," Eisentrager said.

In the VFW fundraiser drawing the same evening, organizers announced Homedale's Corey Garrett as winner of the Remington 870 shotgun raffled this year. Over 1,000 tickets were sold.

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Happy Holidays

Residents have included several gifts on their wish lists, but local "Santas" need only to select one item. Gifts may be gift wrapped and tagged with the number and item selected. Gifts need to be dropped off to the Avalanche office by Dec. 22nd

The annual Owyhee Avalanche Christmas gift project for the residents of Owyhee Health & Rehabilitation Center Homedale ends Dec. 22rd

Wish List

Female: Coat (L), CD player, cardigan w/pocket (L)
 Female: Chocaloate, radio, jewelry, watch
 Female: Socks (L), slippers (XL), CD player
 Female: Slippers (M), lotion, heavy throw blanket
 Female: Socks, Pepsi, lotion, chocolate, heavy throw blanket
 Female: Nightgown (M), jewelry, blouse (M)

6. Female: Nightgown (M), jewelry, blouse (M)
7. Female: Jewelry, jewelry box, blouse (L), slacks (sz18)
8. Dress shoes (8.5), Wind Song perfume, purse
9. Female: Slipper socks, perfume, lotion
10. Female: Diet Pepsi, nail polish, jeans (sz20), shirts (2XL)
11. Female: Blouse (XL), petite slacks (sz18)
12. Female: Pull up slack pant (sz18), camisole (XL)
13. Female: Simple puzzles, perfume, duster gown (L)
14. Female: Blouse (L), pull up slack (sz12)
16. Female: Fiber optic item, aromatherapy item, DVD movie
17. Female: Knee hi socks, duster (L), perfume
18. Female: Duster (XL), CD player, gospel CD
19. Female: Word search books, perfume, large print reading material
21. Female: Stuffed animal, jewelry
22. Female: Hair barretts, twin size throw blanket

 Male: Tennis shoes (9.5), CD player, sweat suit (M)
 Male: Velcro shoes (9), western CD, cologne/aftershave, jeans (34x34)
 Male: Aftershave, sweat suits (XL), chocolates
 Male: Electric razor, sweat suit (XXL), coat (XXXL)
 Male: Electric razor, sweat suit (XXL), coat (XXXL)
 Male: Western shirt (M), CD player, western CDs
 Male: Candy, snuff, cigars
 Male: CD player (walkman style), insulated socks, bandana
 Male: Gospel CD, slipper socks, sweat pants (M)
 Male: Cologne, DVD movies, flannel sleep pants (L)
 Male: Cologne, blank CDs for computer, t-shirt (L), western shirt (L)
 Male: Cologne, wester shirt (M), flannel sleep pants (L)

Miscellaneous Items: Western of Family DVDs, games, oldie karaoke CDs, heavy throw blankets, twin size pillows, trivia games, word search puzzles, memory games.

Marsing 'Little Mermaid' show dazzles

by Teri Belle Smit

The stars were shining in Marsing on Saturday as local students presented two performances of the Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) production of The Little Mermaid in the Marsing School Cafeteria.

MCT's directors/actors Gregory Kanter and Jason Studley held an audition Dec. 1, and cast 65 students, including two assistant directors, for this production. After five days of vigorous rehearsals, the curtains went up and the students dazzled the audience with their talents.

MCT's goal is to work with children by using participation in performing arts as a vehicle to develop life skills.

The organization strives to provide a healthy and wholesome ambassadorship for the arts, and open the doors to new life experi-



Local children put on 'Mermaid' Cast members, from left, Katy Smit, Krista Mayer and Hanna Mayer pose Saturday. Submitted photo

ences and aesthetic pleasures for children in kindergarten through 12th grade.

After the Marsing audience

witnessed the success of MCT's production, they submitted comments like "loved the costumes and makeup", "what a wonderful opportunity for the kids", "MCT did an amazing job with these children" and "wonderful, just wonderful!"

The local cast included the Royalty family of Katlyn Barkell (Celia); Lily Bowers (Delia); Hayleigh Green (Amelia); Katie Renz (Ophelia); Justin McKey (Gil, the merboy next door); Jesus Torres (Prince); Corbin Moyer (King); and Brittney Collett (Queen). Also included were 12 local Seascouts; 18 local Seasiders; six local Town Criers; 16 local Seahorses. Danielle Cates and Halli Watson were the assistant directors, and Marsing Elementary first-grade teacher Karen Keys was the accompanist.

The Little Mermaid was sponsored by the Marsing PTA, City of Marsing, and Marsing Academy, a 21st Century Community Learning Center After-School Program.

Museum party unveils exhibit

A new Native American museum exhibit will be unveiled Friday during the Owyhee County Historical Society's membership Christmas party in Murphy.

The party, which is open to members and non-members, will begin at 6 p.m. at McKeeth Hall inside the Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St. The party had been rescheduled from a previously announced date of Dec. 6.

Curator Thom Couch said that the museum will be open during the party to show off the new exhibit. Non-members are invited to join the society, too.

Holiday music will be performed by Blue Dove.

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Mom helps out at library Homedale resident Laryssa Takashige, left, reads The Nutcracker to a group of preschoolers Friday at the Homedale Public Library.

Nutcracker story takes center stage at library

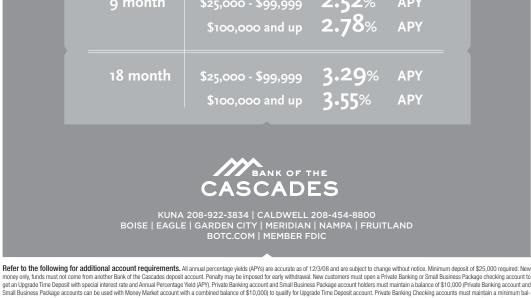
A mother helped out Friday during the Homedale Public Library's weekly Story Time for children.

Laryssa Takashige of Homedale, brought her daughters — Aly, 3, and Kary 2 — to the morning storytelling and also taught the other girls in attendance how to curtsey like the Sugar Plum fairies after sharing the story of The Nutcracker. Bayler Van Dyke, 2,

Library employee Ann Umphreys baked Nutcrackershaped cookies and the children were able to see what a real Nutcracker doll looked like.

Each child went home with a miniature Nutcracker doll.

The next Story Time is set for 10 a.m. Friday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave. Umphreys will lead the children in the "Jingle Bells" story.



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the only boy at the library, learned how to bow like the title character in the famous ballet.

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A look at Rimrock's basketball squads

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Kassebaum resigns HHS football post

Coach steps down after two seasons

Less than 14 months after visiting the state playoffs, the Homedale High School football program is without a coach.

Rob Kassebaum, the man who took the Trojans to their first appearance in the 3A state playoffs at the end of the 2007 season, resigned Thursday during a special meeting of the Homedale School District Board of Trustees.

A school district press release said

the search for a replacement will begin immediately.

"We're going to move forward, and we're going to be working very hard and vigorously to find a replacement for Mr. Kassebaum and are optimistic that we will find a good replacement and find a

person that will serve our athletes well," Homedale School District superintendent Tim Rosandick said.

Kassebaum's resignation came less than a month after district patron Dwayne

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Adrian wins own tourney

A fourth-quarter surge carried the Adrian High School boys' basketball team to the title in its own Tip-Off Tournament on Saturday.

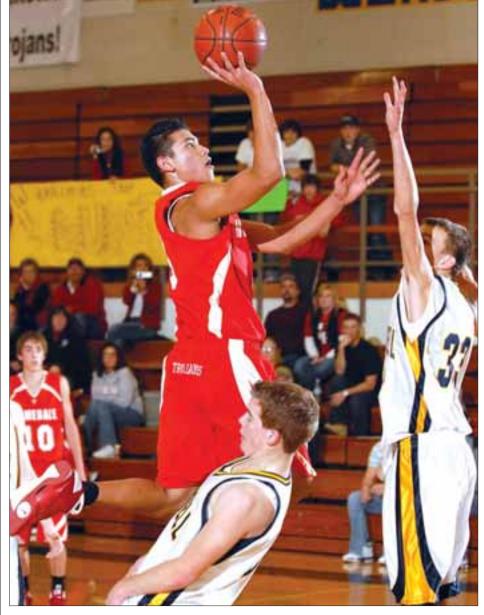
Four players scored in double figures for Adrian, including David Stones with a double-double of 11 points and 10 rebounds, as the Antelopes' out-kicked the Nyssa, Ore., junior varsity for a 51-47 championship-game victory.

Levi Jones led the Antelopes with 13 points, while teammate George Ellsworth kicked in 12 points and Blake Purnell added 11. Nyssa, which was paced by Cole Froerer's game-high 22 points, held a 36-35 lead heading into the fourth quarter.

On Friday, 10 of the Antelopes' 13 athletes got in the scoring column in a 57-13 tournamentopening victory over fellow High Desert League member Huntington.

Exchange student Rodrigo Magri nearly equaled the Locomotives' offense, scoring 12 points to lead Adrian. Raul Laborde led Huntington with four points. The Locomotives trailed 21-6 at halftime, but were buried during the Antelopes' 25-1 run to open the second half.

Adrian 67, GFA 47 Four players reached double



Emry, Trojans throttle Wendell Homedale High School's Austin Emry put on a show in Wendell, garnering his first dunk in a game and taking down a defender during this shot. Photo by Gregg Garrett

Boys' basketball Trojans use teamwork in 2-0 takeoff

A pair of double-digit victories tinged with balanced scoring has Homedale High School off to a 2-0 start in boys' basketball.

Four different players have reached double figures for the Trojans in their first two wins.

On Friday on the road, it was Austin Emry, Tyler Gibson and Ryan Garrett breaking through in a 72-55 victory over 3A newcomer Wendell.

Emry averaged 17.5 points in the Trojans' opening games. He counted a dunk among his 16 points against Wendell to go along with 14 points from Garrett and 10 from Gibson.

The Trojans took control after trailing eight minutes into the game. Homedale and closed the contest with a 25-point fourth quarter.

On Thursday, Emry led all scorers with 19 points and added seven rebounds as Homedale began the home portion of its schedule with a 47-36 victory over 2A Parma.

Emry had seven rebounds in the win over the Panthers, while fellow senior Grant Sweet scored 12 points

Homedale led 24-21 at halftime, but held the Panthers to 15 points in the final 16 minutes to break the game open.

Emry popped three of Homedale's five threepoint goals.

Parma was paced by 15 points from Nathan Nielsen.

Unbeaten Mustangs make most of weekend



Prep wrestling begins

figures in scoring as Adrian High School opened the boys' baksetball season with an easy non-league victory Dec. 2 over Greenleaf Friends Academy.

Levi Jones and Kyle Dondero scored 13 points apiece for Adrian. Blake Purnell sank five of six free throws, and he and George Ellsworth and Blake Purnell scored 12 points each. Adrian took control with a 21-11 run to open the second halft.

"The boys had a nice start to the season," Antelopes coach Brent Ishida said. "We played well on both ends of the ball."

Greenleaf was led by Caleb Robbins with 14, Michael Vance with 11 and Ben West with 10.

Jordan Valley High School's boys' basketball team finished the week in blowout fashion Saturday, pounding visiting Tri-Valley behind 21 points and 10 rebounds from senior Koehl Trautman.

The Mustangs (3-0 overall) blasted Tri-Valley, 92-49, in non-league action, putting 11 players in the scoring column with 39 field goals and nearly doubling the Titans' rebounding output. Trautman blocked seven shots.

Jordan Valley 66, Notus 41

Zac Fillmore scored 24 points Friday as the Mustangs crushed Notus in a non-league road game.

Alek Quintero was a perfect 5-for-5 from the foul line and nailed two of his team's three three-pointers to add 15 points for the Mustangs. Koehl Trautman chipped in 14.

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Zac Fillmore missed only three of his 14 shots to lead all scorers with 23 points on the Mustangs' floor. Koehl Trautman scored 13 points and blocked two shots and Dusty Easterday added 10 as the Mustangs opened the season with a non-league victory.

McDermitt lost by 23 points despite eight three-point goals.

Logan Hardin grabbed six rebounds for the Mustangs, but McDermitt won a fierce battle on the boards, 36-34. Brandan Mackenzie led Jordan Vallev with eight assists.

Fillmore gets flashy Jordan Valley High School senior Zac Fillmore hits a slam Saturday against Tri-Valley. Photo by Laurie Fillmore

High school wrestlers from Homedale and Marsing see their first action of the season this week.

The Trojans open at home tonight with a dual meet against Bishop Kelly from Boise. The first match starts at 6 p.m.

Toby Johnson returns as coach.

The Huskies, coached by Rick Folwell, travel to Nyssa, Ore., for the Calhoun Classic on Friday and Saturday.

Sports

Parma handles Homedale girls | Marsing youth football

Playing without a top scorer, Homedale High School registered its best defensive game of the season in a 41-29 non-conference girls' basketball loss Dec. 2 to Parma.

When senior Kendall Rupp left the game after only two minutes with back spasms, the defensive intensity soared with Homedale holding Parma to just 27 percent shooting and limiting the Panthers' foul-line opportunities.

"The girls played hard, and played well for the most part," Chamberlain said. "Parma was the better team on the floor last night, but I think we saw some glimpses of what we can do, especially defensively."

Homedale's Rachelle Christoffersen hit all seven of her free throws, but only one of her 13 field-goal attempts, and scored nine points. Hannah Johnson added seven points and three steals.

Parma was led by 16 rebounds from Kali Roche, who also scored 11 points for a double-double.



Johnson shows offensive spark Hannah Johnson drives to the hoop in Homedale's loss to Parma. The senior posted a team-high three steals, too.



Boys basketball Varsity Friday, Dec. 12 at Nampa Christian, 7:30 p.m. Girls basketball Saturday, Dec. 13 at Parma, 7:30 p.m. Varsity Thursday, Dec. 11 at Nampa Christian, 7:30 p.m. Junior varsity Friday, Dec. 12 at Nampa Christian, 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 at Melba, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 at Parma, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 16 at McCall-Donnelly, 7:30 p.m. Junior varsity Freshman Thursday, Dec. 11 at Nampa Christian, 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 at Nampa Christian, 4:45 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, home vs. La Grande, Ore., 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 at Parma, 4:45 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 at Melba, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 16 at McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m. Freshman Thursday, Dec. 11 at Nampa Christian, 4:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 10, home vs. Bishop Kelly, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 13 at Melba, 4:45 p.m.



teams pull off big wins

football program finished the 2008 season with a barbecue and an awards ceremony for all the players and cheerleaders. Seventy-three football players and cheerleaders turned out to participate in the football and cheerleading program this season. During the ceremony, all players and cheerleaders received a trophy for their efforts during the year.

"We had a great year. The teams played some great ball and showed a great amount of improvement," Aaron Bennion, Marsing Lions Optimist Football commissioner, said. "The community has really stepped up to support the Lions Football and Cheer program and the payoff will be in the leaders of tomorrow."

The Lions finished with a 5-2 record, the Raptors finished at 5-1-1, and the Mavricks flag team excelled in its non-competitive campaign (no scores are kept for the youngest division).

Each of the games was played at Marsing High School between Sept. 6 and Oct. 18. Biggest victo-

The Marsing Lions Optimist ries of the season for the Raptors included a 36-6 win over Kuna's Mobil Delta Force in Week 2 and a 26-0 win over E.C. Power of Kuna in Week 6. The Lions' biggest triumphs included a 30-0 win over Meridian Maroon on Sept. 20, and a 16-0 win over Drake Mechanical in the season finale on Oct. 18. The team won three consecutive games to close out the year.

> The Marsing Lions football program, which is associated with the Boise Optimist Football program that includes Boise, Meridian, Eagle, Star, Kuna, Nampa, Mountain Home, McCall, Emmett, Horseshoe Bend, Wood River and Glenns Ferry. The program includes flag football for boys and girls ages 7-8, fullcontact football for ages 9-12, and cheerleading for ages 4-12.

> The Lions coaches made a wager with their team that they would shave their heads if the team lost two or fewer games. Assistant coach Dennis Shipley took the opportunity to shave the heads of head coach Jim Briggs and assistant coach Rick Sullivan.







New HHS athletic association holds first meeting

The first meeting of the Homedale Trojan Athletic Association is scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday inside the Homedale High School library.

The meeting will serve as an organizational gathering for the new group, which will be headed up by Trojans athletic director David Hart as chairman, and will be facilitated through the high school.

According to bylaws circulated by Hart, the purpose of the HTAA is to raise donations for equipment and programs deemed beneficial to the betterment of Trojans athletic programs, to foster school spirit and support for the teams and coaches.

"I believe we have a chance to make a positive impact on our athletic programs," Hart wrote in an e-mail announcing the formation of the association. "It will be a chance to build some positive support for our coaches.

"We need to try to direct our support for Homedale athletics in a positive

direction."

Membership in the HTAA is open to high school coaches and staff members as well as the parents of HHS students. Adults outside of those three groups are welcome to join as associate members.

A board of directors consisting of members will be formed. Associate members cannot hold office, but can serve on special subcommittees. Dues, to be set by the board of directors, will be charged. Meetings will be held at different sites in

town, Hart said, to help promote businesses. The association will meet twice each in the fall, winter and spring.

Coaches will be able to give information on their teams and the progress of their respective sports years at the meetings. Hart also said he plans to bring in guest speakers.

For more information on the HTAA, call Hart at 337-4613.

— JPB

Not everything changes at Rimrock

Jones enters 28th season with several new faces

A year removed from a rare appearance in the state tournament, longtime Rimrock High School boys' basketball coach Gary Jones faces a new season with few familiar players.

But, with 32 years in the business — including 28 with the Raiders — chances are the coach has been to this rodeo before.

Gone is all-state player Logan Thomas and his double-double nightly average. Chris Hipwell also has graduated.

In fact, four of the five starters from last year's 16-9 team that helped Jones reach the 1A Real Dairy Shootout for the first time since 1997 are gone, and only four lettermen return.

But the one returning starter is 6-foot-2, 180-pound senior center Sam Richardson, who averaged 11 points and eight rebounds per game last season.

Also back are power forward Cody McCarthy, a 6-2 junior who grabbed three rebounds each night; small forward Antonio Garcia, a 5-11 senior who averaged three points and three boards; and Roger Pena, a 5-9 senior guard.

With only three seniors in the fold, there is a radical change in personnel. Key newcomers include four juniors (5-9 guard Ricardo Araujo; 5-11 small forward Brian Simper; 5-7 guard Stetson Dick; and 6-1 power forward Dary Langfitt) and 5-6 sophomore point guard Francisco Garcia.

But with the likes of speedy Araujo and Garcia in the backcourt, some things won't change.

Jones still preaches a pressure defense and he still insists on cranking up the transition offense. The team made 16 steals Wednesday against Horseshoe Bend to account for all but three of the Mustangs' turnovers.

The Raiders thus far have played the rebounding game essentially to a draw with its opponents. But with just two athletes six feet or

taller, the fact that Rimrock has been competitive on the glass legitimizes Jones' assertion that "rebounding comes from the heart, not the height."

Realignment puts wind in Raiders' sails 1A split eliminates big hurdle for **Rimrock** girls

When the 1A girls' basketball season dawned, Rimrock High School found that one less roadblock had been removed from the path it frequently travels to the upper elevations of Idaho hoops.

Greenleaf Friends Academy, which in recent years has emerged as a worthy rival for the top District Three seed to the state tournament, has been moved to Division II in the wake of the partition of the 1A classification for basketball and volleyball.

Now, once a thorn in the Raiders' side throughout the season, the Grizzlies will hit a different track when the district tournament rolls around, seemingly giving Rimrock smooth sailing into the 1A, Div. I state tournament.

But, while coach Mike Chandler says he expects more balance in the conference standings this season, he still has flashes of

confidence that emanate because of years of success.

Being ranked No. 3 among Idaho's 1A, Div. I schools doesn't hurt. either.

"We expect to go undefeated in league play, and advance in postseason play," third-year Rimrock coach Mike Chandler said.

Rimrock went 17-5 last season and missed the Real Dairy Shootout state tournament for the first time in years with a 1-2 performance at the district tourney.

The Raiders ran the table in 1A WIC play, closing a 12-0 campaign with a 32-26 win over regular-season runner-up GFA in the final home game for guards Shelby Chandler and Ellie Cantrell.

While Rimrock broke free from Greenleaf's competition with a season sweep a year ago, the Grizzlies edged the Raiders in the third-place game of the 2006-07 district tournament.

Greenleaf's transfer isn't the only reason for Mike Chandler's optimism, though.

Even with the departure of team

sparkplugs Shelby Chandler and Ellie Cantrell, the Raiders still appear to be loaded. And it shows as they have started 2-0 in conference play.

Back in the fold this season are junior post players Jackie Thurman (5 feet, 10 inches) and Anna Cantrell (5-11). Senior Kaile Murray, a 5-6 guard, will run the offense.

Murray and post Sierra Ridley are the only seniors on the squad this season, but with seven of eight players on the varsity being either juniors or upperclassmen, Rimrock has a slew of athletes who have "been there, done that."

"The overall strengths for our team are our advantage in height and experience," Mike Chandler said.

Thurman and Cantrell give Rimrock a strong inside presence, but junior guard Randie Denton lands on the varsity full-time to keep opposing defenses honest.

"Randie will bring speed and outside shooting to the team," Chandler said.

— JPB

Comeback keeps Rimrock perfect in WIC

Anna Cantrell scored 16 points and grabbed 14 rebounds Thursday as Rimrock High School rallied to beat Notus in girls' basketball action in Bruneau.

The Raiders (5-1 overall, 3-0 1A WIC) wiped out a seven-point deficit with a 19-3 fourth-quarter run for a 47-38 1A Western Idaho Conference victory over the Pirates. Cantrell scored six points, and Jackie Thurman hit her second three-point goal of the game during the pivotal final stretch. Bailey Buckingham drained a pair of three-pointers and led Notus with 14 points, but she was held scoreless in the fourth.

after three quarters before Cantrell and Thurman took over.

Rimrock 62, Idaho City 5

The defensive-minded Raiders pitched three shutout quarters Dec. 1 to rout Idaho City in a conference game played on the Wildcats' home floor.

Jackie Thurman had a quiet

The Pirates led 35-28 advantage Stetson Dick scored 16 points as Rimrock beat Bliss, 63-33, in the host's own tournament.

> Richardson had 17 points and 11 rebounds in Friday's 54-37 loss to Rockland.

The Raiders turned up the defense Wednesday with 16 steals to win their conference opener, 43-29, in Horseshoe Bend.

Cody McCarthy and Antonio

Marsing, Mustang girls fall

girls' basketball team suffered its first loss of the season, 43-36, to Nyssa, Ore., on Dec. 2 in a roughand-tumble game.

The Marsing High School heads at all, and fought to the end," she said.

> JV girls drop first two Anne Marie Eiguren had eight

"It was intense. My kids got beaten up pretty bad," Huskies coach Gloria King said. "We got absolutely no breaks from the refs, and they were just tough."

The focus of her team pleased King, despite the loss.

"My girls didn't drop their

points and 10 rebounds Saturday, but Jordan Valley lost for the second time in as many games under new coach Chris Elsner.

The Mustangs opened the season Dec. 2 with a home loss to McDermitt, Nev. No statistics from that game were provided.

night on the backboards with just one rebound, but she led the Raiders with 17 points and canned three treys.

Boys open year 2-2

Senior Sam Richardson dominated with 19 rebounds and Garcia scored 10 points apiece to lead Rimrock.

On Dec. 1, Owyhee (Nev.) grabbed 18 steals and forced 30 turnovers to spoil the Raiders' season opener with a 56-39 win. Junior Stetson Dick led the Raiders with eight points.

Football: Coach helped Trojans break through to 3A state playoffs

From Page 15

Fisher, speaking on behalf of a group of community members, asked trustees to look for another football coach.

Kassebaum won back-to-back Oregon state championships with Nyssa, Ore., before replacing Thomas Thomas as Trojans'

coach before the 2007 season. Thomas resigned after four seasons, including a trip to the 2A state semifinals in 2003.

Kassebaum led Homedale to a 3-6 record in his first season at the helm. The 2007 season ended with a 34-0 loss to Buhl in the first round of the 3A state playoffs.

It was the first time Homedale had reached the postseason since moving up to the 3A division.

"We want to thank him for the time and effort he's put in," Homedale High School principal Mike Williams said. "The gentleman has put in countless hours to develop the program."

Williams said efforts by Kassebaum, parents and community members resulted in a new blocking sled for the program as well as other new equipment, including video and statistical technology. Kassebaum finished his time at Homedale with a 4-13 record. The 2008 Trojans went 1-7, and every

team they lost to reached their respective state playoffs.

Homedale football has had just one winning season since 2004. Kassebaum still will teach at the high school and coach the Homedale Middle School track and field team in the spring. JPB

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common

sense King Kong the roping dummy

A while back I bought a basic roping dummy. It went up and down and moved his hind legs. But it was stationary. Too bad I didn't live closer to Rick. He was in California and had bought one that was selfpropelled. But, then again, maybe I just got lucky.

The mechanical roping steer, we'll name it King Kong, was a team roper's dream. It was expensive but when you've got the bug and a wife with a job, it's considered an investment and not an extravagance. Besides, they had offered him dealership possibilities!

Even though he hadn't gotten his arena finished, he invited his roping buddies over for a demonstration. They parked their rigs at the edge of the cleared field.

"This baby is self-propelled and runs straight down the arena," explained Rick. "Once the header ropes the horns a solenoid kicks in and shuts down Kong's forward progress allowing the heeler to make his throw."

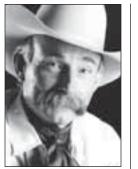
They began their trial runs at slow speed. Shur'nuf, when the header dallyed and turned off, Kong disengaged as if on command and the heeler swooped in and caught.

"How fast will it go?" asked Joe.

"They claim 28 miles an hour," said Rick.

"Kick'er in high gear, " said Joe, shaking out a loop.

Out of the imaginary box Kong roared like a speedboat! Joe punched ol' Roanie. He could almost hear the cheers of the crowd at Thomas and Mack Arena as he sailed a loop and ducked off to give his heeler a shot. But something went wrong ... a thumb in the dally? A broken rope? A figure eight? Nope, King Kong failed to slow down. He actually grabbed another gear and began rimming around the hapless header whose horse decided he'd had enough. In desperation Joe threw a trip on Kong to flip him. Unfortunately the rope tangled in one of the now supersonic wheels and the snarling machine climbed up his rope! Joe pitched his twine to grab the horn as Roanie quit the country in a dead run! Kong, still at full speed, crashed into a brand new quad cab super-dually, smashed the front door, ran a horn down the length of the pickup and impaled itself on the fiberglass fender over the rear wheel well. It sat there and spun like a high-speed drill until it finally caught fire and fizzled out with a pop. The cowboys eased around what now looked like an old BBQ grill somebody had run over with a bulldozer.



Wayne Cornell **Not important** ... but possibly of interest



Don't pick a fight with a crippled guy

The other night Sara and I were talking about how we could tell my ankle was really messed up on the day I broke it. I was lying on the sidewalk when the first fireman walked up. He apparently thought they were just answering a standard "old guy has fallen" call. When he looked down and saw my foot and lower leg out of kilter in three dimensions, he made a face and said "Ouch!" When you make the fireman wince and say "Ouch," you know you have an injury worthy of note.

The pain in my ankle was bad enough that even after the EMTs gave me a hit of morphine I wasn't feeling any too chipper. My big worry as we headed for the emergency room was that at some point someone was going to snap the foot and leg bones into the proper sockets. I did not want to be anywhere in the vicinity when they did that. I was greatly relieved when the doctor told me they would knock me out first.

A week after they put me back together, I decided to see how I could get around in public. Sara threw the wheelchair (only 35 bucks at a thrift store) in the car, and we went to Costco.

Costco has those electric shopping carts that handicapped people can use. So I parked my chair and got in a cart. It was nice because it was big enough that shoppers got out of my way. It also offered more protection for my ankle. On the other hand, it took forever to get up to speed and the cart coasted quite a distance after I shut off the throttle. So, I took it back and got my wheelchair.

The wheelchair was nice because it was a lot more maneuverable and it was easier to stop quickly. It's a good thing because once I got out of the electric cart and into the chair, what little public sympathy I had been getting, vanished.

If I was going down an aisle and spotted a man or

woman shopper with a cart approaching from the left, the fact that I was closer to the intersection (not to mention in a wheel chair) didn't mean a thing. In fact, on more than one occasion, people seemed to speed up to try to beat me. And a good share of them had "What's he doing in here, in a wheel chair, slowing down my shopping?" looks on their faces.

We were getting ready to leave. Sara had checked out but noticed one item on the receipt that appeared to cost too much. I volunteered to go back to where we got the item and check the price. I rolled over to a checkout stand in my chair and started through the space behind the checker. I was about two-thirds of the way through that narrow lane when I met a woman coming the opposition pushing a cart with a big LCD TV on it. I slammed on my brakes. She stopped and glared at me as if to say "Hurry up and get out of my way." I just shrugged and said, "Hey, I'm the person with the broken ankle. You move!" She eventually did. But she wasn't happy.

The lack of consideration for someone with a handicap didn't really surprise me. Back when I was driving, virtually every day, people ran red lights in front of me or followed other vehicles through stop signs without waiting their turn, or drove all the way to the front of merging traffic lanes and demanded to be let in, instead of getting in line earlier.

Maybe when I'm out in public in my wheelchair, I'll start carrying a good solid hickory or oak cane. If rude shoppers try to take advantage of my condition, I'll sensitize them by putting some knots on their heads with the cane. That'll teach 'em not to pick on a crippled guy.

-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.

Letters to the editor

Give Homedale High football coach time to change program

Reference the Nov. 19 article about Rob Kassebaum and the Homedale Trojan football program ("Board asked to look for new coach"):

During all my years at Homedale High, it was a dynasty. I was coached by the great Darryl Kellum. My senior year, Kellum left and Jim McMillan stepped in. We lost our first game of the season under McMillan, and the whole town came unglued. Everyone wanted him fired, burned, hung from a tree. After that first loss we went on undefeated and won the state championship. It took McMillan a few years to finally get his program off and running. to go out and perform their job on the field, then all the coaching in the world will not help. It all starts with the parents, then the players, then the head coach, then the head coach's choices for assistants.

I'm not going to arm chair attack Kassebaum because I've never seen him coach. I know how I coach, I know how I motivate players, but if I was in his position I would want more time to mold the program. It starts in the seventh and eighth grades and ends with a sixth-year player of the system.

Help him find the players' internal motivation, the

"I just about had him," said the heeler, "but my dang header turned off too soon!"

— 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". The point of this letter is not to relive old high school stories, but make the point that sometimes change takes time. To turn a program around, the rule of thumb is four years in the hot seat. After that, if a team is not producing, then there is a problem.

But as any sports people know it's way more than just the head coach. If the players do not have the inner pride discipline, the work ethic, and the wins will follow. Give him more time folks, and then make a decision. Dennis L. Shipley Boise

On Page 15 — Kassebaum tenders resignation letter to school board in Thursday special meeting.

Homedale Library seeks descendants of medals recipient

At Homedale Public Library, we had an inquiry from a woman in Boise, Michelle Walsh, who has some old military medals including a Purple Heart that belonged to a deceased man named Maurice Albers. She would like to give them to his descendants if any can be found.

She had found them in the trash many years ago when she was younger. Her family contacted the person who threw them away, who did not want them, so Michelle was allowed to keep them.

Recently she was talking to her father about the medals. Her father said Maurice Albers had a brother who lived in Homedale, Harold Peterson, who had died of a heart attack in the parking lot of Paul's Market. Harold had two sons, one of whom was a crop duster who died in a cropdusting accident.

If anyone has contact information for Peterson descendants or other relatives of Maurice Albers, please contact me at the library in the afternoon Monday through Wednesday, Thursday evening from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. or Friday afternoon. The phone number is 337-4228. I can also be reached at home, 337-5419.

Margaret Fujishin

Homedale Public Library director

Commentary

Financial management

Wisely planned profit sharing promotes workers' morale

Dear Dave,

My small business has been very successful this year. I'd like to start a profit-sharing program, but the company still has some debt. Should I wait until the debt is completely paid off to implement this idea?

— Mark

Dear Mark,

I'm glad you're thinking this way. Sharing with your team changes the very culture of the company. Your team will see the rewards of their efforts. In my mind, it's an absolute necessity when it comes to winning in business.

Debt elimination is also a very smart thing. When debt is out of the picture, your cash flow and profits increase and your risk is reduced. Plus, if you're thinking about a profit-sharing plan, it will give you more money to share with your team!



So, what you have here is two good ideas. Give both of them a shot! Find a balance between the profit sharing and debt payments, and see what happens. When your debt is paid off, you can increase the profit sharing because you'll have more money to go around! — Dave

Dear Dave,

My company makes me use my personal credit card for overseas travel. They take care of my expenses, but sometimes they don't send the money until after the payment is due. Does this affect my credit score?

– Marshall

Dear Marshall,

Unless you pay on time instead of waiting for their money, you bet it affects your credit score! It's your card! You signed for it, and it's in your name. Every late payment affects your credit bureau score.

I don't know who you work for, but this is a very dangerous and bad practice — both by you and your company. Your company is using your credit and abusing you in the process. One of these days they're not going to pay you, and then you'll have a mess on your hands!

Talk to them about furnishing you with a corporate card. Better yet, a corporate *debit* card! If your employer is going to send you overseas, or anywhere on the road, it shouldn't cost *you* money or cause you problems.

— Dave

Dear Dave,

As a Christian, I always give to my church. I was wondering if you think it's OK to also give to local causes, such as animal shelters, scholarship funds and other things.

— Annie

Dear Annie,

Certainly, it's OK. I think people should give to lots of different things if they've been blessed.

As a Christian, you probably know that you're called to tithe. That means one-tenth of your income — off the top and before anything else — should go to your church. Beyond that, anything you give is an offering, which is over and above the tithe.

When it comes to offerings, our family picks several ministries and non-profit organizations around the community and gives generously to them rather than sending small amounts to more places. Giving is a lot more than just moving money from your wallet to the collection plate or a charity. It's a matter of caring, and realizing there are others who are less fortunate than you. Give freely of your money AND your time and talents, Annie. The more people you help, the more joy you will experience!

— 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

Those who serve

The following list details the Marsing-area residents who are serving in the U.S. military. The names appear on a wall at the Snake River Mart on Main Street. The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes additions to this list from all areas of Owyhee County. E-mail the names, hometowns and other information of service personnel to jon@ owyheeavalanche.com:

John Suarez Stephen Weeks Adam Huskey Skipper Scott Randal J. Miller Louis Parker Andy Bowen David Branin Samuel Reeder Rochelle L. Brooks Patti Glorfield Justin R. Hance Lucas R. Moore **Ricky Branin** Michael Tuckness Kristopher Young Chaz Covey In memoriam Ross Clevenger

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington Remember deployed military personnel this holiday season

In recent years, many Americans have spent the holidays away from home, in defense of freedom. Much has changed for the better in Iraq over the past four years, even as our military and coalition forces as a whole ramp up efforts in Afghanistan. But, for more than 200,000 military men and women in and around Iraq and Afghanistan, and tens of thousands deployed elsewhere around the world, the 2008 holidays mean celebrating far from home. It is important to find ways to reach out to them and demonstrate our gratitude for their service to our nation.

Many Idahoans defend our security and freedom far from home. They will spend this holiday season separated from all that is comfortable and familiar. Just as they are patriots overseas, we can be patriots here at home. Idaho has a great tradition of supporting her soldiers in past wars, and this conflict is no different. Regular contact is the surest way to let these women and men know that they haven't been forgotten. For many of us, being away from home for the holidays is difficult; for those deployed with the military, it can be especially lonely. Many concerned individuals and organizations provide numerous ways to support deployed military members. The primary Department of Defense volunteer clearinghouse, now in its fourth year, is called "America Supports You," and is designed to recognize and facilitate citizen support for our service members and their families. Local, state and national groups can register to be listed at the "America Supports You" Web site: www.americasupportsyou.mil. One particularly user-friendly section of the Web site is the "Thank the Troops" link from the home page. When you post a message to the troops, that message is searchable by name, city, keyword or state. Usually, military members deployed in Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere have periodic access to the Internet, so take a few minutes and send



a note. Those few moments will lift spirits and give encouragement. This year, a new program announced at Thanksgiving called "Help Our Troops Call Home," allows civilians to buy prepaid calling cards at the military's rate of 19 cents a minute from Iraq and Afghanistan — the regular rates can be as high as 56 cents a minute. This is the result of a partnership between the Army & Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES), the Defense Department's store for military members, and AT&T. People can send the cards to a deployed loved one or just address the phone card to "Any Service Member." AAFES will coordinate with the USO, American Red Cross, Air Force Aid Society, Fisher House Foundation, Navy Marine Corps Relief Society and the Soldier & Family Assistance Center. AAFES also will allow civilians to purchase AAFES gift cards for deployed soldiers that they can use at any of the approximately 60

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 jbrowneditor@cableone.net

• 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.

stores on U.S. bases in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Families of military members need the outreach of caring communities as well. There are many worthy organizations connecting enthusiastic, caring citizens with our military men and women and their families. Because the public cannot send unsolicited mail, care packages or donations to anonymous service members, and large numbers of packages sent to an individual service member is discouraged, these organizations provide an effective way to show our patriotism, appreciation and care for those who won't be home with us for the holidays. And remember, mailing deadlines for overseas mail can be found at the U.S. Postal Service Web site. Whether you are in uniform or not, make this season a season of service. My family and I wish our military, their families and all Idahoans a blessed and safe holiday season!

— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's junior member in the U.S. Senate.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

December 14, 1983

Mayor-elect is ready to go to work for the city

Mayor-elect Paul Fink has told Homedale Chamber of Commerce members that the city does not need additional City Service Department employees, but "we need work out of the ones we've got."

Speaking to more than 30 chamber members during the organization's regular noon-Tuesday luncheon at The Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, the mayor-elect said he has already begun asking city crew members to start working on keeping Homedale's potholes repaired.

IN A wide-ranging discussion that touched on industrial development, water and sewer improvements, weed control and financial planning, Fink fielded questions from chamber members.

"We'll start getting a dollar's worth of work for dollar's worth of wages or we'll have completely new faces down there," the mayor-elect said to the applause of chamber members attending the session.

"I'd love to leave this town just a small bedroom community, but I don't think we can do that," Fink told the group, noting that he already has plans to "reach out" for federal funds for community betterment.

Deploring street conditions and "knee-high" weed control, the mayor-elect, who defeated Mayor George Murray in November, told the merchants: "Business has been beat enough in this community...it's time we got started on some things to change that."

Child protection

Elementary students in the Homedale School District can expect to experience lessons on child protection early next year.

And, the district's recently formed Child Protection Committee has pledged to work closely with school officials to help develop the curriculum that will implement those lessons in the kindergarten through third-grade classrooms.

Unanimous school board support for the CPC goal during a regular meeting Monday night at the Homedale Junior High School gave development of the curriculum a green light.

PUBLIC support from the board came after CPC chairwoman Nancy Hunt and a committee delegation appeared to request backing and direction on the child protection curriculum issue.

Sheriff urges jail project

Owyhee County Sheriff Tim Nettleton has urged the county commissioners to create a jail project team to study existing problems at the Murphy facility and to recommend solutions to a growing list of problems.

Nettleton's mid-November letter to the commissioners asks that the team represent a cross-section of law enforcement officials and communities throughout the

50 years ago

December 11, 1958

Coach of Boise JC speaks, shows film at banquet

Lyle Smith, football coach of Boise Junior college, spoke and showed a film of the BJC Tyler football game at the annual banquet of the Trojan football squad, businessmen and fathers Thursday night at El Gavilan.

Dr. George Wolff was toast-master. Coaches Deward Bell, Ted Shannon and Will Long were guests. Coach Bell introduced the team. He complimented the boys on their willingness to work and said the squad was fortunate to suffer no injuries this year.

Coach Smith was introduced by Dick Frazier, superintendent of schools. Glen Stewart introduced businessmen and fathers. Every businessman who bought a ticket attended.

The banquet was sponsored by the Homedale Kiwanis club, with businessmen buying tickets for themselves and the football players.

The Homedale team was runner-up in the SRV-B league conference this year, losing only to Adrian.

Santa Claus to arrive Dec. 20, sponsored by chamber

Santa Claus will arrive in Homedale Saturday noon, Dec. 20, with candy and treats for the children, it was decided at the regular chamber of commerce meeting Tuesday noon at El Gavilan.

The chamber will also sponsor the appearance of Santa Claus each afternoon during the three shopping days preceding Christmas.

Jaycees again plan Christmas lighting contest in city

Forest "Poke" Henson has been announced as contest chairman for the annual Christmas lighting contest which is being sponsored by the Homedale Jaycees again this year. He will be assisted by Merrill Tallman and John Fisher.

Displays will be in three divisions and will include window display in homes, small lawn display, and large lawn display.

A \$15 grand prize will be given with \$10 first prize and a \$5 second prize in all three divisions.

The grand prize winner, who will be chosen from the entire list of entries, will be entered in General Electric's nationwide Christmas lighting contest.

Flying club may buy airplane

The Homedale Flying club will meet Friday night at 7:30 at the Idaho Power company office, according to John Cook, secretary.

The club will discuss facilities at the new airport and purchase of an airplane by the flying club.

Homedale locals

Mrs. Goldie Cook accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ray Maley, Caldwell, to Boise Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Corell visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rowen, of Ontario, Ore., Sunday.

140 years ago

December 5, 1868

PERSONAL. Hons. F. E. Ensign and P. Campbell started for Boise City this morning, to assume their duties as Legislators, Hons. Catlin and Quinn have been at the Capital for some days.

O. H. Purdy, Esq, and Judge R. T. Miller have also gone to Boise. Mr. Purdy desires the position of Assistant Secretary of the Council; and as he will make a polite and efficient officer, and has already had experience in that capacity, there is no doubt but he will obtain it.

Mr. J. M. Short, an Owyhee pioneer, took his departure this morning, for the home of his boyhood, somewhere on the prairies of Illinois. Safe trip and speedy return, Joe.

"TIDAL WAVE." We acknowledge the receipt of a neat, well-mannered little prospectus of a new paper, to be published in this city by T.J. & J.S. Butler, sometime shortly, flaunting the above flaming and terrific cognomen. It is to be small and semi-weekly, devoted to the principles of the Republican party, Peculiarly, we wish our little contemporary may succeed, but we must be allowed to express the hope that the Tidal Wave may not prove as disastrous to Silver City as was its big relation, to some of the cities of South America.

IDA ELLMORE MILL. This excellent 20-stamp mill, formerly called the "Lincoln," but by virtue of a recent baptismal rite, now the "Ida Ellmore," has steamed up again, after having been thoroughly renovated and burnished in a most splendid style. The proprietors, J. M. Wilson & Co., have incurred a vast expense in repairing, but now have the proud satisfaction of owning one of the completest and best quartz mills of its capacity on the Pacific Coast; everything connected with it, not only looks splendidly, but is of the most complete and substantial character. There are now in the yard about 600 tons of Ida Ellmore ore of a grade which gave the mine its almost world-wide celebrity. A substantial commodious reservoir has been built for tailings, and everything is in tip-top running order, and as the Ida Ellmore contributes largely to the business and general prosperity of this camp and county, we only re-echo the sentiment of the community when we cordially wish it a God speed, and long, long may it wave.

NEW ROAD. A new road has been surveyed and is being made, commencing at Silver city and running over War Eagle Mountain down to Boulder creek whose waters it crosses near the head from thence it takes a southeasterly direction for a distance of twenty-five miles to where it intersects the contemplated Boise City route, near the head of Castle creek. We have not ascertained the exact line of travel from this point, except that it runs along the eastern base of the Red Mountains and intersects the railroad a short distance above Gravelly Ford, on the Humboldt river; the distance is about one-hundred and seventy miles. Col. Davis the surveyor, kindly promised to show us his map and field notes of the survey which will enable us to give more correct and definite information concerning the enterprise at some future time.

county.

The sheriff listed existing deficiencies at the jail and suggested that the proposed jail project team retain an architect, define problems and areas of need, including construction, and study financing options.

According to Nettleton, an 18 to 26 bunk jail would be needed to adequately serve Owyhee County. The present facility has eight bunks in four cells.

Senior matmen spark Trojans

Homedale high school senior Terry Uda sparked the Trojans wrestling season hopes with a championship in his 145-lb weight class during the eight-team invitational at New Plymouth Saturday.

"Uda took the wrestle-off with a pin in the finals and Todd Hill took a second," explained Coach Larry Gotto, who is back after a one-year break from varsity mat action.

HILL, ALSO a senior, lost in the finals, but grabbed a second place for the Trojans early-season wrestling efforts at the 132-lb division.

Karen Marble spent this week at Meridian at the home of her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. David Bayless, who were on a trip to Los Angeles, Calif. Karen took care of their two small daughters during this time.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Burchard, Mtn. Home, and their houseguest, her sister Mrs. Tillie Hansen, Redfield, S. D., were overnight guests at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Runger and family, Fred Lamberson, and Mr. and Mrs. Mark McGuire and family, Wilder, attended the wedding of Leon McGuire and Ila Belle Bissonett at Baker Ore., Sunday. Mark was best man and his son Eddy was an usher. Wendy Lou Runger was flower girl. Leon is the brother of Mrs. Runger and Mr. McGuire.

Mrs. Clara Taylor and Mrs. Elizabeth Batt attended the Dirt Gardeners annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Grace Baird of Caldwell Monday. THE FOLLOWING GEM, from the Avalanche of October 24th, has been going the rounds of the Eastern press:

"A posse of the most quiet and respectable young men in town got on a bender the other night. After getting pretty well "set up" they adjourned to an attic, where they divested themselves of most of their clothing and then the deviltry commenced. Scalp dances and war whoops were performed in the most approved Indian style. Some quiet citizens, who were passing by heard the revels of the Bacchanalians and went up stairs to learn the cause. They were instantly sieved, stripped and compelled to join the Bedlamites in their drunken revels. Before dispersing, all hands joined in a shirt-tail foot race through the principal streets in town."

Public notices

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS **MINUTES NOVEMBER 24, 2008 OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO**

Present were Commissionerís Hoagland, Tolmie, and Freund, Clerk Sherburn, Treasurer Richards, Sheriff Aman, Assessor Endicott. Prosecutor Faulks, Sheriff-elect Crandall, Commissioner ñelect Hyer, Jim Desmond, and Betty Stappler.

The Board authorized Planning and Zoning to send a letter to Mr. Shippy letting him know he is in violation of the Zoning Ordinance.

The Board approved the final plat for Bella Vista Subdivision.

Paragon Engineers submitted four options for consideration in applying for a Department of Parks and Recreation grant. No action was taken.

The following action was taken on pending Indigent and Charity cases:

08-47 denied, 08-42 approved with reimbursement, 08-46 a lien was filed and applicant was approved,

08-27 a hearing was held on a prior denial, and applicant was approved.

Approved a certificate of residency for tuition assistance to CSI.

Appointed Rick Sherrow to serve on the Board of Community Guardians.

The Board approved the contract with Shurtleff Construction for remodel of the Marsing Annex.

A public hearing was held on new legislation regarding ATVis on county roads.

The complete minutes can be viewed in the Clerkís office.

/s/Jerry Hoagland, Chairman Attest:/s/Charlotte Sherburn

12/10/08

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT DUE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ACCORDING TO SECTION 43-707, IDAHO CODE, assessments for the Grand View Irrigation District 2008, Irrigation season are due and payable and will become delinquent at three thirty p.m. on the twenty second day of December 2008. Payment must be made in lawful money of the United States, negotiable bank draft or cashiers check. Payment may be made in person at the Irrigation District Office or mailed to the District.

Dixie McDaniel, Secretary Grand View Irrigation District, PO Box 9 Grand View Idaho

been set for hearing at the Owyhee County Courthouse at 31 West Wyoming Avenue, Homedale, Idaho, 83628, on January 7, 2009, at 10:30 o'clock a.m.

DATED this 25th day of November, 2008. /s/Russell G. Metcalf, Attorney

for Petitioner 17 E. Wyoming Ave., PO Box 385, Homedale, ID 83628. 208-337-4945 Fax 208-337-4854

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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 Canyon County, as original 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 Trustee, pursuant to Appointment of Successor Trustee dated 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 1S accrued principal, interest, late charges, but excluding Beneficiary's collection costs, delinquent property taxes, costs and expenses actually incurred enforcing the obligations in 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

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: 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.

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 REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLÝ **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 late charges, advances, escrow collection fees, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this

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 **OWYHÉE** 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

O f Use: Place 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

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 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

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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION CASE NO. CV-06-05537 IN THE DISTRICT COURT **OF THE THRID JUDICIAL** DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF **OWYHEE**

In the Matter of the Estates of NERRON BEULER HIGHLAND and ROSEMARY HIGHLAND, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to the heirs and devisees and all other persons who are interested in or who claim an interest in the above estate that on November 25, 2008, Charles Highland filed with this Court a Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative. The petition has

September 5, 2008, and recorded October 6, 2008, as Instrument No. 266426 records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

THÉ ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (a), IDAHO CODE. NO RÉPRESENTATION 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: (i) the regular monthly 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;

late fees: (ii)

allowed liens to be filed (iii) against the property; and costs,

(iv) foreclosure

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 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: 28595 and 28601 N. Benham Ave., Bruneau, ID 83604, 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 12/3,10/08



Public notices

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. NÓ **RÉPRESENTATION IS MADE** THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RÉSPONSIBLÉ 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 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 $\frac{1}{2}$ " iron pin, said pin marking the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

South 0° 34' 46" West, 674.44 feet to a set 1/2" iron pin lying on the South boundary of the North One-Half of the Southeast Ouarter 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 Ouarter of Section 28 to a found 5/8" iron pin marking the Southwest corner of the said North One-Half of the Southeast Ouarter of the Northwest Ouarter 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.

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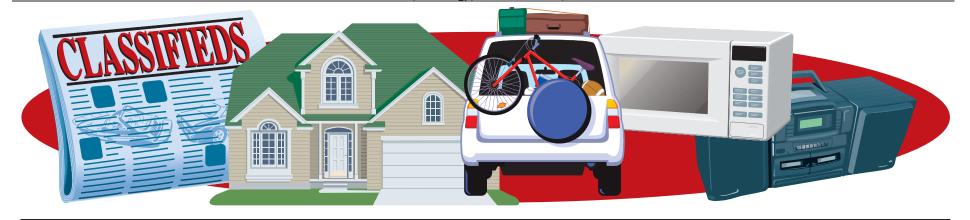
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