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Horses, rodeo have early fair spotlight

Horse lovers will enjoy the first three days of the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo next week. Although the fair officially begins Monday with two days of 4-H Horse Show events, rodeo fans will get a chance to see free entertainment with the Idaho Cowboys Association slack competition on Sunday. A jackpot team roping competition takes place after the slack, too. The action gets started at 10 a.m., and jackpot roping registration will be available at the rodeo arena prior to the competition. On Monday, the 4-H Horse Show gets started with a flag salute and related events inside the rodeo arena. The event runs from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. At 7 p.m. Monday, the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen contest will hold its — See *Fair*, page 3

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Idaho Ave.
LID plan
updated
Council holds
workshop to hear
lighting options

Downtown revitalization project manager Andrew Kimmel of Nampa-based Project Engineering Consultants Inc., told the Homedale City Council on Thursday that different lighting may have to be used in the sidewalks, curbs, gutters and street lighting upgrade package targeted for Idaho Avenue and other streets in the proposed Local Improvement District. New lighting was one of two options Kimmel laid out. But he stressed the original lighting choice wouldn't illuminate enough to stand on its own, and blending it with existing street lights would create a problem — See *LID*, page 5

Conditions right for fire



Volunteers knock down early-morning blaze
Loren Lawson of the Grand View Fire Department hoses down flaming bales during the July 21 fire at one of Simplot's Grand View area stacks. About 350 tons of hay was lost. See *Story*, Page 8. Photo courtesy of Ed Collett

Schools
seek levies
for COSSA
project
Regional tech
center could base
near Wilder

A short-term investment will reap years of economic benefits if voters approve supplemental levies to build a consolidated Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency regional technical center, according to officials from COSSA and the Homedale and Marsing school districts. All five districts involved with COSSA — Homedale, Marsing, Wilder, Parma and Notus — have set out to find ways to finance their share of a \$5 million center that would be built on property outside Wilder. Superintendents Tim Rosandick (Homedale) and Harold Shockley — See *COSSA*, page 5

Cattlemen look ahead at latest Silver City meeting

Outgoing president stresses need to
bring young faces into fold
Even as its membership honored someone for years of industry service Saturday, the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association was looking to the future. Outgoing president Bodie

Clapier stressed that the OCA must attract youth in order to remain viable in the future. "Where we've got to go is the young kids," Clapier said in his president's report at Saturday's 131st annual summer meeting in Silver City. "They need to get involved; we need to get involved with them." Clapier said the \$500 the OCA gave to the Owyhee County 4-H horse judging team for its trip to — See *Cattlemen*, page 5

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County clears up confusion over spending limit

Commissioners OK pay for new sheriff’s dispatcher, hear about records request

The county’s new spending cap was put into action last week, but confusion over just exactly what it covered continued to hang in the air.

The Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution 09-22 earlier this month, requiring department heads to seek pre-approval for all expenditures over \$250. The resolution applies to fiscal year 2009 only, although continued poor revenue could force re-authorization of the resolution for FY 2010.

Owyhee County Treasurer Brenda Richards, who reported July 21 about continued declines in the rate of return on investments and revenue-sharing from the state, hinted that without an extension of the resolution

another round of county layoffs could be on the horizon.

“It’s serious,” BOCC chair Jerry Hoagland said. “The revenues aren’t going to be there, and we haven’t seen the worst of it.”

During last week’s BOCC meeting in Murphy, Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery told the commissioners that the resolution was written to regulate discretionary spending, and that operational expenditures incurred in the normal process of doing business — or already provided for in the budget — didn’t require pre-approval.

The discussion arose after Hoagland mentioned some department heads had

asked for clarification in the days since the measure was approved on July 13.

Emery went before the commissioners to seek authorization of between \$500 and \$600 and no more than \$1,000 to retain an expert witness in a DUI case that is scheduled for trial in September.

Emery said the expert, Gary Dawson, would be retained to testify about blood alcohol content because the defendant had refused to submit to a test at the time of his arrest.

The commissioners approved the expenditure, if it is needed.

But the discussion prompted Treasurer Brenda Richards to ask about items that had been ordered before the resolution was passed but the bills for which had not yet been received. Hoagland said that the date on the invoice would determine whether the purchase would be subject to

the resolution.

Hoagland said he also received similar questions from the county’s road district managers.

New dispatcher hired

In addition to giving authorization to Emery’s witness retention, the commissioners OK’d pay for a new sheriff’s office dispatcher, Irma Winterhaller. Winterhaller began work on July 20 and will be paid \$13.34 per hour. Winterhaller replaces a dispatcher who was hired in the spring.

Sheriff Daryl Crandall also told the commissioners that the sheriff’s office has received a \$23,280 federal grant to purchase a radio repeater to help smooth communication with Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire and Central Owyhee Quick Response Unit.

— JPB

Commissioners commission impact fee study

Impact of growth on MRW, OCSO services to be analyzed

With planned subdivisions possibly triggering future population growth, Owyhee County will launch an impact-fee study.

The Board of County Commissioners on July 21 asked Galena Consulting of Boise to formulate a study on how impact fees could help Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District as well as the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office provide consistent

coverage as subdivisions go online.

In an unanimous vote, the commissioners allocated \$7,500 from the \$27,000 professional services fund in the county budget to pay for any such study.

“The data that this would give back to the county as far as response times (of emergency crews) would be valuable, if even we don’t go through with (instituting impact fees),”

county Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff said of the study.

Galena has done extensive research on impact fees, including taking part in a study presented to the Association of Idaho Cities during its 2006 annual conference.

Several subdivisions are planned in the MRW district, including the Rio Vista and Bella Vista residential developments along Idaho highway 78 near Walters Ferry, the Whitehorse subdivision outside Murphy and another 1,000-home subdivision

on the former Bear Mountain Angus Ranch property also on Idaho 78.

All development seemingly is at a standstill because of the economy, but county officials are certain the build-out will come. Sheriff Daryl Crandall speculated that there could be 1,200 to 1,500 new homes in the Givens-to-Walters Ferry area when the economy eventually rebounds.

“I think it will be four or five years before development, but if this does kickoff, (that area) is where it’ll be,” county Treasurer

Brenda Richards said.

District 3 Commissioner Dick Freund (R-Murphy) requested that the impact study include the sheriff’s office after Huff said that OCSO was interested in looking at impact fees to help offset higher operation costs associated with growth.

“I think the sheriff’s office needs the money. If we get 200 new homes, that’ll be 500 new people,” Freund said, adding that with more people comes more children, more traffic accidents and other service calls.

— JPB

Irrigation boards to meet

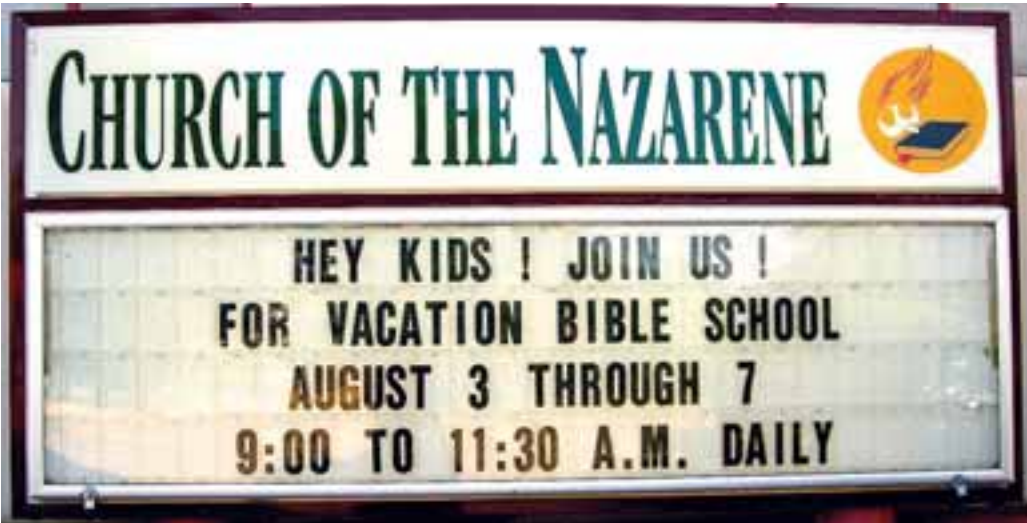
The boards of directors from local irrigation districts will hold their regular monthly meetings Tuesday, Aug. 4, at the South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st Street W., in Homedale.

The Ridgeview Irrigation District board will meet at 7 p.m. The Gem Irrigation District will hold its meeting at 7:15 p.m., and the South Board of Control directors will meet at 7:30 p.m.

Correction

In the special section for the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association 131st summer meeting and the preview article in The Owyhee Avalanche regular edition, it was incorrectly reported that Winston Gammett will be going off the board of the directors after the meeting. Gammett will continue to serve on the board, and Kit Bachman will replace past president Dana Rutan as a director.

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✓ COSSA: Homedale, Marsing schedule elections for late next month

(Marsing) as well as COSSA director Mark Cotner say that this is the best time to build because 60 percent of the \$5 million price tag could be picked up by a \$2.5 million federal grant and \$500,000 of in-kind donations from local businesses such as Caldwell's R&M Steel Co., which has agreed to build a 55,845-square-foot facility.

The City of Wilder has donated the land and the necessary city services upgrades, the men said.

Cotner said COSSA should learn the fate of its grant application by the first of September. He also said that of about 300 applications from other "shovel-ready" projects seeking stimulus funds through the Economic Development Administration, the COSSA bid is in the No. 1 position.

Homedale and Marsing have chosen to hold supplemental

levy elections in August (Aug. 25 for Marsing and Aug. 27 for Homedale). Both two-year levies would be dedicated to paying the districts' share of the \$2 million remaining cost. A district's share is based on what percentage it holds of the total market value for the five school districts.

Shockley and Rosandick said, if passed, the levies would only be certified by their respective school boards if the federal grant money materialized. And they would be certified only for the amount necessary to pay each district's share (if more grant money materializes, each district's out-of-pocket share would go down).

Without half of the bill being footed by a grant, it would be too burdensome to move forward with the project, they said.

Homedale will be responsible for 26 percent of the total cost,

or \$520,000, if the \$2.5 million federal grant is obtained. The levy would cost property owners \$99 per year for every \$100,000 in property value. Rosandick said that would be about 27 cents per day for two years.

Shockley said the levy would cost property owners in the Marsing district between \$77 and \$87 per \$100,000 of assessed value. He said the district still was working with the county assessor's office in Murphy to get a current market value, which would allow for a more specific levy amount.

Marsing's share of the project, when the \$3 million in grants and donations are factored in, is \$474,000.

There are other grant applications in the works, including a \$1 million request from the Simplot Foundation, that if awarded would drive down even further the dis-

tricts' out-of-pocket costs — and levy amount, officials said.

Cotner and the others said the two-year investment would build a regional technical center that would help the local economy for years by providing both high school students and adults with the education necessary to obtain quality jobs.

Cotner is confident the EDA will approve the grant because, he said, federal officials recognize how important the center will be to the economies of the affected areas. Rosandick concurred, saying that the center would be key to attracting companies to the area because training could take place nearby or the workforce already could be trained.

"The regional technical center will be a premier educational setting in the state, and that will help invigorate or re-invigorate all five

communities," Rosandick said.

The regional center will house COSSA educational programs that now are strewn throughout the five-district area, including engineering and welding in Homedale.

Centerpoint High School, the alternative school at the corner of Dixie River Road and Red Top Road, also will move into the new facility.

Cost savings would be seen in a more energy-efficient building and a central location that will cut down on transportation costs to multiple points, Cotner said.

"From Marsing's standpoint by centrally locating the services, we will save fairly substantial transportation costs," Shockley said. Cotner said that would be true for all the districts, including Homedale, because of the cost to bus to Centerpoint now.

— JPB

✓ LID: Engineer's estimate puts cost of project at more than \$775,000

with Idaho Power as well as a vision issue for drivers who have to deal with yellow and white shades of light.

The new lights would cost twice as much as original lighting but give off enough light to be used as main streetlights rather than decorative, Kimmel said. If the city chooses to stay with the original lighting, it would no longer be allowed to use Idaho Power Co.'s existing power poles to electrify holiday decorations. The more expensive street light-

ing includes power outlets, which would make the existing poles obsolete.

Kimmel suggested going with the stronger lights and contracting with Idaho Power to take out the existing poles and bury the utility lines.

His new cost estimate placed the removal of Idaho Power poles and the burying of the electricity lines at \$30,000. The new lights will cost \$114,000, or about \$1,500 apiece for 76 fixtures.

The council set a 6 p.m. Tues-

day special meeting at City Hall to hear details on lighting options from a representative from Salt Lake City-based Mountain State Lighting.

The probable costs for the entire project is set at \$779,636, and about \$400,000 of that will be covered by the Idaho Community Block Grant the city received earlier this year, Kimmel said. The rest will be assessed as part of the LID, the information of which is now in the hands of the City of Caldwell LID expert with

which Homedale has contracted. The LID expert will work out prospective costs for individual property owners.

Kimmel said the balance of the \$500,000 block grant will be used to pay for Sage Community Resources administrative fees, about \$50,000, and PEC engineering fees, which is a percentage of the overall project cost.

He also said that the final cost of the project could be lower based on how contractors bid the work.

In another change from preliminary plans, Kimmel said work wouldn't have to be done throughout the entire area designated for improvement.

This would be because no curbing or sidewalks would be needed on one side of North Fourth Street East that runs along the Amalgamated Sugar Beet Co.'s property; and there are already sidewalks on South Third Street West along the Family Dollar property.

— JPB

✓ Cattlemen: Board members shuffled

the nationals in Mississippi was a strong message of how important youth is to the industry. But he said more needs to be done, suggesting goat-tying, rodeo and other events and activities as ways to bring youth into the organization beyond the Future Members roll call.

Buddy Green, the Bureau of Land Management Owyhee Field Office manager, echoed Clapier's sentiment during his presentation inside the Silver City Schoolhouse. Green said that the younger generation needs to get involved not only with the cattle industry but with range management in general.

"There is a deficit of young people getting into range management," he said, adding that an infusion of youth is vital to keeping existing multiple-use advocacy and BLM programs viable.

Even if there isn't a broader youth movement in the OCA membership, the trend returned to the top of the hierarchy Saturday when 27-year-old Doug Rutan accepted the gavel from Clapier as new president.

"I hope I can do you a good job," Rutan said from the podium

when he accepted the gavel near the end of Saturday's daylong meeting. "It's kinda nerve-racking being up here because I respect you all a lot."

Two new officers were elected, with Kit Bachman replacing past president Dana Rutan and Kenny Kershner taking over the spot vacated by Brenda Richards.

"It's been a great experience I'll hold near and dear to me for a long time," Rutan said of his time on the board.

Richards was given a custom belt buckle as a token of appreciation. Rutan's parting gift of a custom-made bit is still being created, Clapier said.

Longtime agricultural journalist Pat McCoy, recently retired from the Capital Press, was given an honorary member award in a ceremony conducted by Richards, who pointed out that McCoy was the type of reporter who was gracious and courteous but never

afraid to ask the tough questions.

"Capital Press' loss was a tremendous loss for our industry," Richards said of McCoy's retirement.

Several topics that impact the cattle industry significantly, including proposed electrical transmission lines, the Owyhee County Sheriff's backcountry deputy, the horse slaughter ban and animal identification, triggered lengthy debate inside the historic schoolhouse.

Former OCA president and current Idaho Cattlemen's Association vice-president Charles Lyons won the silver membership bit in the drawing that kicked off the meeting.

— JPB



Kit Bachman



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Obituary

Stephen John “Steve” Carson

Stephen John “Steve” Carson, 64, Nampa died Thursday, July 23, 2009, at his home due to complications associated with ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis), “Lou Gehrig’s Disease”.

A viewing was held Monday, July 27 from 6-8 p.m. at Zeyer Funeral Chapel, 83 N. Midland, Nampa. Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 28 at 11 a.m. at the LDS Nampa North Stake Center on Birch. The family met with friends beginning at 9:30 a.m. prior to the service. Burial followed in the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

Steve was born November 5, 1944 to John “Ted” and Delna Carson. He was the big brother of five younger sisters. He was raised in Homedale, working on the farm with his dad.

In 1963, he graduated from Homedale High School and began attending Ricks College in Eastern Idaho with childhood friends and cousins. Within two years he was married to Charlene “Char” Meyer. They moved back to Homedale and Steve continued working on the family farm. In 1968, Char passed away from injuries sustained in a car accident.

In 1972 Steve met Linda Hogg. They were married August 24, 1972 in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. They resided in Homedale where they raised their five children. They spent many hours working together on the farm even being featured in the “Potato Growers of Idaho” magazine in 1987. Steve and Linda celebrated many of their 36 wedding anniversaries in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Steve loved the outdoors. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and A.T.V. riding in the Owyhee Mountains and oth-



er Idaho locations. He shared this passion with Linda, the kids and grandchildren. He enjoyed explosives and was known for being a bit of a practical joker. He had a very contagious smile and amazing laugh that anyone who associated with him in the past few years will never forget.

In 1995, Steve sold the farm and moved to Nampa. He then worked for ABI Alfalfa, American Construction and BioFlora. He enjoyed these jobs, being out talking to people, but was forced into early retirement because of his diagnosis with ALS in 2004. He hated being a burden on anyone and became a very “patient” patient. Over the last several years Linda provided the majority of his care. Much assistance was also given by his mom, his sister DyAnne, his daughter Emily, as well as other family members, lifelong friends and church friends, and outside agencies.

Steve was a lifelong member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served in the capacity of Bishop for many years, as well as other Bishopric positions, High Councilman, High Priest Group Leader, Scout Master and various other positions.

He was a very good listener and would always go out of his way to help anyone in need while he was physically able. He was never critical of anyone and had the sense of humor and spiritual insight to

endure whatever the challenges life brought his way. Even his doctors marveled at his positive attitude while dealing with such a debilitating disease. He said it was possible because of his faith, family and friends support.

He is survived by his wife Linda of Nampa; his mother Delna of Nampa; his daughters and son-in-law, Stephanie and Roger Bonte of Discovery Bay, California, Emily Carson of Nampa; three sons and daughters-in-law, David and Shelley Carson of Meridian, Greg and Kym Carson of Nampa and Bryan and Kim Carson of Boise; four sisters and their husbands DyAnne and Jerry Bermensolo, Brenda and Norman Hogg, Pam and Matt Bright, Susan and Blake Isaacson; a brother-in-law, Pat McCurdy; fifteen grandchildren, Zach, Brock, Cade and Mallia Bonte of California, Parker, Chayse, Jaden, Kyler and Brody Carson of Meridian, Madison, Payton, Hunter, Abbygale and Jackson Carson of Nampa and Campbell Carson of Boise; numerous nieces and nephews and a devoted dog named Ozzie.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ted, his first wife, Char and his sister Shauna McCurdy.

A special thanks to Dr. Friedman and Dr. Marshal at the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Center, the staff at Assisting Hands of Nampa, especially Carla, Val Stille and Maria Torres for your loving care of our dear husband, father, grandfather and friend.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to Muscular Dystrophy Association of Idaho 6485 W. Interchange Lane, #101 Boise 83709, 866-615-0569.

Birthday

Gertrude McMahan marks 100 years with celebration

Friends and family are invited to share in lifelong Owyhee County resident Gertrude McMahan’s birthday celebration on Saturday, Aug. 8, 2009, from 2-4 p.m. at Nampa First Christian Church, 619 12th Avenue South, Nampa, Idaho. No gifts please, but cards are always a joy.

Gertrude is a life-long resident of Owyhee County born to George and Minnie Brandau on Aug. 6, 1909 in Wilson.

She and Clifford McMahan raised their family on their 80-acre farm and ranch in Wilson. Her family includes three daughters, Inez King, Shirley Verbanac, and Clara Bish. She also has 11 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren.

Gertrude was a schoolteacher in Fruitvale, Wilson and Melba.



While she is retired now, she loved tutoring, substituting, and teaching Sunday school and leading 4-H.

Gertrude still enjoys reading, flowers, gardens, eating home-fried chicken and lemon pie and would welcome friends to come celebrate with her.

Senior center meals suspended during fair

There will be no congregate meals served at the Homedale Senior Citizens Center next week to make room for the annual Buckaroo Breakfast series during the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo.

Meals will resume Aug. 11, the same day that the monthly shopping trip is planned. Call the center at 337-3020 to reserve a spot on the bus, which leaves the center at 9 a.m.

On Aug. 8, the center will

hold its monthly Saturday night dance. The public can enjoy live music from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Admission is \$4, and participants are encouraged to bring finger food to share.

The monthly foot clinic will be held beginning at 8 a.m. on Aug. 11.

Appointments are required and can be scheduled by calling the center.

The senior center is located at 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Senior menus

Marsing Senior Center

July 29: Liver & onions or chefs choice, salad, muffin, carrot cake.

July 30: Breaded pork chops, cheesy potatoes, squash, carrot salad, fruit, cookie.

Aug.. 3: Breakfast to order. Special: Quiche, fruit cocktail, juice, 1 bran muffin w/raisins, milk.

Aug.. 4: Meatloaf, baked potato, mixed vegetables, cole slaw, orange juice, roll, apple, milk.

Aug.. 5: Chicken & noodles carrots, green salad, jello w/fruit, orange juice, cherry crisp, milk.

Homedale Senior Center

July 29: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli, roll, beverage.

July 30: Pork chops, baked potato, green beans, roll, beverage.

Aug.. 4-8: Buckaroo Breakfast.

Death notices

RAYMOND A. CONE, 86, a native of Adrian, Ore., who lived in Burley, died Monday, July 13, 2009, in Boise. Services were held Monday, July 20, 2009, in Burley,

and interment was at Riverside Thomas Cemetery in Blackfoot.

NORMA JEAN DEWEY, 84, of Homedale, died Thursday, July

23, 2009, at a local care center. Funeral services were held Monday at the Homedale Assembly of God Church. Arrangements were handled by Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale, (208) 337-3252.

MABEL JANE (JACKSON) HOAGLAND, 90, of Reynolds Creek, died Friday, July 23, 2009, at a Nampa care center. Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Nampa Funeral Home Yraguen Chapel. Burial will be at the Melba Cemetery.

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Ladies Auxiliary announces raffle to fund Girls State 2010

The ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary will hold a raffle to raise funds to send two Homedale girls to the Idaho Syringa Girls State 2010 event. Two \$100 gift cards provided by Paul’s Market will be raffled off. Tickets cost \$1 each or \$5 for six. Those desiring to purchase tickets can contact Carolyn Grooms at 249-6021, or tickets may be purchased at the American Legion Auxiliary booth at the

Owyhee County Fair during the first week of August. The drawing for the gift cards will be held on the final night of the Owyhee County Rodeo, Aug. 8.

Homedale Legion raises \$534 for hospitalized children

Earlier this month, Homedale’s American Legion Post No. 32 held a fundraiser at Whiskey Roe’s, with the proceeds to benefit

the Children’s Miracle Network. The event, which saw themed wine baskets up for a silent auction, netted \$534, post commander Robert Keavney said. The money went to the St. Luke’s Children’s Hospital Pediatrics Intensive Care Unit in Boise, with a stipulation that all funds be solely used for the children at the unit. The Legion wanted to extend a thank you to all those who contributed to the cause.



Bet You Didn’t Know Warning: Flowery gifts don’t always carry flattering sentiments

Sending flowers might not get you the kind of praise you’re looking for ... Basil means hatred. Yellow roses suggest infidelity and carnations mean you are disdainful of someone.

in his entire life. Whew. The Red Sea ... is it really red and why? Yep, afraid so, gets it name from the large amounts of red seaweed that is found floating on it all times of the year.

Next time you’re looking for an unusual museum to visit ... you could try the Byrd Antarctic Dog Museum. It’s located in Wonalacpet, N.H. Dedicated to the memory of dogs that helped explorers through Antarctica.

Benjamin Franklin started a fad in Europe after he published instructions on how ladies should wear lightning rods on their hats. Seems he wrote these in his “Poor Richards Improved” almanac in 1753. Oh, yes, and the women were advised to trail a grounding wire behind them as they walked.

The year 1841 was special in the history of our country for something very unusual ... what was it? Well, it’s the only year that we had three men sitting as President of the United States. Martin Van Buren was in office until he was voted out in March of that year. Henry Harrison became president, but died a short while after his inauguration due to pneumonia. John Tyler succeeded him after his death.

That old Persian rug your Aunt Nell gave you ... well, send it to me if you don’t want it. Seems some of them may have as many as 1 million knots for every three square feet. Can last up to 500 years or more.

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Homedale Public Library invites kids to “Butterfly Ball”

Story time at Homedale Public Library will feature “An Invitation To The Butterfly Ball”. The children’s reading time takes place at 10:15 a.m. Friday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave. Author Jane Yolen’s story fol-

lows animals of all sizes — a little mouse who can’t find a dress to 10 porcupines in velvet jackets — as they get ready for the Butterfly Ball. “With beautiful pictures and clever rhyming, children and adults

of all ages will be enchanted with this magical story,” organizers said in a release. Along with the story there will be singing, refreshments and crafts. For more information, phone 337-4228 afternoons between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.



Vallen Sipes

Adrian boy in state spelling contest

Vallen Sipes, a 16-year-old junior-to-be at Adrian High School, has qualified for the Oregon State Spelling Contest in Salem later this year. Sipes, whose father Tab lives in Homedale, qualified for the state contest by winning the Malheur County Spelling Contest in May and the East-

ern Oregon State Spelling Contest on June 18. Sipes lives in Adrian with his grandfather Brett Sipes and his great grandmother Anna Sipes. The state spelling contest takes place during the Labor Day weekend at the Oregon State Fair.

Calendar

Today

Tappin’ Toes and free lunch
11 a.m., ages 1-4 plus adult or caregiver, free; free lunch for ages 1-18 follows at 11:30 a.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Line dancing lessons
1 p.m. to 2 p.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Thursday

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

Dinner and a Book
6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., free meal for ages 1-18, \$3 for adults, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Summer youth reading program
6:30 p.m., “Be Creative @ Your Library”, ages 5-12, free, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

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

Narcotics Anonymous book study
8 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17454 Hwy 95 S., Homedale

Friday

Story Time at library
10:15 a.m., children’s story, activity and refreshments, Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228, afternoons 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday

Senior center dance
6 p.m. to 9 p.m., live music, \$4 and finger food, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Sunday

Owyhee County Rodeo
10 a.m., ICA slack and jackpot team roping, free, Owyhee County Fairgrounds

Marsing High all-year reunion
1 p.m., potluck, Marsing City Park. (208) 896-4220

Monday

Owyhee County Fair
8 a.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, Homedale. (208) 337-3888

Narcotics Anonymous open meeting
8 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17454 Hw 95 S., Homedale

Tuesday

Owyhee County Fair
8 a.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, Homedale. (208) 337-3888

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

Senior citizens card games
1 p.m., bridge and pinochle, free, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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Hay fire near Grand Views consumes 350 tons

Grand View Fire responded to a hay fire on the Simplot Co.'s Grand View Farms-Idaho site July 21. Units were paged out at 5 a.m., GV Fire Assistant Chief Ed Collett said.

The fire destroyed approximately 350 tons of hay in half-ton bales, he said. As with other hay fires this season, spontaneous internal combustion is being blamed as the culprit.

Losses were limited, Collett said, because Simplot, and others with large amounts of hay stacked at present, are "starting to spread things out and take a few more precautions" during a year where early moisture has encouraged the ignition of stacks. Simplot also had a hydrant on the site, which was a big help for control, Collett said. Mountain Home Air Force Base firefighters and equipment also assisted in the incident, he said.

The fire season has been a quiet one for Grand View thus far, with no dry lightning, Collett said, though he did warn that the season for strikes was just getting under way. At present, the cheatgrass remains somewhat green in most areas, he said, which helps mitigate fire danger, but once it dries, he confirmed that this year's fuel loads are higher than usual in some areas, after the heavy spring rains Owyhee County experienced.

Homedale Fire had a fairly quiet week, responding to a garage fire Thursday that threatened, but did not damage, an attached apartment. Crews doused the slow-moving blaze that had smoldered its way into the garage's rafters.

Marsing Fire had an extremely quiet week with no major calls, chief Brion Showalter said Monday.

The Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District had been quiet through Friday, MRW chief Wes Anderson reported late last week. No report was available Monday as to the weekend.

No report from Bruneau Fire was available this week.

Marsing Nazarene church to host Bible mystery for children

Children will be given the chance to unfold the "mystery in the museum" as part of a Vacation Bible School activity slated for Aug. 3-7 at the Marsing Church of the Nazarene. The VBS program, "Museum@12677: The Mystery of God's Great Plan", will allow children to explore a series of clues, with guidance from the museum's security guard.

Children will "examine five different aspects of God's plan for their lives as they participate in daily worship and music times, Discovery Labs, story times, recreation and craft times and memory sessions with a team of leaders," according to a release from the church.

The program will be held from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day, at the Marsing Church of the Nazarene at 12 Second Ave. W., in Marsing. Children from kindergarten through sixth grade are invited to attend.

For more information, contact Pastor Bill O'Connor at 896-4184.

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Summer students take flight for chance of lifetime

Teacher secures air time with JV pilot

by Michelle Telleria

Every kid at one point or another must’ve wished they could fly. They could always pretend in the depth of their imaginations that they were a bird, plane, or guess what? ... Superman. As if they could miraculously sprout wings and hover over their homes in sheer enjoyment as they glided through the sky. But even if their dreams of becoming a winged-being diminish as they realize that such things could never happen, there is no reason why kids should lose that desire to fly, for even if they are unable to fly, jets and other planes can make their dreams come true.

For many kids, getting the chance to even ride in a plane is something that would automatically make their heads spin in anticipation. It almost seems inconceivable to be achieved at such a brightening young age.

But, in Jordan Valley on July 13, a small group of 13 kids was provided that opportunity. And it was through an activity that one would least expect to be: summer school.

Summer school helps kids brush up on their knowledge skills. Throughout this

short session, the students were reading a book called *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen. The book is about a boy named Brian who must land a plane in the forest after the pilot dies of a heart attack. Because the topic of the book pertained to airplanes, teacher Tara Echave was able to secure the opportunity for summer schoolers to ride in a Cessna 180 owned and piloted by local resident Bob Skinner.

This was a chance of a lifetime for the kids, for nowadays, people would have to pay to get such an experience, not to mention the insurance risks involved. The students, accompanied by five adults, departed on a cloudy morning in anticipation of flying.

The experience for them was both educational and enjoyable. As Echave read passages from the book *Hatchet*, Skinner also allowed the kids to survey the plane as he went over various functions and features of the Cessna, including the three wings, rudder pedals, vertical stabilizers, and the speeds that must be reached for take-off. He also gave professional answers to any questions.

Finally, in groups of three, the students were able to get the moment they were waiting for — the ride. The skies above Skinner’s countryside home provided ex-



traordinary views. All the kids were excited yet nervous when their turns came. Jace Grenke assured all that he was “not scared, would not scream, and would have fun”. No looks of disappointment were etched upon their faces when their short ride had ended.

Some trips involved Skinner wowing his passengers with the pencil trick. Students like Taylor and Zoey Warn will probably never forget seeing a pencil float up into thin air. For students like Kiana Quintero, who had never flown before, this experience was “fun” and a taste of future flights to come.

All of students were elated and really would’ve liked it if they had gotten a second time to go into the sky.

In urban areas, this experience would not have come to pass. Through the coordination of a rural community, a willing and licensed local pilot, and a school system that truly seeks to educate their students on various levels, this once-in-a-lifetime experience was made possible.

FFA, 4-H archers tops in county contest at Rimrock High

Submitted by Kaitlin Ervin
Bruneau Canyon 4-H reporter

The second annual Owyhee County 4-H Archery clinic was held on July 20 at Rimrock High School. Six people participated.

Before we were allowed to shoot, we had to learn the history of the bow and arrow, the parts

of an arrow and bow and what materials are used to make bow and arrows. We then were taught the safety rules of the archery range. We then were allowed to practice shooting the bow and arrows.

After several drills, we had a competition to see who could

shoot the farthest. Courtney Bennett of Rimrock FFA and Zach Tindall of Bruneau Canyon 4-H tied for the intermediate division. Travis Erwin of Bruneau Canyon 4-H and Nick Bennett of

Snake River Livestock tied for the juniors.

We then had a close range tiebreaker. Courtney won for the intermediates and Travis won for the juniors. The participants

were Courtney Bennett, Rimrock FFA; Zach Tindall, Bruneau Canyon; Kaitlin Erwin, Bruneau Canyon; Nick Bennett, Snake River Livestock; and Travis Erwin, Bruneau Canyon.

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Cattlemen dig in on topics at OCA summer meet

OCA endorses continuation of backcountry deputy, denies Idaho Power access

The Owyhee Cattlemen's Association membership took stands on several issues during Saturday's 131st summer meeting in Silver City.

Several people made presentations inside the historic schoolhouse, and as it to be expected, the ranchers pulled no punches with some of them.



Backcountry deputy, pot grows

Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall was questioned about his office's lack of information to the ranchers during the recent discovery of a marijuana grow on Juniper Mountain. He also was asked about the future of

the county's backcountry deputy program.

Concerned that budget constraints could spell the end of the backcountry deputy, the OCA membership adopted a resolution supporting continued funding for the position, which currently is held by Gary Olsen.

When a rancher asked Crandall about the future of the backcountry position, he pointed at District 3 Commissioner Dick Freund, who pointed back at Crandall.

"We'll keep him out here as long as we have the resources to keep him," Crandall said.

Later in the meeting, Freund explained that while the Board of County Commissioners has the final say on the funds that are given to the sheriff, Crandall has the discretion to use the money to fund any position on his payroll.

"What you're saying is we need to put pressure on the sheriff to keep (the position)?" rancher Dennis Stanford asked. "We can do that."

Freund told the OCA that the board supports keeping the deputy.

"The board's well aware of the need for this officer," he said, noting that there are six deputies in

the Marsing-Homedale area, four in the Bruneau-Grand View area and one "out here" for the rest of the county.

"We've been behind this from its inception, and so has the sheriff's office."

Crandall said ranchers were vital to the information network that helps authorities find pot grows like the one that he said yielded 12,000 plants. But — in light of a recent shootout between authorities and pot growers in California — he stressed ranchers shouldn't take enforcement into their own hands.

"This year, they're staying and shooting it out," Crandall said of growers.

"What we need is your eyes and ears and your telephone finger, not your trigger finger."

Crandall asked ranchers to look for the signs of grows, such as unusual tracks or items that seem out of place such as irrigation piping and groceries left on the road.

Stanford asked why land users weren't informed that there was a grow that endangered their safety.

"Everybody else was being told to stay away, and yet everybody that knew about it was letting us go right to it," Stanford said. "Don't you think that law enforcement ought to be our eyes and ears also?"

Crandall answered "absolutely", then explained that the BLM asked the sheriff's office to move quickly on the case and that the suspects at the grows are "low-level" cogs in the operation that worry more about law enforcement than they do ranchers.

Other ranchers in the audience questioned why BLM and law enforcement would endanger ranchers when the agencies thought their own people might get harmed.



Horse slaughter ban

Idaho State Veterinarian Bill Barton gave an update on federal legislation aimed at ending horse slaughter in the U.S. and the impact it could have on ranchers.

Raised on a ranch in the Three Creek area and the son of 1988 OCA Life Member Owen Barton, Bill Barton said that two pieces of legislation on the congressional docket would ban the possession of horses for slaughter or the transportation of horses over international borders for the purpose of slaughter. There are still horse slaughter facilities in Mexico and Canada.

He said other legislation seeks to outlaw double-decker trucks for transport and change the Wild Horse and Burro Act.

Concerned that new laws would only magnify the existing problem of horses abandoned on their property or grazing allotments, the OCA ranchers passed a resolution opposing "any and all attempts to disrupt or ban the humane transportation and slaughter of horses, burros and mules."

Gateway West survey denied

Ranchers also took a stand on the utility transmission lines Idaho Power has proposed to string across Owyhee County. They

passed a resolution opposing the current proposed route of transmission lines and the West Wide Energy Corridor (WWEC).

OCA members also voted to deny a survey company access to their Murphy Stockyard property in the county seat after a representative asked permission to do a battery of studies for Idaho Power in preparation for Gateway West's 500-kilovolt transmission line.

Rancher Frank Bachman, who serves on one of the public advisory teams (PATs) formulating alternate routes for the Gateway West line, said that Bureau of Land Management officials have said wherever the Gateway West final route is plotted, the WWEC will be moved to accommodate it.

District 23B Rep. Stephen Hartgen (R-Twin Falls) said that representatives from Oneida, Twin Falls, Power and Cassia counties met last week and would try to put together a common entry and exit point for the line in their counties in an attempt to influence the Gateway West route as it travels across Idaho.

"We've made a lot of progress on this in the last 30 days," he said. "The sort of 'No and hell, no' stance of Owyhee and other counties has really got (Idaho Power's) attention."

— JPB



Association hosts packed meeting

Clockwise from top right:

Longtime agriculture journalist Pat McCoy admires her honorary membership award as OCA board member Brenda Richards looks on.

A crowd lines up for lunch with beef provided by the Idaho Beef Council and prepared by H&M Meats.

Charles Lyons, left, accepts the silver bit from outgoing president Bodie Clapier after winning the membership raffle.

Clapier hands over the gavel to new president Doug Rutan near the end of Saturday's meeting.

Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall addresses the ranchers on the top of marijuana grows in the backcountry.



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Those with questions may contact Darla (Cline) Hansen at (208) 365-2435 or Lynn Evans Vona at (425) 313-2752.

Marsing knife shoot Saturday

The Marsing Gun Club will host a trap shoot Saturday, and to beat the heat, it will run from 6 p.m. until shooters decide it's past their bedtimes; a shoot-under-the-lights summer special event.

The trap shoot — this one's theme being "the Knife Shoot" — will see cash prizes and a variety of knives as trophies to take home, including bowie knives, fixed-blade knives and pocketknives. There will also be meat prizes.

The kitchen will be open, and food will be available.

To get to the Marsing Gun Club, take Idaho highway 78 southbound from Marsing, drive 2.9 miles, look for the Marsing Gun Club sign and turn right. Follow the road to the top of the hill. The club is approximately a quarter-mile from the top of the hill. For more information, contact Craig Dines at 989-7367 or Tim Dines at 573-3321.

Wilson Butte 4-H news

Final preparations are being made for the Owyhee County Fair. Wilson Butte members have been attending workdays and are ready to show what they have learned during this 4-H year.

Record books are finished and decorations are being made for an Owyhee County get together.

Donations were made towards the Meals on Wheels and mini-vans for seniors in Homedale, Marsing and Melba along with food gathered for the El-Ada Community Action Partnership food bank.

Members thought it was a great way to give back to senior members who have possibly been associated with 4-H, either by being a 4-H leader or have grandchildren in the program. The donation will go towards transportation and meals.

We've visited seniors in assisted living, and it is pretty heartening to see them saying the 4-H pledge with us — Head, heart, hands and health. It's a great way to give back to the community. We hope you'll be able to join us at the fair and check out our projects.

Local Angus make national list

Two Owyhee County ranchers have bulls listed on the American Angus Association 2009 Fall *Sire Evaluation Report* publication.

- Bill White of Murphy owns two bulls on the list.
- Doug and Janice Burgess of Homedale have on bull in the publication.

Issued in both the spring and fall, the new report features the latest performance information available on 6,305 sires, and is currently accessible at www.angussiresearch.com.

"This report provides both An-

gus breeders and commercial cattle producers using Angus genetics with accurate, predictable selection tools for improving their herd," says Bill Bowman, American Angus Association chief operating officer (COO) and director of performance programs.

The American Angus Association with headquarters in Saint Joseph, Mo., provides programs and services for nearly 33,000 members nationwide and thousands of commercial producers who use Angus genetics. Go to www.angus.org for more information.

West Nile found in Homedale

Southwest District Health is circulating West Nile Virus tip sheets after mosquitoes inside the Homedale city limits and at CJ Strike Reservoir tested positive for the disease.

SWDH spokesperson Laurie Boston said the notices to be posted throughout Owyhee County will list precautions to be taken by residents and campers. The flyers also will be included in back-to-school packets to be mailed by the Bruneau-Grand View School District.

"No WNV-positive mosquitoes have been found in Marsing to date," Boston said. "However, mosquitoes can travel long distances, so people still need to take precautions as it only takes

one bite."

According to the flyer, precautions include:

- Avoiding mosquitoes, especially between dusk and dawn when the insects are most active
- Covering exposed skin while outdoors and applying DEET or another Environmental Protection Agency-approved insect repellant to exposed skin and clothing.
- Insect-proofing homes by repairing and replacing screens.
- Reducing standing water in bird baths, decorative ponds, old tires and any other place where water collects to eliminate mosquito breeding habitat.

Boston said anyone should contact their medical provider if



they are experiencing symptoms such as fever, headaches, body aches, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, swollen lymph glands or an unexplained skin rash.

For more information, visit www.swdh.org or call (208) 455-5400.



HHS Class of 1967 reunites

Homedale High School's Class of 1967 held a 42-year reunion picnic in City Park Saturday on Saturday. Twenty-five former classmates attended, and the crowd numbered 40 including past alumni and spouses. Classmates came from Utah, California, Wyoming, Oregon and Washington. The group extended thanks to City of Homedale public works supervisor Larry Bauer and the city maintenance crew for sprucing up the area for the event.

Attending the reunion were:

Front row, from left: Dani Lee (Downing) Aman, Diane (Fry) Landers, Kelly Curtis, Janet (Parker) Martin, Yolanda (Macias) DeLeon, Tresa (Middleton) Hiatt, Michele (Knight) Upchurch, Ida Friedrichs-meier, Eddie Roland, Larry Huter and Fred Luckson

Middle row, from left: Carl Hays, Steve Linder, Cliff Eidemiller and Lela (Johnson) Aspiazu

Top row, from left: Pam (VanDerhoff) Wittrock, Sheila (Wood) Eismann, Wendy (Hyer) Chertudi, Charlotte (Lee) Breshears, Ava Yorgensen, May (Pierce) Breach, Jim Jackson and Nancy (VanDerhoff) Kimball, Lena (Johnson) Tucker **Not pictured:** Dennis Lentfer. Submitted photo

Class of '39 was first at MHS

A lot happened in 1939.

As World War II broke out, the United States declared neutrality but began arming itself, with militarization helping to end the Great Depression. New York hosted the Worlds Fair. After speaking to physicist Albert Einstein, FDR initiated the program to research the atomic bomb. A loaf of bread cost eight cents; a car \$700.

It was also the year Marsing High School seniors first graduated from a building of their own.

In the spring of 1938, freshmen, sophomores and juniors were moved from their one-room

home in the Edison Grade School to the newly constructed Marsing High School building. The move was aided in part by a hay-wagon hooked to a tractor, used to transport fittings and school supplies. The initial student body consisted of 66 students and four teachers.

In 1938, there were no seniors, so the first year of the building passed without a graduation. In 1939, ten students graduated. They were the first Marsing High students to get their diploma at a high school of the same name.

This year marks the 70th anniversary of those first graduates,

three of whom survive today: Alpha Muldoon Percifield of Marsing, Dorothy Volkmer Richards of Boise and Spokane's Kimi Matsushita Fukukai.

As a reminder to all grads, not just the first, the annual Marsing High School "all class" picnic will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday at the Marsing City Park. It will be a potluck event, and participants are asked to bring drinks, table service and lawn chairs for their own use. All graduating classes from MHS are invited.

Contact Jack Muldoon at 896-4220 for more information.

The first Marsing High School grads

Left, clockwise from top left: Doris Salibury, Frank Tanikuni, Evalynne Alsop, Kimi Maysushiya, Gail Sersain, Dorothy Volkmer, Alpha Muldoon, Howard Shields, Rhoda Thomas, Charles Andrus. **Center:** Marsing superintendent, Victor V. McLaughlin.



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HMS finds ways to boost athletics revenue

Admission to be charged at most events;
carnival fundraiser slated

Homedale Middle School will charge admission to most of its 2009-10 sporting events, the school's activities director announced last week.

Nick Schamber said gate fees will be used to offset officiating costs at most contests. The admission charge was adopted by the Snake River Valley conference in April in light of budget cuts and increasing costs.

Regular-season admission will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for school-aged children for football, volleyball, wrestling and boys' and girls' basketball events. Each ticket price will increase by \$1 for tournament games.

Schamber said that HMS students carrying student activity cards will receive free admission to games played in Homedale.

The prices will be charged at all SRV venues, including Homedale, Fruitland, Ontario, Ore., Weiser, Payette Lakes Middle School in McCall and McCain Middle School in Payette.

There will be no admission charge for track and field or tennis.

Schamber said that HMS paid more than \$4,000 in officiating fees last year.

"I do not think that the admission charge will completely cover the costs, but it will definitely help cover

some of it," Schamber said.

He added that HMS is looking into offering a season pass that parents can buy at the beginning of the year, allowing parents and children who normally attend games in for the year with a discount savings. Schamber said the passes will be available before fall sports competition begins.

Carnival planned

Parent and athlete volunteers are welcome to help present a back-to-school carnival planned for the HMS outdoor basketball courts from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Aug. 21.

Proceeds from the carnival will help purchase middle school athletic equipment.

For more information, contact Schamber at schamber@homedaleschools.org or 407-4297.

Physicals, meeting upcoming

All Homedale Middle School seventh- and eighth-graders who didn't participate in sports last year must undergo a physical and have a consent form on file with the school, activities director Nick Schamber said last week.

Returning athletes don't need another physical, but they must have another consent form filled out, he said.

The forms must be completed before the first day of practice, which is Aug. 24 for volleyball and football.

Schamber said the consent forms will be sent to students as part of the back-to-school letter detailing class registration procedures.

Preseason meeting set

A parent/coach/athlete meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Aug. 20 inside the HMS cafeteria.

Fall coaches will introduce themselves and outline the school's athletics policies.

Percifield sees new A Division champs crowned



Ladies and gents both donned shades and braved the heat at the 27th annual Percifield Memorial Softball Tournament Friday and Saturday. This year's roster of 32 teams was the biggest ever.

The 32-team field that duked it out in three divisions for the championships at the 27th annual Percifield Memorial Softball Tournament in Marsing braved high heat through the weekend battle. In the end, Idaho Auto Center—last year's lower-division champion — emerged with its first A Division championship in a finals win over Get Bent.

It was a year for first-time champs, as the members of the Dan's Auto Body team took their first B Division championship home after edging the Idaho Pizza Co. in the final. Dan's Auto Body won the lower division last year.

C Division saw a seasoned Woody's Flamingos take their fourth plaque home, after beating CKT Trucking.

The Kim Panzeri Award for best overall player of 2009 went to Gwen Miller, while the sportsmanship award went to the Snake River Co. The community

supporter award recognizing those who help make the tournament happen went to Becky Salove and Barb Dines.

This year's field saw 32 teams compete, a new high-water mark for the tournament. The event raises money for the Marsing city recreation program, as well as helping fund several improvements or activities for Marsing High School sports programs each year. While a final count wasn't available as of Monday, organizer Amy Chadez said it looked like a good year.

"It's always a fun tourney," Chadez said. "We have great support from Homedale as well. A lot the teams from their new tournament were involved."

The Percifield, she said, has a long history, and has become the place that people can visit with friends they may see just this one time each year. That community-

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HHS grad reflects on his stellar rookie year campaign

Season still going
after Billings wins
playoff opener

by Ryan Minch

Billings (Mont.) Gazette

New to the city of Billings and a rookie on one of the Indoor Football League's most dominant teams, it would have been easy for Michael Eby to sit back and learn from Outlaw veterans as well as head coach Heron O'Neal.

Instead, the 6-foot, 210-pound defensive back has done quite the

opposite and is doing everything he can to help bring another championship to Billings.

The road to the title started Saturday for the Outlaws with a 50-7 victory over Fairbanks in the Pacific Division championship game played in Billings. Eby had four tackles in the contest. Billings plays host to the El Paso Generals this Saturday in the Intense Conference championship game.

In 14 regular-season games this season, the former Homedale High School standout had nearly a third of the Outlaw's intercep-

tions (10) and earned the IFL's Defensive Rookie of the Year honor, beating out Wichita Wild linebacker Lamont Reid.

"I am very honored and thankful to win the award," Eby said after Thursday's practice at the Rimrock Auto Arena at MetraPark. "But at the same time it is a team award. The only reason I won it is because of the guys I play with every day. Practicing against the best offense in the league everyday will only help you get better."

While working for a landscap-

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Owyhee prep cowboys finish in top 25 at NHSFR

Jordan Valley's Dusty Easterday and Homedale's Rye Hyer each had top 25 finishes at the National High School Finals Rodeo last week.

Neither qualified for Saturday's championship short go in Farmington, N.M.

Easterday had one of the best saddle bronc rides of the first go and finished tied for 19th.

Hyer turned in the second-fastest time in Friday night's steer wrestling performance and finished 22nd overall with a combined time of 13.175.

Easterday had the best ride in

the evening performance on July 21, and his 74-point effort was second in the standings behind a 75-point ride from Dawson Jandreau of Kennebec, S.D., after the first go. Easterday didn't have a second ride.

Hyer was ranked 50th after the first go in steer wrestling. He struggled to a 8.396-second performance during the July 20 morning performance, but rallied for a 4.779 showing Friday night, which was the second-fastest time of the performance and the 16th-best time overall (out of 87 competitors) in the second go.

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centered feel, the sportsmanship shown and the sheer fun of the event impressed her.
“It doesn’t matter if you win or lose,” she said. “People will tell you how much fun they’re having, and if you ask if they won they’ll say ‘Nope’ — you don’t see that at lots of tournaments,” she said.
This was the second year Amy and husband JW were involved in the organization of the event. She’s learned one lesson — ask for more help, sooner.

“We have to get some more volunteers out,” Chadez said. She spoke with Larry Corta, who helped co-organize Homedale’s Landa/Miller tournament earlier this month, and she said she was amazed at how many people turned up to help for the initial launch of the event. The Percifield is approaching the end of its third decade, which might mean that there’s a bit of an assumption that it’ll just be there. With a long-running event, the leadership passes to new faces, and the support system has to be updated, she explained.

“We’re a younger group,” she said. “We need to do a better job of asking for help, and letting people know we need more help.”
Home Run Derby winners this year were Idaho Auto Center’s Elvin “Big Papi” and Stephanie Patterson of Caba’s.
Lucky raffle winners took home a selection of goodies donated by tournament sponsors (see below).



Fun in the sun

Above: Tim Dines pitches on Saturday at noon for Famn Damily. Below: Trey Corta in what turned out to be a failed bid to tag a runner out at second.



Percifield results

A Division

Champions: Idaho Auto Center (1st A Division championship)
2nd Place: Get Bent
3rd Place: Game Time Sports
4th Place: Cowell Properties
MVPs: Gabe Hernandez (Idaho Auto Center)
Angie Gribble (Get Bent)

B Division

Champions: Dan’s Auto Body (1st B Division championship)
2nd Place: Idaho Pizza Company
3rd Place: Caba’s II
4th Place: I’d Hit That
MVPs: Tammy Jarboe (Idaho Pizza Company)
Travis Brown (Dan’s Auto)

C Division

Champions: Woody’s Flamingoes (4th Championship)
2nd Place: CKT Trucking
3rd Place: Bell Key
4th Place: FamnDamily
MVPs: Norm Piekma (Woody’s) (2nd MVP)
Shannon Blackstock (CKT) (2nd MVP)

Individual Awards

Panzeri Award: Gwen Miller
Sportsmanship Award: Snake River Co.
Community Supporter Award: Becky Salove and Barb Dines
Home Run Derby, men: Elvin “Big Papi”, Idaho Auto Center
Home Run Derby, women: Stephanie Patterson, Caba’s

Tournament Sponsor Winners

32” HDTV DVD combo:
Dan and Jeanne Percifield
Portable DVD player:
Ben and Lori Badiola
Autographed BSU Football: Katie Nelson/
Diana Menchaca
Roaring Springs passes: K&C Farms
Sandbar Riverhouse Restaurant gift
certificate and movie passes:
Jason Miller and Tori Kent
Sandbar Riverhouse Restaurant gift
certificate and movie passes:
Kelly Landscaping

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✓ Rookie: Eby the DB a fan favorite

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ing company in Boise, Eby got hooked up with an agent who began sending his film to potential teams.
“I continued to work out at some small combines and stuff like that,” Eby said of his year away from football. “My agent sent my tape out to a couple of teams, and Coach O’Neal called me right away.”
However, there was a catch. Eby would be asked to play defensive back for the first time in his career. At Homedale, he played quarterback and cornerback and then moved to linebacker while at Eastern Oregon University in LaGrande.
“He was a linebacker in college, and when I told him I wanted him to try out as a free safety, there was about a 10-second hesitation on the phone,” O’Neal recalled. “He asked if I’d seen his film ... I told him I’d seen it and I was convinced he could play free safety in the indoor game.”
As O’Neal expected, Eby proved that in the Outlaws’ sea-

son-opening 82-12 win over the Sioux City Bandits. He intercepted two passes and recorded seven solo tackles, while winning the league’s defensive player of the week honor.
“Running, tackling and hitting are just natural. I was most concerned about my man-to-man cover skills, which I still need to improve on,” Eby said. “But between Coach and my teammates, they have really helped make the switch a lot easier for me.”
Eby quickly became a fan favorite in Billings, and has been passionately nicknamed “Eby the DB”.
“It’s pretty cool to hear the fans chanting that. Opposing fans have even picked up on it and try to heckle me with it, but I love it. The city has been very welcoming, and the fans are wonderful,” Eby said with a smile.
Eby’s signature moment of his rookie season came on April 25 in Billings’ 42-41, come-from-behind win against its fiercest rival, Sioux Falls. The Outlaws trailed the Storm 34-22 with less

than five minutes remaining in the game, and it was Eby’s interception that set up the game-tying score.
“That moment is the single-most memorable moment that stands out for me this season,” he said. “The crowd was just nuts. They were standing for the last five minutes, and it was the loudest I have ever heard it.”
Heading into the Outlaws’ IFL playoffs opener, Eby acknowledged that several bye weeks has juiced up the nerves. The Outlaws, who entered Saturday’s game with a 12-2 record, have had five separate bye weeks this season, with two of them coming on back-to-back weeks heading into the 45-42 regular-season finale loss on the road to the Omaha Beef on July 11.
“It has been five weeks since we have won a game, so we have been on edge a little. It’s just a matter of getting back into that routine,” Eby said before Saturday’s playoff game. “It’s just up to us now, and as long as we show up to play we will be fine.”

Queen contest attracts most entries since 1995

Three Owyhee County residents are among the eight young women who have entered the 2009 Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen contest. The eight contestants comprise the most candidates since 11 were in the running 14 years ago, according to queen contest coordinator Debbie Shearn.

They will vie to succeed 2008-09 queen Leslie Winkelman, who will serve as queen of the Caldwell Night Rodeo later this month. The 2009-10 Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen competition began Monday, Aug. 3 with a style show and interviews at the Tumbleweed Theatre at the fairgrounds in Homedale.

The next queen will be crowned during the Friday, Aug. 7 rodeo performance, and the new queen will ride in the Saturday, Aug. 8 fair and rodeo parade through downtown Homedale.

Jessica Will
Age: 19
Hometown: Marsing
Parent: Amber Will
Horse: Marty

Will, who was homeschooled throughout her high school years, plans to attend Treasure Valley Community College in the fall.

She is involved in FFA and also is a member of the Gem State Stock Horse Association.

She also takes part in 4-H leader training and showing reined cow horses.

Stacy Herriman
Age: 21
Hometown: Ontario, Ore.
Parents: Russell and Robin



Will

Herriman
Horse: Tank
Age: 10-year-old quarter horse gelding

A graduate of Vale High School (2006), Herriman earned a degree in Ranch Management from TVCC and is pursuing an associate's degree in Animal Science.

She's avid about the outdoors, adding hunting and fishing to a busy schedule that also includes rodeos and riding horses.

She played basketball at Vale High and was active in the Vale FFA chapter and the Automotive Club. She also served on the school's Ag Ambassadors Club and the rodeo team.

Herriman was a member of the Malheur County 4-H for nine years and also participated in the student Idaho Cattle Association and the American Quarter Horse Association.

Michelle Lynn Siegmman
Age: 19
Hometown: Caldwell
Parents: Katherine and Steve Siegmman
Horse: Jazzin It Up (Jazzie)

A former member of the Val-



Herriman



Siegmman

livue FFA, she now serves as FFA alumni there and also participates in the Idaho Junior Hereford Association.

Her hobbies include showing cattle, rodeos, rodeo queen contests and reading.

Jacquelle Boone
Age: 18
Hometown: New Plymouth
Parents: Jerry and Kathy Boone
Horse: Sundee

A student at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Boone has been a member of the JC-Riders 4-H Club.

Her school activities have included gymnastics, volleyball, basketball and serving in the student association.

Her interests include volleyball, paintball and horseback riding.

Mollie Weitz
Age: 16
Hometown: Caldwell
Parents: Dave and Katie Weitz
Horse: Jessie

Weitz attends Caldwell High school where she is active in dance line, track and field and color guard.

She has participated in 4-H for four years and has spent one year with the Idaho Girls Rodeo Association.

Her hobbies include snow skiing, wakeboarding, scuba diving and playing the cello and piano.



Boone



Weitz

Natalie Emma Evans
Age: 17
Hometown: Marsing
Parents: Marc and Elizabeth Evans
Horse: Scotty (Hansum B Jack)

A state champion in track and field and runner-up in cross country from Marsing High School, Evans also lists softball and basketball as school activities.

She likes to sing and perform and also enjoys riding horses, fishing, shooting, drawing and swimming with her dog.

Evans also spends time volunteering at nursing homes and performing community service projects.

Malia Rich
Age: 17
Hometown: Homedale
Parents: David and Konia Rich
Horse: Ima

Rich has been active in speech and "any school events" at Pine Eagle High School in Halfway, Ore. She



Evans



Rich

also takes part in FFA.

Her hobbies include teaching her mustang new tricks, participating in rodeo and packing the backcountry.

Bailey K. Fraker
Age: 16
Hometown: Middleton
Parents: Asia and Jennifer Fraker
Horse: Neat-N-Fancy (Amy)

Fraker takes part in varsity volleyball, art and theater as a student at Middleton High School.

She belongs to the Snake River Reining Alliance and the Idaho Stars volleyball club.

In her spare time, she volunteers for community service, Relay for Life, the March of Dimes and GEAR UP. She also enjoys training her horse, church activities and club volleyball.

She enjoys training and competing on horses her family raises and is in her second year in reining competition. Fraker plans to pursue a Communications degree at Boise State University.

Her favorite quote is from Eleanor Roosevelt:

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."



Fraker

Owyhee rodeo scholarships

The Owyhee County Rodeo Association handed out \$3,000 in scholarships this year to recent high school graduates.

Each receiving \$500 scholarships were:

- Dixie Kent, Marsing
- Kaitie Kent, Marsing
- Mikal Mackenzie, Homedale
- Rye Hyer, Homedale
- Austin Clow, Melba
- Sierra Ridley, Rimrock

Derby raffle winners still sought

Organizers of last month's Homedale Lions Club Fourth of July Demolition Derby raffle are still looking for a few winners.

Most of the prizes from the drawing held by the Lions and the Homedale Chamber of Commerce have been claimed.

But there are six prizes that have yet to be claimed:

- A 60-minute massage donated by Rapha Therapeutic Massage, which was won by Kevin Hulsey.
- Another hour-long Rapha massage going to the holder of ticket No. 392473.
- A \$30 gift certificate to Homedale Discount Store is waiting for the owner of ticket No. 392511.
- Chris Alans has yet to claim a full service oil change from Owyhee Motor Sales.
- Shelly Liddell still must claim the prize of a new client visit to Homedale Chiropractic Center.

Center.

- Mike Greeley won a subscription to The Owyhee Avalanche, but hasn't claimed it yet.

Call Lions Club member Mike Conant at 337-4664 to claim the prizes.

Other drawing winners who picked up their prizes included:

- A lavender gift basket from Faith-Full Farms won by Floydine Egurrola.
- Ten custom-made T-shirts from Message Makers went to Roger Gibson.
- Prime rib dinners at Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant went to Jason Binford and Merrill Ebberts.
- Robyn Tolmie won a new client office visit at Homedale Chiropractic Center.
- Shelly Blodgett won a folding utility garden cart from Tolmie's Ace Hardware.
- Kim Mackenzie took home a framed photograph of Swan Falls from Ruby's World.

Court briefs

Caldwell resident Joseph W. Geary, 50, was found guilty of misdemeanor DUI on July 15. Geary, cited by Homedale Police Officer Jeff Jensen, will lose his license for six months, faces fees and fines totaling \$350 and will be on probation for six months. He has the choice of doing two days in jail, or two days in the Sheriff's Inmate Labor Detail

(SILD) program.

Following an arrest and conviction for shoplifting at Paul's Market in Homedale, Tacarra Maxwell, 19, of Caldwell was sentenced to a year of probation, fined \$250 and sentenced to five days in jail, or one day of SILD service.

Manuel Mendoza-Ayala, 50, of Marsing, was found guilty of

petty theft following charges on June 30. Mendoza-Ayala will have to pay \$250, will be on probation for a year, and may chose five days in jail or a single day of SILD.

Laura Lee Walsh, 48, of Melba, was found guilty of unlawful entry for a violation dating back to June 10. Walsh faces \$200 of fees and fines and two years of probation.

All cases were heard by Judge Dan C. Grober.

What is SILD?

The Sheriff's Inmate Labor Detail is a new program in Owyhee County, though Canyon and Ada counties have a similar system, and saw its first use in the cleanup following Grand View Days last month, Sgt. Steve Menendez of the Owyhee County Jail said last week.

Menendez has worked for the launch of the program for a while, he said, and is in communication with the Idaho

Transportation Department in an effort to become involved in the Adopt a Highway program; a stretch of road SILD members would take care of.

Menendez said a fair number of people had chosen SILD over jail time thus far, and their labor was earmarked for community projects for the most part — county and city projects that benefited a large number of people, though there could be

exceptions made for situations where, for example, the elderly needed assistance.

"It serves us all better," he said. "It's the best of both worlds. It helps out the jail and the community."

City officials, or people knowing of a public area needing attention, can call the sheriff's office and suggest projects, Menendez said.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

The gift horse

Dave came by. I had seen him last week at the horse sale. “Did you sell that horse you were on, what was his name?”

“Dumbo,” he said, “Dumbest horse I’ve ever rode! I got him from a forest ranger. She gave him to me as a gift. Apparently, the horse was the result of one of those unplanned pregnancies. Seems someone, late one night and without her knowledge, had left this shaggy little mustang stallion in her corral. As luck would have it he managed to get up next to the forest ranger’s good mare and get her in the family way.

“But he is dumb, I mean, I’m ridin’ two 3-year-olds ... right now! It took me less than 20 minutes to train ’em to open a gate! Sidepass from the right on one side. Through the gate, sidepass to the left and close it! Simple, but not for him.

“I spent two hours pushing, prodding, leaning, leading and reaching, trying to get Dumbo in position. He reacted like he and the gatepost were opposing magnets! So I dropped a horn knot over my saddle horn, ran it around the post and pulled on the other end! Closest I could get was 3½ feet ... at a 45 degree angle!

“In the round pen, I attempted to familiarize him to a rope. You’d have thought it was a live electrical wire! I started uncoiling, he was snorting and blowing and prancing. I’ve never been on a Lipizzaner before, but now I know how it feels!

“I made a loop and accidentally hit him on the rump with the tip. In his exuberance to escape, he tripped over himself, fell against the rails, and dumped me out over the right shoulder. I’ve still never roped an animal from his back!

“He’s never learned to walk a straight line or follow the trail. He’s jiggin’ and trottin’ from side to side, in the brush, in the bar ditch, against the bob wire. He reins better when I hold a fishing pole over his head and dangle an ear of corn. That’s tolerable on a big gather but pretty unhandy in the sorting alley. That and the fact that he’s scared of cows!

“Oh, and he’d never been shod. He didn’t kick but wouldn’t stand still, always leaning, dancing or pulling back. He’d hold a minute for the trimming but he couldn’t abide the hammer! I finally got the dumb bugger shod ... in the horizontal position!”

I asked what he had brought at the sale. “Two hundred and ten dollars,” said Dave.

“Surely he must have some good points,” I said.

“Yeah,” said Dave. “For one, he was easy to catch. But then you had to ask yourself, ‘What’s the point?’”

— *Can’t get enough Baxter? Visit his Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features, merchandise and his latest book, “The World According to ... Baxter Black Quips, Quirks & Quotes”.*

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*

First hunt, Part two

Continued from last week

I slowly raised the 30-30 and sighted down the long, octagon barrel. The leading doe turned slightly and was moving across in front of me from right to left. The “click” when I cocked the rifle sounded like a shot to me, but the deer were still looking back down the hill. The doe wasn’t more than 35 yards from me when I squeezed the trigger.

The Winchester barked and the curved metal butt plate thumped against my shoulder. I was leveraging another shell into the chamber when Dad’s Enfield roared. Two shots and two deer were down. The other deer bounded up the side of the draw and were gone.

I stood up, safed the hammer on my rifle and scrambled down to the deer. My heart was pounding. As I looked down at the doe, the light in her eyes gradually ebbed away. There was a brief moment when a wave of sadness washed over me. But I was 15 and just killed my first deer, and that emotion overpowered all others.

The hunters who had been making the noise down below appeared. One man suggested we had shot “his” deer. But I wasn’t about to offer to give him my doe. Dad suggested they might still have a chance to get the other pair and pointed in the direction they had taken. The man and his buddies and their noisy dog headed up the hill.

It took some time to clean the animals and carry them back to the car. I was thankful Dad had decided to stay so close to our transportation. We folded down the back seat, put down some plastic and put my doe and dad’s yearling there.

It was midmorning when we started back out the Cow Creek road. Soon we were back on U.S. 95 headed for Marsing. We hadn’t gone more than a mile when there was a rumbling sound and the car started shaking.

“Looks like we have a flat,” Dad said. As he spoke, I remembered when we had left home that morning Dad had said he had taken in our spare to the garage the previous

day to get it fixed but had forgotten to pick it up.

I pointed out to Father that even though the day had gone rather well so far, it appeared to me we had a real problem. We had a flat time and no spare, and we were about 30 miles from the nearest service station. In addition the sun was heating up the interior of the car which couldn’t be very good for the meat in the backseat.

Dad said no problem. He said if we just relaxed, another VW would come along and we could borrow his spare. I noted that I thought he was being rather optimistic because VWs were still rather rare in America and the odds of not only finding one between Marsing and Jordan Valley — but finding one going our direction — were rather slim.

Dad told me to think positive. In the meantime, he turned on the radio. The University of Idaho football team was in Columbia, Mo., playing the Missouri Tigers. It was pretty unusual for the Vandals to play that far from home. Even more unusual was the fact they were giving Missouri a close game.

We had only been stopped about 20 minutes when a car passed us headed north, stopped and backed up. It was a man from Boise, in a Volkswagen, returning from a trip to California. Volkswagen owners were a small, close-knit community in those days. In a few minutes his spare was installed on our car, and we were on our way.

So that’s how I got my first deer and learned that sometimes it’s better to sit and relax rather than running around in a panic — a lesson that can be applied to deer hunting, flat tires, and a lot of other problems one encounters on the Road of Life.

Unfortunately the Idaho Vandals weren’t as lucky as we were. They lost to Missouri that Saturday, 14-10.

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



Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington

When a tax break isn’t one



There is an old adage: If it seems too good to be true, it probably is. This may be the case with a number of taxpayers who are now reaping a small benefit from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, President Obama’s economic stimulus package. The law included the Making Work Pay tax credit, which allows \$400 for individuals and \$800 for couples. The credit is also refundable, which means that if your tax liability is less than the amount of the credit, you receive a check from the government for the difference. To many taxpayers, this credit might seem like a good deal, but there is a catch. Because of the way the credit is set up, many taxpayers may end up having to pay money back to the government at tax time.

The small additional amount that the credit adds to your paycheck each week might add up to your \$400 or \$800 limit before the end of the year, but the IRS withholding tables run to the end of the year and anything accrued over your \$400 or \$800 limit will have to be paid back at tax time. According to the IRS, you might be affected by this if you are an employee with two concurrent jobs, if you and your spouse work, or if you can be claimed as a dependent on someone else’s tax return. For those who fall into these groups, the IRS recommends that you check your withholding, which can be done using the withholding

calculator on its Web site, www.irs.gov.

There is, however, a better, more efficient way for the government to put more money in your paycheck: the government shouldn’t take so much money from your paycheck in the first place. Instead of taking money in the form of taxes and then giving money back in the form of tax credits, why not skip the circuitous, inefficient transfer of money back and forth and simply leave more money in taxpayers’ pockets.

Refundable tax credits can be claimed by individuals who pay no taxes and are often used as a politically easier way to make transfer payments. The government should use the tax code to lower taxes on taxpayers, not to spend taxpayer money. Spending should be done through the traditional spending process where it can be debated openly. Including outlays (or spending) in the tax code via refundable tax credits is misleading; it would be more honest, and less popular, if we called it what it is — spending.

In addition to the Making Work Pay credit and creating or increasing several other refundable tax credits, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 spends more than any other program in U.S. history except for NASA’s space program. The tax credits will not help to stimulate the economy the way that cutting tax rates would,

— *See Tax, page 17*

Commentary

Financial management

Husband’s fast-food binges straining finances, relationship

Dear Dave,
I love your plan, but I think my husband is attached to eating out. Budgeting is very hard for him, and the cost of his fast food lunches is making it difficult for us to get by financially. On top of that, he’s taken a salary cut, and I’m working a part-time job to help us get by. Can you give him some tough love from a male perspective?

— Valerie

Dear Valerie,
It sounds to me like you’ve been way too nice. You’re acting like a mother dealing with little kid, and that’s not a good way to relate to a husband. Plus, if you guys are having money problems, the only time *either* of you should see the inside of a restaurant is if



you’re working there!
A man has several jobs in life, and one of those is to take care of his wife and children. Your wife shouldn’t have to work so you can stuff your face with fast food. When you married him, you didn’t want a little boy. You wanted a man. He needs to grow up and start acting like one!
That being said, my perspective probably won’t help. There’s a saying that goes, “Those convinced against their will are of the same opinion still.” He needs a

serious change of heart. You said you love my plan, right? Then sit down with this guy, and show him the numbers. Show him where all the money is going, and tell him it’s just plain wrong for him to eat out all the time while you have to work just to make ends meet. This isn’t just damaging your finances. It’s damaging your relationship.
People can do all kinds of things when they’re stressed out because of money problems. I’m sure taking a cut in salary was a blow to his self-esteem, as well. However, it’s time for a *strong* wake-up call when these behaviors start to have a negative impact on family and finances!

— Dave

Dear Dave,
I’ve got about \$15,000 in my

401(k). I also owe about \$15,000 on my car, and the payments are killing me. Should I cash in my 401(k) to pay off the car, and free up money in my budget?

— Misty

Dear Misty,
I love the fact that you want to get rid of your car payment, but I don’t want you to cash out your retirement plan to make it happen. If you use your 401(k), they’ll charge you a 10 percent penalty, plus your tax rate. This means you’ll lose anywhere from 30 to 50 percent to the government, and they get too much of your money already!
If it were me, and I could pay off the car in 12 to 18 months or less, I’d live on rice and beans, and push on through until that

car payment was out of my life forever. If that’s not going to happen, then you need to get an ad in the paper tomorrow and sell the car!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is the best-selling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. He also is the host of *The Dave Ramsey Show* that airs at 6 p.m. daily on the Fox Business Channel. He also has a radio call-in show. 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 Says, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

✓ Tax: Stimulus fails to stimulate US economy

From Page 16
and too much of the spending in this stimulus package is completely unrelated to stimulating our economy as a whole. And now, the president has proposed a budget for 2010 that will further increase federal spending to unprecedented levels and increase the public debt by almost \$5 trillion over the next five years.
What the economy needs, what America needs, and what Idaho needs is a government that controls its spending the way its citizens do during difficult times and a tax system that lowers tax rates to encourage working, saving, investing and growth. Massive new government spending is not the solution to our problems; massive new government spending is making our problems worse. The solution will consist of a rational mix of tax relief, regulatory reform, and responsible spending.
— Republican Mike Crapo is the senior U.S. senator from Idaho. Get more information on his economic and tax policies at <http://crapo.senate.gov>.

Frank Priestley — Idaho Farm Bureau

Voice of Idaho ag

What is “sustainable ag”?



Defining what sustainable agriculture means poses a significant challenge. But in spite of widely differing views, a group of conventional farmers, organic farmers, agribusiness officials and environmentalists recently opened a dialogue in an attempt to create a new sustainable standard.
The new National Sustainable Agriculture Standard would allow a “sustainable agriculture” label to be stamped on food similar to current organic food labeling. It could also create a system that rewards farmers for reducing the amounts of synthetic fertilizers and pesticides they use.
The components of this debate aren’t new to anyone close to agriculture or food politics. Putting labels on fresh and frozen meat and produce stirs controversy on many different levels. A strong lobbying effort from large meat packing companies effectively delayed implementation of country of origin labeling (COOL) of meat and fresh produce for the past six years. Now that COOL is finally in place, some grocery chains are using a label, especially on hamburger, stating the meat could come from as many as 10 different countries. We wonder how a label like that benefits consumers.
But getting back to what sustainable agriculture really means, we believe this is an important debate, and everyone who cares about food and where and how it’s produced should form an opinion. One of the stickiest issues here is whether to allow genetically modified crops to carry the sustainable label. The 58-member standards committee initially used organic agriculture as a starting point and a preliminary draft of the standard prohibited genetically modified crops.
However, The U.S. Department of Agriculture and the American Farm Bureau Federation correctly opposed the language on the grounds that it would exclude 96 percent of domestic produce, meat and grains. Currently, only four percent of

the domestic market is organic. In addition, genetically modified crops reduce the use of many pesticides, which should be a goal of sustainability. The new goal is to find a standard that makes room for any technology that increases agricultural sustainability.
Another interesting facet of this debate is that environmental groups have come under pressure to negotiate and look for compromises rather than utilizing their familiar tactics of propaganda and litigation. As with any business, in order to be sustainable, farms must be profitable. This fundamental often gets lost in the rush to regulate.
Over the last century American farms have demonstrated sustainability and experienced an incredible transformation. Size of farms and automation has dramatically increased while the number of people working on farms and the amount of acreage in production has drastically decreased. Label it any way you like, these are signs of a prosperous nation, sustained by agricultural production.
— Frank Priestley is president of the Idaho Farm Bureau Association.



Letters to the editor policy

The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes letters to the editor.

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

Letters can be e-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com or faxed to (208) 337-4867 or mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628.

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

The Owyhee Avalanche

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

August 1, 1984

Wright named building inspector

Lonnie Wright of Murphy was appointed as the new building inspector and part-time appraiser for Owyhee County by the Owyhee County Commissioners at their last regular meeting on July 23. Wright will fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Dennis Dines of Marsing.

Owyhee County Assessor Tom Brunzell said that Dines had accepted a position with the Farm Home Administration out of the Vale, Ore. Office creating the vacancy. Brunzell said that Dines had served the position well, but that Lonnie Wright was also very qualified for the job.

Relief funds earmarked for Bruneau area bridge

Senator Steve Symms last week announced the release of \$1.4 million in federal highway emergency relief funds for roads and bridges washed out or severely eroded May 15-17.

Symms, who sought these expenditures as chairman of the Senate Transportation Subcommittee, says he’s pleased that the Department of Transportation (DOT) is preparing to expedite the emergency relief funds.

“One hundred percent of the cost of this repair work will be assumed by the federal government,” Symms said. “Each repair of an Idaho highway will be provided to the state as a reimbursement.”

Some of the highways are already repaired, allowing for immediate repayment to the State Department of Transportation from DOT.

About \$50,000 will reimburse the state for work on the Bruneau Slough Bridge, on State Highway 78 in Owyhee County. “When the bridge was washed out, it added a 16-mile detour in the east-west route between Murphy and Hammett,” he said. “I’m glad the federal government has assumed an obligation to repair Highway 78, making it safe and convenient.”

Sixty-three participate in MOD “Fun Run”

Sixty-three runners from seven years of age to 67 participated in the locally sponsored Snake River March of Dimes Fun Run at Marsing Saturday morning. “We felt that it was a very successful event with out-of-towners participating along with local runners,” Ilene Dobbin, chairman said Monday.

Dan Graber, Wilder, was top runner in the 1 ½ mile run with a time of 8 minutes flat. He entered in the 20-29 years category. Theresa Page, Vale, in the 13-19 years category, was top woman entrant with a time of 10:22.

Cattlemen pay additional assessment fee of 50¢

Beginning July 1, Idaho cattlemen may have noticed a change in the beef promotion fee collected with their brand inspection fees. In February the Idaho Legislature approved an increase to fifty cents per head assessment for beef promotion, education and research.

The assessment is collected by the brand inspector at the same time as brand fees and sent on to the Beef Council monthly. Advertising, promotion, consumer education and research projects to help increase profitability for the cattlemen are supported with check-off funds.

“Advertising is one of the most important activities we do,” explained Suzanne Scott Craig, Executive Director of the Council. “Together with all other beef council states, we support a coordinated national advertising program to increase beef sales all over the country. This year the beef advertising message is ‘Beef Gives Strength’ with an underlying nutrition theme to change some attitudes about beef’s value in the diet.”

Colorful beef “point-of-purchase” materials repeat the theme at meat counters across Idaho.

The Idaho Beef Council installs beef buying prompters in all major markets in the state and helps support other states, where there is no beef council, with prompter installation.

50 years ago

July 30, 1959

Wind sweeps weekend range fires out of control

A 4800 acre fire was brought under control Tuesday in the vicinity of Silver City. Mop-up operations are being carried on by the Bureau of Land Management, after the Indian crews were pulled out and sent back to their Santa Fe, N.M., base.

A fire dispatcher said the fire will smolder for several days in the scattered timber area, but if there is no wind the fire could be held where it is. Several rangeland fires over the weekend were swept out of control by the high winds late Saturday night and Sunday morning.

The fire near Gowen Field in Boise was brought under control Sunday evening after burning 20,000 acres of sagebrush and grassland. The three Indian crews from New Mexico who were brought to battle the blaze were assigned to help fight a fire that lightning kindled in the scrub near Silver City.

Late Sunday night, bureau of land management officials reported two big fires, covering 13,000 acres, were raging out of control near Antelope reservoir, south of Jordan Valley.

Fire department called to three fires Saturday

The volunteer fire department was called to three fires Saturday, according to Fire Chief John Matteson.

The first call came about 11am. A granary full of mixed grain was ignited by an electric fencer on the farm run by Paul Thatcher southeast of town. The granary itself was a complete loss, but most of the grain was undamaged.

The department rolled out at 10pm for a blaze on the Symms ranch west of town where two chopped hay stacks were on fire. Spontaneous combustion was given as the cause. The volunteers stayed at the fire until 12:30 after putting out the top fire. The stack was not torn down until Sunday to put out the center fire, because of the high winds. Fire equipment was left at the ranch in case the fire started up again in the night.

While the rural fire fighters were fighting the Symm’s ranch fire, a call came in that a short in a power line might cause damage on 3rd street and Arizona avenue. The rest of the firefighters went to stand by in case a fire started.

Citizen of the week

Paul Zatica, owner and operator of Paul’s, the newly modernized supermarket, was born February 8, 1926 at Jordan Valley, Ore.

He attended school at Jordan Valley and after graduating joined the navy and served for two years over seas. War years behind he went back to school and graduated from Boise Junior college.

Erma Jean Taylor became his bride July 3, 1948 at St. Paul’s church in Nampa. The couple then attended Denver University for two years where Paul received a degree in accounting and business administration.

They have three children, Stanley, 7, Polly, 5 and Bryan, 1 ½.

They farmed and fed cattle outside of Homedale for four years before opening the groceteria in the Vanderford building. The store was just recently moved to the new location.

In the nine years Paul has lived in Owyhee County he has belonged to the American Legion, is past president of the chamber of commerce and past treasurer of Kiwanis.

He is a real school supporter and attends most of the football and basketball games. He enjoys bowling and water skiing, but spends most of his spare time reading trade books, both on the grocery business and on cattle feeding and raising.

City council holds special meeting; accepts pump bid

The City Council at a special meeting, Friday, July 10, accepted a bid of \$5150.00 from the Parma Water Lifter Co. of Parma to furnish and install a Peerless water lubricated pump.

140 years ago

July 24, 1869

JOHNSON VERSUS GRANT. The following pen portrait of Grant, by ex-President Johnson, is not very complimentary to our new President.

I know Grant thoroughly. I had ample opportunity to study him when I was President; and I am convinced he is the greatest farce that was ever thrust upon the people. Why, the little fellow – excuse me for using the expression, but I can’t help pitying him – the little fellow has nothing in him. He hasn’t a single idea. He has no policy, no conception of what the country requires. He don’t understand the philosophy of a single great question, and is completely lost in trying to understand his situation. He is mendacious, cunning, and treacherous. He lied to me flagrantly, by God, and I convinced him by my whole Cabinet; but that even would have been tolerable were it the only instance, but it was not. He lied on many other occasions. I tell you, sir, Grant is nothing more than a bundle of spites, jealousies, and resentments. And yet they say Grant is a second Washington. Just look at the man sitting at a Cabinet council. He has no idea, no policy, no standard, no creed, no faith. How can he guide the people? How can he impress any great improvements or moral ideas upon the nation? He has no object to look forward to, no leading aim to draw the people towards any particular end. He sits there with the Cabinet. One member has bought him a house in Philadelphia, another gave him \$65,000, another has given him a carriage, and so on. It is degrading to the office of President of the United States to have such a man there.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN, situated 24 miles south of Silver City, is covered with a magnificent pasturage, its general direction easterly and westerly. The canons formed by it are fringed by an inexhaustible body of red and white fir. The formation of the north half of the mountain is granite, the south half lime and marble. There has been found in this mountain an immense lead lode, running southeasterly and northwesterly, finely cased in lime, or spar – the same grades of rock peculiar to the deposits of White Pine. This lead has been shown in the works of Wessels & Hardy to be 44 feet wide, the same in the Picket, Cumorow & Grayson works, so far as indicated in their stripping. I have assays of the lead, yielding in silver from \$137 to \$266; have been informed that a dark iron-colored rock shown me, which abounds in the vein matter, assays \$300 in silver. The components of the vein are lead, iron, copper and black sulphureted quartz conglomerated – the last, the lead and copper in nodules, whilst the iron has good vein shape. Should the lead, by sinking, take the same shape it will realize largely to the owners by shipping at the present freights.

In returning, I spent a day or two in Flint, its population bore the cadaverous look attendant on empty larders. The population exists by the precarious hook and rifle. The grand sachem, George King, the Justice shadow of the burg, a veritable Nimrod, with his right-bower, Hastings, returned to Flint with four antelopes. The whole population crawled from their shady nooks with smiling faces, the game was equitably partitioned, creating a new lease of life for a few days to this starving population. This people wear belts – as their systems become depleted they tighten the belt. The aborigines of the forest eat enough in one day to last three. The pangs of hunger are stayed by compressing the belt. The people of Flint, notwithstanding the picture just drawn, are surrounded by and own boundless wealth. Let capital flow in, it would reap a rich harvest from a population too lazy to work and took honest to steal. Two capitalists from Chicago worked two tons of Sherman rock a few days since – result, \$538 silver. Six tons Jacob Astor was lately worked, \$210 per ton.

The whole in a nut shell – White Pine has played the devil. Yet Flint will rise like a Phoenix from her ashes. The despondent will smile again. Howard.

Public notices

SYNOPSIS
OWYHEE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
JULY 13, 2009

Tax cancellations approved.
Bates Creek Road speed limits.
Approved contract with Bailey & Co.
Executive session 67-2345 (1),(a),(b),(d),(f).
Indigent & Charity 09-13 denied, 09-24, 09-25, 09-26 liens approved, 08-33, 09-08 assignments to Catastrophic.
Presentation by Regence Blue Shield.
Adopted Resolution 09-22 setting spending limits at \$250.00 for departments.
Adopted Resolution 09-23 Clarifying final plat for Leilani Estates Subdivision.
City of Homedale requested help with replacement of the roof at City Hall. No action.
BLM Co-Ordination meeting with Twin Falls District.
The complete minutes can be viewed on owyheecounty.net or in the Clerks office.
7/29/09

NOTICE

The Owyhee County Transportation Plan is being prepared under the collaborative effort of 4 local entities; Owyhee County, Gem Highway District, Homedale Highway District and the City of Grand View. These entities all share a common desire to improve the transportation facilities within Owyhee County. Together, they agree that the overall purpose of the planning process is to effectively understand, plan for and implement improvements to the transportation facilities within their respective jurisdictions to meet the system and user needs over the next 20 years.

To fund the planning process, Owyhee County and Gem Highway District successfully applied for and received a transportation planning grant from the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC). With these funds, they have contracted with PARAGON Consulting, Inc., to complete the transportation study. When completed, the transportation plan will provide both guidance and justification for future funding requests to support implementation of the Plan's recommendations.

In order to ensure the final Plan meets the needs of Owyhee County residents we are requesting that you take a moment and share with us your thoughts on the existing condition of the roads and the service they provide as well as your thoughts on what you believe the roads and transportation system for Owyhee County should provide in the future.

On behalf of the local highway jurisdictions in Owyhee County, we appreciate your comments and interest in planning for continued improvements throughout the County.

To provide input on the Owyhee County Transportation Plan, please go to the following web address:
<http://owyheecounty.net>

Hard copies of the survey are available by contacting the Owyhee County at the following:
Owyhee County, Attn: Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk, P.O. Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650 (208) 495-2421
7/1,8,15,22,29/09

CITY OF HOMEDALE Quarterly Expenditure Report 3rd FISCAL QUARTER, FY 2009						
FUND	BUDGET AMOUNT	Expended to Date	% of Budget Expended	City Support	Revenue to Date	% of Budget Revenue
01 General	\$ 543,000.00	\$ 266,638.00	49.1%	\$228,748.84	\$322,745.36	59.4%
03 Parks	\$ 126,295.00	\$ 33,103.37	26.2%		\$19,120.93	15.1%
04 Library	\$ 81,518.00	\$ 42,520.81	52.2%		\$27,020.50	33.1%
06 Law Enforcement	\$ 328,164.00	\$ 204,895.73	62.5%		\$6,554.24	2.1%
30 Airport	\$ 5,160.00	\$ 4,942.81	95.8%		\$3,718.31	72.1%
Sub-Total	\$ 1,084,127.00	\$ 552,400.82	51.0%	\$228,748.84	\$379,559.34	35.0%
02 Streets & Highways	\$ 188,057.00	\$ 54,017.03	28.7%		\$72,006.59	38.3%
60 Irrigation	\$ 111,967.00	\$ 83,805.06	77.0%		\$74,612.77	66.6%
25 Water	\$ 610,500.00	\$ 382,921.07	62.7%		\$224,214.86	36.7%
26 Sewer	\$ 1,111,100.00	\$ 153,697.07	13.8%		\$154,944.56	14.8%
27 Sanitation	\$ 96,000.00	\$ 61,449.14	64.0%		\$71,427.50	74.4%
TOTAL (all funds)	\$ 3,201,751.00	\$ 1,268,280.19	39.6%		\$985,765.62	30.8%

The General Public is invited to
Financial figures may include fund transfers, service charges, refunds, reimbursements and other accounting procedures

Published July 29, 2009

Signed ALICE E. PEGRAM
City Clerk-Treasurer

*City Support includes the City support for the Library, Parks and Rec and Law Enforcement Funds

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7/29/09

PUBLIC NOTICE

US Ecology Idaho, Inc. (USEI) is hereby providing notice of a recent Class 3 Permit Modification in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR Part 270.42(c). This permit modification request is to utilize an alternative cover design for closure of landfill cells 14 and 15 at Site B in Grand View, Idaho. The required 60 day comment period shall begin on the date of publication of this notice in the Idaho Statesman. All comments should be addressed to:
Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, Attention: Ms.

Kim Custer

A Public Meeting shall be held regarding this Class 3 Modification request at Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School in Owyhee County at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25, 2009.

Copies of the request for modification and supporting documentation are available for viewing and copying at the following locations:

State of Idaho, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 North Hilton, Boise, Idaho

US Ecology Idaho, Inc., 20400 Lemley Road, Grand View, Idaho

Eastern Owyhee County Library, Grand View, Idaho

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) contact for request for permit modifications is Ms. Kim Custer at (208) 373-0130. USEI's compliance history during the life of the permit being modified is available from the IDEQ contact person.

If you have any questions regarding this Permit Modification, please feel free to contact the USEI's contact person, Mr. Matt Alvarado at (208) 834-2275, or Ms. Kim Custer with the Idaho Department Environmental Quality for further information at (208) 373-0130.

7/29/09

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
ATF4990905737-MAA
On **November 24, 2009** at the hour of **10:30 o'clock A.M.**, of said day, on the steps of the **Owyhee County Courthouse** located on the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Murphy, Owyhee County, Idaho.

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:

Lot 16 in Block 1 of Royal Vista Estates Subdivision, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the plat recorded April 4, 2002, as Instrument No. 239203, records of said county.

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: **16 Royal Vista, Homedale, ID 83628**, 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 American Financial Investments, LLC, a limited liability company, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Barbara J. Arcoraci, a married person as

Beneficiary, recorded March 8, 2006 as Instrument No. 255482, 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, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

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

Pay, when due and before delinquency, the entire balance of principal and interest payments as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$65,000.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of 9.00% per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated March 7, 2006. The loan matured on March 8, 2007 and is now in default. The principal balance as of July 8, 2009 is \$65,000.00 together with accrued and accruing interest thereon at the rate of 9.00% per annum. The per diem is \$16.25. In addition to the above, there is also due any late charges, advances, escrow collection fees, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure.

The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$65,000.00, 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: July 22, 2009
Alliance Title & Escrow Corp.,
By: Melissa Ambriz, Trust Officer,
Phone: 947-1554
7/29;8/5,12,19/09

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Notice of Trustee’s Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: July 2, 2009 File No.: 7023.04036 Sale date and time (local time): November 02, 2009 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 112 S. 9th Ave W. Marsing, ID 83639 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Keith E. Burson and Lori Denise Burson, husband and wife Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Academy Mortgage Corporation Recording date: July 15, 2005 Recorder’s instrument number: 252606 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of July 2, 2009: \$106,584.73 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is: Lot 12 of Bosma’s First Addition to the Village of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed February 5, 1940 as Instrument No. 59073 in the office of the recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.04036) 1002.127281-FEI
7/15,22,29;8/5/09

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Notice of Trustee’s Sale Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: June 30, 2009 File No.: 7261.26243 Sale date and time (local time): October 30, 2009 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 741 Audrey Dr Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Francisco J. Castellanos and Juanita Castellanos, Husband and Wife Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Ownit Mortgage Solutions, Inc. Recording date: July 17, 2006 Recorder’s instrument number: 257325 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of June 30, 2009: \$90,686.52 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day

you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is: Lot 11 of Block 2 of Owyhee Addition to Homedale, Idaho, No. 2, Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7261.26243) 1002.127100-FEI
7/15,22,29;8/5/09

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Loan No. xxxxxx1418 T.S. No. 1216757-09 Parcel No. rpa00100310140a **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE On October 27, 2009**, at the hour of 11:00am, of said day, at in the lobby of the Owyhee county courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Id 83650, Murphy, Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a State or National Bank, a check drawn by a State or Federal Credit Union, or a check drawn by a State or Federal Savings and Loan Association, Savings Association, or Savings Bank, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, state of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: **Lot 14, block 31, amended townsite plat of Homedale, Owyhee county, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed august 9, 1911 as instrument no. 7284, on file in the office of the recorder for Owyhee county, Idaho. * deed re-recorded 4/13/2006 inst# 255955** Commonly known as 306 West California Avenue, Homedale, Id 83628. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, 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 Timothy Clark, A Single Man as Grantor, to Pioneer Title, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Beneficiary, recorded March 16, 2006, as Instrument No. 255587 *, 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, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due February 1, 2009 of principal and interest and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said deed of trust. The estimated

balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$69,233.48, including interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation thereunder or in this sale, and trustee’s fees and/or reasonable attorney’s fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. First American Title Insurance Company C/o Cal-western Reconveyance Corporation P.O. Box 22004 El Cajon Ca 92022-9004 (800)546-1531 Dated: June 24, 2009 Signature/By First American Title Insurance Company. R-241304
7/15,22,29;8/5/09

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Trustee’s Sale No. ID-USB-094822 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on November 13, 2009, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, ON THE STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID, 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 and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the “Property”), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, to-wit: LOT 2 IN BLOCK 1 OF SHARI HILL ESTATES PHASE 1 SUBDIVISION, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT NO. 211614, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY RECORDER, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. EXCEPT THE MOBILE HOME(S) LOCATED UPON THE LAND. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of RT 1 BOX 456 , MARSING, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by WAYNE L DIXON AND VICKIE L DIXON, as Grantor, to STEWART TITLE, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC., as Beneficiary, dated 12/9/2002, recorded 12/31/2002, under Instrument No. 242075, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 12/9/2002, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 10/1/2008 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING
The Commissioners of the HOMEDALE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT have tentatively adopted the 2009-2010 budget for said district as set forth below. A public hearing for the adoption of such budget will be held at the office of Owyhee Lanes & Restaurant, 18 W 1st., Homedale, Idaho at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, August 10, 2009. Such budget may be examined at the above mentioned location prior to the hearing.

HOMEDALE RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT HOMEDALE, IDAHO 83628 Proposed Budget Oct. 1, 2009 to Sept. 30, 2010

Revenue	
Beginning Fund Balance	\$185,000.00
Property Tax – Owyhee	159,120.00
Property Tax – Canyon	61,880.00
Ambulance Payments	60,000.00
Interest Income – Checking	3.00
Interest Income – Investment	600.00
Interest Income – Money Market	1,500.00
Permits	25.00
License Plates Ambulance	1,000.00
Marcus Aldacosia	45.00
Penalties & Interest – Owyhee	1,000.00
Sales Tax Surplus – Owyhee	25,000.00
Ag Replacement – Owyhee	5,544.00
Penalties & Interest – Canyon	500.00
Ag Replacement – Canyon	2,156.00
Sales Tax Surplus – Canyon	1,900.00
Sales Tax Excess – Canyon	750.00
Total Revenue & Beginning Fund Balance	
Expenditures	
Accounting	15,500.00
Attendant’s Expense	1,200.00
Audit Expense	3,100.00
Building Improvement & Maintenance - District	15,000.00
Canyon County Paramedics – Collection	4,750.00
Cell Phones	1,200.00
Contingency Fun	28,000.00
Convention	2,000.00
Dues – Fire	2,500.00
Employee Wages	123,550.00
Employer FICA Expense	9,451.57
Employer PERSI Expense	5,000.00
Employer Retirement Expense	650.00
Employer SUTA Expense	1,658.04
Equipment – Ambulance	8,550.00
Equipment – Fire	4,800.00
Firemen’s Expense – Fire	1,200.00
Gas, Oil & Tires – Ambulance	3,500.00
Gas, Oil & Tires – Fire	4,000.00
Insurance	4,933.00
Lawn Mowing	275.00
Legal	10,000.00
Lifeflight	1,500.00
Office Supplies	3,500.00
Professional Billing Services	5,500.00
Property Taxes	175.00
Repair & Maintenance – Ambulance	3,000.00
Repair & Maintenance – Fire	20,000.00
School & Training – Ambulance	3,000.00
School & Training – Fire	2,500.00
Supplies – Ambulance	10,000.00
Supplies – Fire	8,000.00
Telephone – Ambulance	850.00
Telephone – District	1,300.00
Telephone – Fire	850.00
Utilities	10,000.00
Total Expenditures	\$320,992.61
Ending Fund Balance	\$185,830.39
Total Expenditures & Ending Fund Balance	\$506,823.00
<u>7/29/09</u>	

FORTH. Amount due as of July 10, 2009 Delinquent Payments from October 01, 2008 10 payments at \$777.12 each \$7,771.20 (10-01-08 through 07-10-09) Late Charges: \$186.48 TOTAL: \$7,957.68 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$96,117.71, together with interest thereon at 6.500% per annum from 9/1/2008, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. SALE INFORMATION LINE: 714-730-2727 DATED: 7/10/2009. PIONEER LENDER

TRUSTEE SERVICES AS TRUSTEE BY ASSET FORECLOSURE, SERVICES, INC., AS AGENT By: Lilian Solano, Trustee Sale Officer c/o ASSET FORECLOSURE SERVICES, INC. 22837 Ventura Blvd., Suite 350 Woodland Hills, CA 91364 Phone: (877)237-7878 ASAP# 3181601
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
ATF4990905376-BO Title No.
4990905376-BO Customer
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On**Monday, November 2, 2009** at the hour of **10:30 o’clock A.M.**, of said day, on the 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:

A parcel of land located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. Being further described as follows:

Basis of Bearings:
The North line of the Northwest Quarter of Section 17, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, derived from found monuments and taken as

North 89°26’21” East with the distance between monuments found to be 2648.04 feet.

Beginning at a point on the Westerly Right-of-Way of Highway 78 from which the Northwest Section Corner of said Section 17, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian bears

North 89°43’29” West a distance of 2353.69 feet; thence along said Right-of-Way

South 36°13’42” East a distance of 372.00 feet; thence leaving said Right-of-Way

South 29°59’00” West a distance of 380.00 feet; thence

South 81°57’23” West a distance of 425.00 feet; thence

North 14°17’51” West a distance of 705.00 feet; thence

North 89°26’21” East a distance of 565.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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: **10723 State Highway 78, Melba, ID 83641**, 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 Roger Fannin, a married man, as Grantor to

Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Pioneer Federal Credit Union as Successor Beneficiary, recorded May 31, 2007 as Instrument No. 261167, 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, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

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

1. pay, when due and before delinquency, the entire balance of principal and interest as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$427,000.00 together with interest thereon at the variable rate of 6.25% per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated May 30, 2007. The loan matured on November 29, 2008 and is now in default. 2. pay, when due, and before delinquency the real property taxes for the first half of 2008 together with penalty and interest. The principal balance as of March 19, 2009 is \$440,962.24 together with accrued and accruing interest thereon at a variable rate which is currently 6.25% per annum. The per diem is \$75.51. In addition to the above, there is also due any other real property taxes which may become delinquent during this foreclosure; and late charges, advances, escrow collection fees, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure.

The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$440,962.24, 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: June 29, 2009

Alliance Title & Escrow Corp.
By: Bobbi Oldfield, Trust Officer
Phone: 208-947-1553
7/8,15,22,29/09

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Trustee’s Sale No. 1D-USB-095685 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on November 18, 2009, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, ON THE STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID, 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 and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the “Property”), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, to-wit: Parcel I: A parcel of land being a portion of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast 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 brass cap marking the section corner common to Sections 27, 28, 33, and 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence North 89°37’24” West 2610.08 feet (formerly 2610.01 feet) along the South boundary of the said

Southeast Quarter of Section 28 to an aluminum cap marking the South Quarter Corner of said Section 28; thence North 0°04’28” East (formerly North 0°04’23” East) 2267.06 feet along the West boundary of the said Southeast Quarter of Section 28 to a 1/2” iron pin, said pin bears South 0°04’28” West 383.01 feet from a ½” iron pin marking the Central Quarter Corner of said Section 28, said pin also marking THE REAL POINT OF BEGGING; thence South 89°16’33” East 530.84 feet to a ½” iron pin; thence South 0°35’39” West 412.00 feet to a point; thence North 89°16’33” West 527.07 feet to a point lying along the West boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28; thence North 0°04’28” East (formerly North 0°04’23” east) 412.03 feet along the said West boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28 to THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Parcel II: An 88.00-foot wide easement for the purpose of ingress and egress, said easement being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a brass cap marking the section corner common to Sections 27, 28, 33, and 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee county, Idaho; thence North 89°37’24” West 2610.08 feet (formerly 2610.01) along the South boundary of the said Southeast Quarter of Section 28 to an aluminum cap marking the South Quarter corner of said Section 28; thence North 0°04’28” East (formerly North 0°04’23” East) 132.03 feet along the West boundary of the said southeast Quarter of Section 28 to an aluminum cap marking the South 1/16 corner of said Section 28; thence continuing along the said West boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28, North 0°04’28” East (formerly North 0°04’23” East) 1325.04 feet to a 1/2” iron pin marking the Central Quarter corner of said Section 28, said pin also marking the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 89°16’33” East 80.00 feet along the North boundary of the said Southeast Quarter of Section 28 to a point; thence South 0°04’28” West 383.01 feet to a point; thence North 89°16’33” West 80.00 feet to a point on the West boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28; thence North 0°04’28” East 383.01 feet along the said West boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28 to the POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 5145 OLD BRUNEAU HIGHWAY, MARSING, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by RYAN R KISH, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Grantor, to ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW CORP, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, dated 3/30/2005, recorded 3/31/2005, under Instrument No. 251374, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held

by US BANK, NA. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506{4}(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 3/30/2005, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 2/1/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of July 13, 2009 Delinquent Payments from February 01, 2009 6 payments at \$ 682.26 each \$ 4,093.56 (02-01-09 through 07-13-09) Late Charges: \$ 456.10 TOTAL: \$ 4,549.66 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and

advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is 378,076.47, together with interest thereon at 5.750% per annum from 1/1/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to b heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. SALE INFORMATION LINE: 714-730-2727 DATED: 7/13/2009. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES AS TRUSTEE BY ASSET FORECLOSURE SERVICES, INC., AS AGENT Lilian Solano, Trustee Sale Officer c/o ASSET FORECLOSURE SERVICES, INC. 22837 Ventura Blvd., Suite 350 Woodland Hills, CA 91364 Phone: (877)237-7878 ASAP# 3184910
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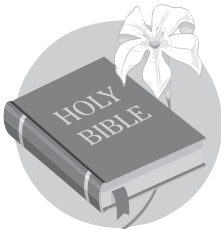
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**Knight Community Church
Grand View**
Pastor Paul H. Ryan • 834-2639
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Adult Bible Study: Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Knight's Neighborhood:
(Youth Activity Group) Friday 5-6:30 pm

**Crossroads
Assembly of God
Wilder**
Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644
Sunday School 10am
Sunday Morning Worship 11am
Sunday Evening Worship 6pm
Wed. Bible Study 7pm

**Assembly of God
Church
Homedale**
15 West Montana, 337-4458
Pastor George Greenwood
Sunday School 9:30am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am
Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm

**Friends Community
Church
Wilder - Homedale**
17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464
Pastor Carl Dennett
Sunday School 9:30 am
Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm

**Our Lady of the Valley
Catholic Church**
1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell
459-3653
Mass:
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am
Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm
Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon

**Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church
Homedale - 337-4248**
Sunday Services 10am
Rev. Ross Shaver, Pastor
Youth and Adult Sunday School 9-9:45am
Wed. Adult Bible Study 7-8:30pm
Visitors Always Welcome!

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Hope House, Marsing**
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Welcoming Families, especially those with
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Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767
Jake & Alisha Henriouille, Youth Pastors 761-6747
Sunday Services at 10 am

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Latter Day Saints
Homedale**
708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112
Bishop Alan McRae
Bishop Ronald Spencer
Sunday 1st Ward 9am
Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm

**Homedale Baptist
Church
Homedale**
212 S. 1st W.
Sunday School 10am & 11am
Sunday Evening 7pm
Wednesday Evening 7pm
Pastor James Huls

**Wilder Church of God
Wilder**
205 A St. E., 482-7839
Pastor Ray Gerthung
Sunday School 9:45am
Sunday Service 11am
Sunday Eve. 6:00pm
Wed. Eve. 7:00pm

**Mountain View
Church of the Nazarene**
26515 Ustick Road, Wilder
337-3151
Sunday School 9:30
Worship 10:30
Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm
Bible Based Recovery: Friday 7:00 pm


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Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing**
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Pastor Ricardo Rodriguez
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Sunday School 1:30 pm • Sunday Service 3 pm
Thursday Service 7 pm • (Bilingual Services/Espanol)

**Iglesia Evangelica
Wilder**
317 3rd st.,
Pastor Ramiro Reyes
10 am Sunday School
11 am Service
482-7484
Bilingual

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Marsing**
932 Franklin, Marsing
Minister Gib Nelson
Sunday Bible Study 10am
Sunday Worship 11am

**Christian Church
Homedale**
110 W. Montana, 337-3626
Pastor Maurice Jones
Sunday Morning Worship 11am
Church school 9:45

**Bible Missionary Church
Homedale**
West Idaho, 337-3425
Pastor Ron Franklin
Sunday School 10am
Worship 11am
Sunday Evening 7pm
Wednesday Evening 7:30

**Assembly of God Church
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139 Kerry, 965-1650
Pastor Rick Sherrow
Sunday School 10am
Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm

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Marsing**
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116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059
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Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm

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Sunday School - 9:45am
Mid Week TLC Groups

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Pastor Samuel Page
337-5021
Sunday School 10am
Sunday Morning Worship 11am
Sunday Evening 7pm
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Marsing**
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Bishop Lakey
Sunday 2nd Ward, 12:30 p.m.
Bishop Payne

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Marsing**
221 West Main Marsing, Idaho
208-896-5407
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.

**United Methodist Church
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Corner of 4th St. & B Ave.
880-8751
Pastor June Fothergill
Sunday Services 9:30am

**First
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Homedale**
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Pastor Marianne Paul
Sunday Morning Worship 11am
Sunday School 11am

**Calvary Holiness Church
Wilder**
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Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.
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Pastor Chuck Dimick
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Worship 11am
Tuesday Prayer Mtg. 7:00 pm

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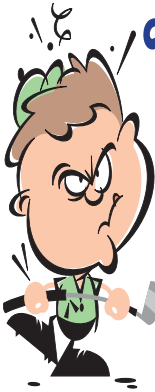
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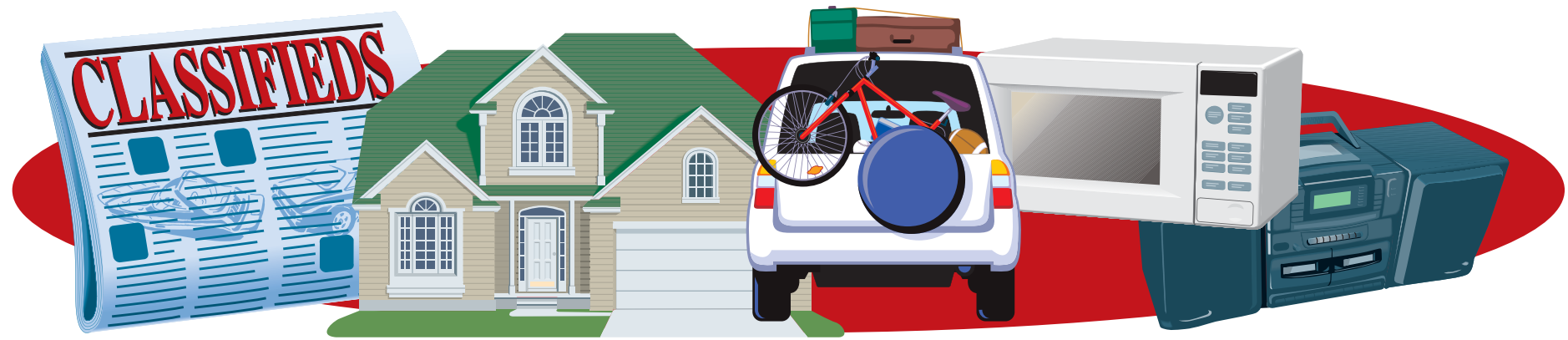
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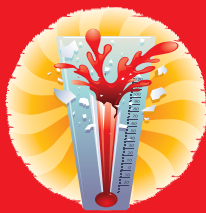
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