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Right on target



Children flock to HMS sports carnival

Jaden Walker, 3-year-old son of Denise and Joe Walker of Caldwell and grandson of Rita of Bob Doughty of Homedale, takes aim at the bean-bag toss during Friday's Homedale Middle School fundraiser at the high school baseball field.

Irrigation flow ends Oct. 9

Owyhee Reservoir irrigation water will cease Oct. 9.

The Owyhee Irrigation District and South Board of Control directors voted on Aug. 18 to turn the water off six days earlier than usual, citing less water available.

BOCC chair optimistic after Initiative meeting

Reps seem ready to end months of inaction

County officials are hoping the Owyhee Initiative implementation process has been jump-started.

"The rest of the nation is watching us because if this works, there's going to be a whole bunch of new initiatives," District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland said. "There's people out there that would like to see it

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Incumbents will run in Homedale

Candidate filing period opens in all three cities

Homedale City Council incumbents Tim Downing and David Downum will seek re-election in November, both men announced Friday, the first day to take out candidacy papers in Owyhee County's three municipalities.

Both Downing and Downum will seek another four years in office.

"It was with considerable soul





Tim Downing Dave Downum searching that I have reached this decision," Downing said in a Friday statement.

Downum has been on the council for six years.

"I think I have the experience — See Council, page 5

Marsing to hold rate hike hearing

Residents of Marsing have a chance to make their opinions on a proposed rate increase for both sewer and water heard at a public meeting Sept. 8 at the American Legion Community Center, 126 2nd Ave. W. The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m.

As proposed, sewer rates would rise \$8.40 a month, from a base rate of \$18.80 to \$27.20. Water rates could rise \$18.42, from a base rate of \$28.52 to \$46.94.

Comments may be heard at the meeting, or submitted in writing for consideration. Written comments must be received by 5 p.m. on Sept. 8. They may be delivered, or mailed, to Marsing City Hall, PO Box 125, Marsing ID, 83639.

Water rates have to go up to accommodate the usage seen,

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County budget hearing set

The public hearing on Owyhee County's proposed \$6,982,442 budget will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday as part of the Board of County Commissioners weekly meeting.

The hearing is scheduled for Courtroom 2 inside the county courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, in Murphy.

This year's proposed budget is 6.7 percent leaner than the FY 2009 budget of nearly \$7.5 million.

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Authorities discover marijuana grows in backcountry

Clampdown on regional gardens benefiting from experience, input

A garden of 4,000-plus marijuana plants was destroyed following a multi-agency operation in Owyhee County about eight miles south of the South Mountain Lookout on Aug. 17.

The operation, a case originally developed by the Bureau of Land Management, Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall said, saw OCSO, BLM, Sheriff's Posse and National Guard members unite to remove and destroy the plants.

BLM special agent Loren Good said that his organization had a plant count of 4,050, though Sheriff Crandall said he was not sure if that included the 1,100 plants taken by the BLM as evidence.

This is the second large pot garden found and destroyed this year, and brings the roster of large grows destroyed in the past two years to four within the county. It also came just over two weeks after a Malheur County Sheriff's Office investigation led to the discovery and destruction of 30,827 plants near White Horse Ranch Road in southern Malheur County, about 80 miles southwest of Jordan Valley.

Assisting agencies helped the BLM pull and transport plants, with two five-ton military trucks hauling the marijuana away to be burned, Crandall said. A similar concerted effort, including the use of an Oregon National Guard Chinook helicopter, was brought

to bear on the White Horse garden, MCSO Undersheriff Brian Wolfe said. A sniper team from the Ontario Police Department also accompanied raiders at White Horse. Eight arrests were made at the White Horse garden, all of low-level growers. None were made in this latest raid in Owyhee County, though Crandall said the investigation continues. He added that while this garden did not appear connected to the one discovered earlier this year, he suspected it might be related to other regional grow operations.

In the days following the White Horse garden arrests, two higherranking grow organizers were arrested in Washington state, Wolfe said.

While the Owyhee County garden was being cleaned up, Wolfe mentioned that his officers were assisting on yet another grow, this one in Harney County, of approximately 4,000 plants.

"It's a regional problem," Wolfe said. "You're looking at the entire Pacific Northwest; Oregon, Idaho, California."

The increase in gardens found and destroyed may be partly due to an in crease in the number of illegal operations, but Wolfe said it was likelier the result of law enforcement getting steadily better at finding them.

"There are also more recreational activities, and more people



Two large grows taken down

Left: Authorities set fire to the piles of marijuana plants found in a grow near South Mountain in Owyhee County. Below: Malheur County officials took out semitrailer loads of the illegal plants south southwest of Jordan Valley earlier in the month. Photos courtesy of OCSO and MCSO



on public lands (now)," he said. "We have more hikers, ATVers, even some private pilots have spotted the gardens. I think people are just more aware, as well."

BLM's Good, Crandall and Wolfe all offered similar cautions to those locating marijuana grows, and asked that anyone seeing anything out of the ordinary immediately call law enforcement. While none of the pot grows has so far been booby-trapped — something all investigators mentioned was a possibility — weapons are commonly found at the sites and

in the possession of the growers. Weapons and evidence of weapons were found at each of the three sub-fields which made up the White Horse grow, Wolfe said.

As far as value of seized plants, the numbers in question vary, but according to a Drug Enforcement Agency source, the rule of thumb is that an average plant will yield about one pound of salable pot, with a street value of between \$2,000 and \$2,500. Federal prosecutors are more interested with plant count, as the severity of sentencing is mandated by the number of viable plants with root-balls seized. Any pot garden involving 1,000 or more plants has a 10-year sentence attached under manufacturing charges.

Owyhee, Malheur gardens had common features

The most recent Owyhee County pot garden was located in a rugged area, but not in the bottom of the canyon as has often been the

case, Crandall said.

"It was kind of sophisticated," he said. Officers searched the creek area — the canyon in question had abundant water, Crandall said — trying to find the grow site. It was located after a search higher up the hill, in an area watered by a reservoir the growers had constructed of plastic and logs, fed by a spring.

The plants at this garden were spread between four fields, each about 100 yards wide and a quarter-mile long, Crandall said. Trees had been thinned in spots, but the location was heavily screened from casual sight.

"You didn't see it until you walked into it," he said. He said that more than 200 pounds of fertilizer had been taken in to the site, and that each pair of plants had been hand-planted in their own divot of earth," Crandall said.

"The plants were well-groomed and trimmed, and had huge buds. This was a good one."

— MML





Power line meeting tonight

A meeting for landowners and others concerned about siting of Idaho Power's Boardman-to-Hemingway transmission line is set for today at the Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 N. Old Bruneau Highway.

The 4 p.m. meeting will be attended by Idaho Power, the Bureau of Land Management and Project

Advisory Team (PAT) members. Information will be given on routing recommendations for the planned 500-kilovolt power line that will terminate at the currently-under-construction Hemingway Butte substation. The PATs include landowners, elected officials and citizens from each of three regions in the project's path.

According to an Idaho Power press release, PATs will review public comments and present revised information today.

PAT members are in the process of suggesting two alternate routes for the proposed line, the initial course for which was on private property for more than 80 percent of its 300-plus mile length.

On the Gateway West line project, the county has asked for a 30-day extension of the Environmental Impact Statement to be issued by the BLM to give committee members time to finalize alternate routes, as well as time giving the county an opportunity to organize public hearings to take input on the merits of the routes.

Board of County Commissioners

Tipping station repair approved

Coroner selling caps, shirts to fight DUI

The Board of County Commissioners exercised their prerogative under the spending cap resolution during their Aug. 18 meeting.

The commissioners approved a \$927.03 bid from TP Construction to replace windows in the trailer at the Homedale Tipping Station at the end of Johnstone Road. The windows were shattered by vandals weeks ago, according to District 2 Commissioner George Hyer.

The commissioners agreed to pay all bills before them last week except for a \$288 expenditure turned in by the county coroner's office for 24 khaki hats.

"It would be in your purview to request justification," Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery advised the commissioners.

Board chair Jerry Hoagland said the commissioners would need more information before agreeing to pay the bill submitted by the coroner.

Coroner Harvey Grimme, who wasn't present at last week's



BOCC meeting, told The Owyhee Avalanche on Wednesday that the hats were purchased from Ken's Canvas and Tent in Homedale as a community outreach tool for his office.

Grimme said he also had T-shirts made up by a shop in Boise. Both the T-shirts and the cap carry the slogan, "Don't let the coroner be your designated driver". He's selling the hats (\$12 each) and the shirts (\$22 each) to recoup his out-of-pocket expenses for the items.

Grimme said a second annual health festival is scheduled next month at Marsing High School as is a separate "Every 15 Minutes" drunk driving presentation.



Message merchandise

Coroner Harvey Grimme shows off a hat and shirt to raise awareness of drunk driving. Grimme is selling the clothing.

New DMV worker hired

Visitors to the Marsing Division of Motor Vehicles office will notice a new face after commissioners authorized the hiring of Homedale resident Elaine Black last week.

County Assessor Brett Endicott said Black started last Wednesday.

The hiring decision was unanimous from the commissioners.

"She'd be a good one. She's a dandy," District 3 Commissioner Dick Freund said.

District 2 Commissioner George Hyer agreed: "Elaine's good with people."

BOCC rejects deputy's promotion, pay hike

The Board of County Commissioners has denied pay authorization to promote an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy to sergeant.

The 2-1 vote on Aug. 12 essentially means Deputy Farrell Ramsey cannot be promoted as was requested by Sheriff Daryl Crandall. Commissioners Jerry Hoagland and Dick Freund voted against the request. District 2 Commissioner George Hyer voted for the authorization, but later that day said he had made a mistake.

The vote came a week after the BOCC tabled the raise for Ramsey, a Grand View resident.

"For me ... there are some other things that need to be addressed because if a person who lives in Grand View is going to be in charge of the Marsing-Homedale area, that's a lot of travel," Hoagland said. "I suppose that sounds like we're going to micro-manage his office, but to

the taxpayers I think (Ramsey's commute is) kind of foolish.

"It wasn't just that specifically. We probably needed more questions answered, more specifics. We didn't really get that (in the Aug. 10 meeting), and the sheriff was not there (Aug. 18)."

Crandall was completing an operation taking down a marijuana grow last week during the commissioners meeting.

He told The Owyhee Avalanche that Ramsey would work out of the Murphy headquarters.

"I needed more information. It's not just the move. There just seems there's an awful lot of personnel changes within that department," Hoagland said. "It's kind of worrisome that things aren't going smoothly."

Freund said he wanted more information on what the sheriff's sergeants' responsibilities are.

— JPB

Irrigation boards to meet

The boards of directors from local irrigation districts will meet Tuesday at the South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st Street W., in Homedale.

The Ridgeview Irrigation District board meets at 7 p.m. The Gem district meets at 7:15 p.m., and the South Board of Control directors meets at 7:30 p.m.





Comment sought on U.S. Ecology nuke waste project

The public has until Sept. 6 to submit comment on U.S. Ecology Idaho's plan to store low-level nuclear waste at its Grand View facility.

District 23B Rep. Stephen Hartgen (R-Twin Falls) said USEI already is permitted to store such waste, which will be shipped from a defunct nuclear fuel factory formerly operated by Westinghouse in Hematite, Mo.

The federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission must review the application and complete a safety evaluation report and an environmental assessment. Once the review is completed, the NRC will make a recommendation to the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, he said.

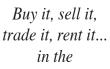
The project calls for the shipment of approximately 50,000 tons of soil and debris to the Grand View site. The shipments could begin arriving at the hazardous waste site in late 2010 or early 2011.

The comment period began after a July 28 public meeting at

Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School in Bruneau. The deadline to request a public hearing on the matter is Sept. 4.

"My concern is to be sure that whatever we do in this area is acceptable in terms of the state and the (NRC) that the level of risk is minimal," Hartgen said. "We're sort of relying here on a federal agency to do the study and make the recommendation to DEQ and issue the permit to U.S. Ecology."

— JPE



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GV Ambulance, search and rescue benefit

DIRT Inc. donated more than \$3,000 to Grand View Ambulance and the Owyhee County Search and Rescue. Accepting checks from Melba dirt-bike enthusiasts Randee and Jared Schlapia were, from left George and Donna Bennett of Grand View Ambulance and Deputy Slade Heeb from the sheriff's office.

Off-roaders donate to Owyhee outfits

Off-road enthusiasts handed out nearly \$3,100 to a pair of Owyhee County emergency services outfits last week.

The Owyhee County Search and Rescue and Grand View Ambulance received equal shares of the \$3,087 raised during a May 3 poker run supported by the Southern Idaho Desert Racing Association and DIRT, Inc., and a slew of sponsors.

The money was presented to the two organizations on Aug. 18 in Murphy.

DIRT Inc. president Bill Walsh

said the springtime event saw a light turnout because of the wet weather.

Twenty participants took part in the poker run and chili feed at the Rabbit Creek Trailhead.

Several businesses submitted donations, such as Jerry Benson Trucking, Idaho Independent Bank in Caldwell, Mountain West Bank, SPF Water Engineering, SIDRA and the Owyhee Outlaws, Bar to Bar, DIRT Inc., and Boise Ridge Riders off-road racing clubs.

— ЈРВ

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$\sqrt{\text{Council:}}$ Two seats each open in Homedale, Marsing; three open in GV

to take Homedale's infrastructure and community on the path to a brighter future," Downum said.

Marsing and Grand View also have council seats open for the Nov. 3 election. Prospective candidates in all three cities have until 5 p.m. on Sept. 4 to file petitions of candidacy at the respective city halls.

The positions held by Soila Contreras and Tony Purtell are up for grabs in Marsing. Both carry four-year terms, and Purtell was appointed to finish the four-year term of Leroy "Bud" Peck after Peck died in office. Neither current councilperson has said whether they will seek re-election.

In Grand View, there could be three races, one for a four-year term and two for a pair of two-year terms. Opal Ward and Marie Hipwell currently hold the two-year seats. Bill Lawrence's seat also is up for election. City Clerk Lani Race said Monday morning that Lawrence will seek re-election, but it's unknown if Hipwell and Ward will seek second terms.

Downing said his decision to run again was a tough one because of possible conflicts with his grandchildren's sports schedules.

"Over the course of the last four years, I have maintained a perfect attendance record for both regular and special council meetings," Downing said. "In honesty to the voters, if elected to a second term, I may miss a couple of meetings to attend grandkids' special games."

He said he passed up grandson Riley

Maggard-Qualls seventh-grader basketball championship game last winter to attend a meeting even though Mayor Harold Wilson had told Downing to skip the council event and catch the game.

But Downing also is focused on continuing his role as councilman:

"We still got unfinished business. We haven't finished our block grant or the (Local Improvement District). There are still some issues that so far aren't finished."

__ IPR

Hearing: Mayor says increases are necessary to comply with state law

Marsing Mayor Keith Green said Monday. "We're running in the red right now, according to the auditor."

The seeds of the issue were planted in previous years, he said.

"It stems from former councils and mayors trying to keep the costs down," he said. "It's been that way for years."

Rate hikes were looked at back in 1997, the most recent period

Green knows of that the issue was seriously examined, but no rate increase schedule was put into place.

"If it had been done in 1997, we'd have saved a bunch of money, now."

The city auditor recommended a standard rate hike last year, but Green was hesitant to do so until he had seen the actual expenditures and costs.

In the end, state law also con-

strains a city to balance its budget, and hikes for services that have risen in cost are unavoidable under statute, he explained.

"You can't run a city in the red," Green said. "State law says you have to have enough coming in to cover it (utilities). I don't want to be in the same pickle that other cities are in, wondering why there's a negative balance in the check book."

The proposed rise in rates is

needed to meet the expense of operating and maintaining both the water and sewer systems, the hearing notice stated.

The rate increases follow the upgrade of the Marsing water distribution system, as well as addressing rising costs involved in wastewater treatment, both subjects that have been repeatedly addressed at Marsing City Council meetings.

"We have all the hard costs a

big city has," Green said. "They (the state) are making us compete wage-wise, and everything else, with Boise."

Costs have risen for electricity, and with irrigation pumps within the city being taken off agricultural billing and shifted to more expensive city billing, the city itself faces higher utility fees, he said.

— MML

✓ **Initiative:** Grandfathered uses, land exchanges discussed at museum

fail, and we can't let it fail."

The Board of County Commissioners, the Initiative board of directors and representatives from the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes met Aug. 18 in Murphy to reconnect after more than two months of inactivity.

Hoagland and his fellow commissioners (George Hyer, District 2, and Dick Freund, District 3) convened the meeting at McKeeth Hall. County prosecuting attorney Douglas Emery, three Sho-Pai Tribe representatives and several members of the board of directors also were in attendance.

"They all said, 'We're on the road again; we're moving ahead,' "Hoagland said. "They've been concerned about the stagnation of nothing going on."

The 2½-hour meeting covered three primary topics — the role of the county and the Tribes in the decision-making process, the lack of progress on elements of the law's implementation and the lack of communication between the Initiative board of directors and the government agencies.

County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery was concerned that the bylaws would give the Initiative executive board too much power and violate state statute by denying the BOCC the opportunity to weigh in on implementation decisions.

To that end, the Initiative directors, BOCC and Sho-Pai have agreed to meet in the first week of September to re-work the Initiative board's bylaws.

Initiative board members also have been invited to next month's three sovereigns coordination meeting between the commission-



Initiative board, commissioners back at table

Rancher Tim Lowry, center, who represents the Owyhee County Farm Bureau on the Owyhee Initiative Board of Directors, makes a point during last week's meeting in Murphy.

ers, the Tribes and the Bureau of Land Management.

"It was a huge breakthrough," Hoagland said of that decision.

The BOCC chair said having as many Initiative board members as possible at the BLM coordination meetings would ensure that decisions potentially detrimental to the spirit of the agreement can be hammered out as quickly as possible, rather than waiting for the next Initiative board meeting to make a report and then return to the next coordination meeting to resolve the matter.

The board of directors hasn't met since the proposed bylaws were developed in early June. It was decided last week that more frequent meetings will be necessary to get the bylaws approved to the satisfaction of all parties and to begin meeting deadlines that were put in motion when the Initiative became law in March.

Last week's attendees vowed to come together for as long as it takes to get the bylaws completed, even if it means a daylong gathering during a scheduled Sept. 2 meeting, or several marathon meetings

All interested parties have less than a year to put together a list of administrative uses that will be grandfathered into the wilderness areas, which the BLM already has begun mapping out, according to some attendees last week. The grandfathering process will preserve grazing practices as well as some pre-existing recreational uses inside wilderness areas.

The BLM's interpretation of wilderness boundaries and "cherry stems" — access off roads to the rivers — also are big concerns, Hoagland said. The cherry stems would provide access for parking and camping.

"I've heard some discussion

from BLM that they're not sure how far the cherry stems were, and it's very clear it's 300 feet, and that was discussed in the work group from way back," he said.

Some Initiative board members worry that the BLM has begun staking wilderness boundaries without their input. The Initiative board also complained that it has had a difficult time acquiring wilderness maps from BLM, something that both the Tribes and the BOCC said they would resolve through the coordination process.

Another worry is the fact that the state Department of Lands and the BLM appear to be moving forward with land exchanges — forcing the ranchers' exchange program to take a back seat.

Frank Bachman, the Initiative board member who has represented the county after the resignation of Inez Jaca, complained that the state has taken advantage of the situation after removing itself from the eight-year process early on. He said the state's action has forced the BLM to spend resources that should have been focused elsewhere in the Initiative process.

"As soon as the wilderness act passes, (Department of Lands officials) run in with a bunch of land exchanges," Bachman said. "It's extremely unfair to those who have been in the process."

Initiative board vice-chair Craig Gehrke of The Wilderness Society suggested the BOCC draft a letter to BLM state director Tom Dyer or get Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) involved in an attempt to prioritize the ranchers' land exchanges. He also said he is hard at work trying to run down private funding sources to help with ranchers compensation.

Hoagland is optimistic that the coordination process will help the BLM see the light on the land exchange issue.

The commissioner and rancher also saw last week's meeting as a reminder to all involved of the progress that has been made over the past decade.

"There were such opposing views at the beginning of the Initiative process that that has educated all sides on where everybody is coming from and brought a different perspective," Hoagland said.

"And I think last night (Aug. 18), we renewed that perspective. I see nothing but positive things coming out of it now. There's a lot of work, yes, but we're all on the same page."

— JPB

School menus

Homedale **Elementary**

Aug. 26: Chicken patty or ribb-que sandwich, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, cake, milk.

Aug. 27: Enchilada or corn dog, scalloped potatoes, fruit & veggie bar, brownie, milk.

Aug. 28: Cheese pizza or PB&J, salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie,

Aug. 31: Beanie Weenee or French dip sandwich, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, sugar cookie,

Sept 1: Nachos or baked potato, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon breadstick, milk.

Sept 2: Chicken nuggets or egg roll, rice pilaf, veggie, fruit & veggie bar, fortune cookie, milk.

Homedale Middle

Aug. 26: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Aug. 27: Nachos or baked potato, fruit & veggie bar, rice krispie treat, milk.

Aug. 28: Chicken tenders or chicken friend beef steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Aug. 31: Hamburger or hot dog, tots, cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Sept 1: Chicken nuggets or egg roll, rice, veggie, fruit & veggie bar, fortune cookie, milk.

Sept 2: Burrito or fish sandwich, corn, fruit & veggie bar, apple crisp, milk.

Homedale High

Aug. 26: Lasagna, burrito or hot pocket, string cheese, French bread, fruit bar, milk.

Aug. 27: Chicken patty, sandwich & soup or popcorn chicken, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar, cookie, milk.

Aug. 28: Chicken taco or

Homedale, died Wednesday, Aug.

19, 2009, at home. Services were

held Saturday, Aug. 22, 2009, at

the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery

under the direction of Flahiff

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French dip sandwich, corn, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Aug. 31: Pizza, popcorn chicken or chef salad, fruit bar, brown-

Sept 1: Chicken fried beef steak or chicken filet, potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit bar, milk.

Sept 2: Spaghetti, burrito or pizza hot pocket, string cheese, French bread, fruit bar, milk.

Marsing

Aug. 26: Tacos w/fixings, rice, pizza, dessert, salad bar, fruit

Aug. 27: Turkey gravy, mashed potatoes & corn, roll, beef nuggets, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Aug. 28: Hot dog, vegetables, baked beans, sub sandwich, chips, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Aug. 31: Tator tot casserole, tacos w/fixings, cinnamon twist, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Sept 1: Chili, carrot sticks, desert, chicken nuggets, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Sept 2: Corn dog, veggie, baked potato, salad bar, chocolate pudding, fruit bar, milk.

Bruneau-Grand View

Aug. 26: Breakfast: hashbrown & little smokies. Chicken patty, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli, peaches, roll/butter, milk.

Aug. 27: Breakfast: Muffins. Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, pineapple, milk.

Aug. 28: Breakfast: Cinnamon knot. Hamburger, French fries, apples, rice crispy treat, milk.

Aug. 31: Breakfast: cereal, toast, fruit. Corn dogs, potato wedges, broccoli & cauliflower, grapes, cookie, milk.

Sept 1: Tacos, chip & bean dip, corn, applesauce, cinnamon breadstick, milk.

Sept 2: Lasagna, salad/croutons, garlic breadstick, fruit milk.



HHS Class of 1969 gathers for weekend

Front row, from left: Dennis Udlinek and Gary Garrett.

Second row, from left: Jim Crummett, Barbara George Ineck, Shirley DeGroat Travis, Kathy Herod Lewis, Annis Metcalf Clapp, Barbara Cline Hansen, Marilyn Curtis Evans and Karon Felty Tish.

Third row, from left: Jim Salisbury, Vickie Degitz Schaffan, Marcia Richards Hoshaw, Janell Thatcher Miller, Debbie Kushlan Bettencourt, Dale Dickson, Marilinn Cegnar Batt, Ken Parker, Ruben Garcia, Jacquie Walker Rogers and Vickie Goicoechea Spencer.

Fourth row, from left: Allen Bidwell, Brenda Carson Hogg, Becky Carter Brown, Doug Larzelier, Ed Lowder, Lynn Evans Vona, Philip George, Bob VanZant and Marilyn Powell Wellems.

Not pictured: Laura Young Newman, Sheila Christoffersen Leavitt and Mike (Verl) Perkel

HHS Class of 1969 holds 40-year reunion

Submitted by Janell Thatcher Miller

The Homedale High School Class of 1969 held its 40-year reunion from Aug. 7 to Aug. 9. The Class of '69 was the largest class to graduate from Homedale up to that time. It was also the year the boys' basketball team won the state championship.

Classmates and guests met at the Frosty Palace in Homedale on Aug. 7 to gather with old friends, some of whom they hadn't seen in 40 years.

After visiting at the restaurant, the group broke up to drag Main, drive an old bus route and return to Marcia Richards Hoshaw's home for more visiting.

The reunion dinner held Saturday, Aug. 9, at the Sandbar Restaurant in Marsing included a delicious buffet dinner. The tables were beautifully decorated with fresh flowers from Marilyn Curtis Evans' garden. The program started with a touching tribute by Barbara Cline Hansen to classmates during which a prayer was said and balloons released in memory of Kathy Simon Fisher, Linda Kershner Nussbacher, Harold Hall, Paul Stewart, Virgil Henson, Donald Liddell and Bob Felty.

Emcee Dennis Udlinek welcomed Mrs. Evelyn Cates, one of the fifth-grade teachers who

taught the Class of '69, members of whom comprised the first class she taught. Approximately 10 percent of the class became teachers thanks to the influence of teachers like her.

Eddie Lowder brought an interesting "show and tell" to share, a wooden paddle autographed by those who had received its "warm embrace", many of whom were members of the Class of '69. It spurred vivid memories of methods of discipline used by some of the teachers back in the day. Those familiar with the paddle determined it had probably been used by Principal Darrel Reisch.

Shout-outs were given to:

- · Doug Larzelier for traveling the farthest (from Albania)
- · Ken Parker for best job because he was being paid for being wrong 90 percent of the time (meteorologist)
- · Becky Carter Brown for driving the farthest (1,800 miles from Minnesota)
- · Gary Garrett and Philip George for "never left home"
- The veterans for service to our country
- · Jacquie Walker Rogers for being our very own author (writes fantasy novels)
- Annis Metcalf Clapp for least changed
- Vickie Goicoechea Spencer for most changed

- Vickie Degitz Schaffan for raising seven children on her own
- Bob VanZant for most grateful to be here.
- The group was congratulated for producing 121 children and 145 grandchildren.

The reunion planning committee included Barbara Cline Hansen-Chair, memorials, teacher invitations; Lynne Evans Vona-Co-Chair, registration, yearbook; Debbie Kushlan Bettencourt-slide show; Marilyn Curtis Evansdinner site arrangements, flowers; Marcia Richards Hoshaw-Friday hostess, banners, picnic; Marilinn Cegnar Batt-picnic hostess; Dennis Udlinek-emcee; Bob VanZantfellow planner and supporter. Special thanks went to Laura Young Newman-memorial research; Janell Thatcher Miller-reunion reporter; Doug Larzelier-invocation, memorial prayer, and Chuck Vona-reunion photographer.

Debbie's "Then and Now" slide show featured facts from 1969, pictures from school days and of school memorabilia, and pictures from the present.

A potluck picnic and barbeque was held Sunday, Aug. 9, at Marilinn Cegnar Batt's home in Homedale.

Thirty-three classmates, 25 guests, and one teacher attended the reunion.

BERDINA CRUTCHER **BACON**, 86, of Phoenix, Ariz., and a former Owyhee, Nev., resident, died Wednesday, Aug.

19, 2009, in Peoria, Ariz. Services are planned in the Fort McDermitt Reservation under the direction of Nampa Funeral Home, Yraguen

LEO D. ANDERSON, 71, of Chapel.

Death notices

NINAL. PATTERSON, 92, of Madras, Ore., and a former Jordan Valley resident, died Friday, Aug. 14, 2009. Graveside services were held at 1 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 21, 2009, at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Caldwell.

MARGUERITE "RITA" WOOD, 87, of Caldwell, formerly of Homedale, died at a Caldwell area hospital Thursday, Aug. 20, 2009. Services are pending with Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252.

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Homedale graduates hold 10-year reunion

The Homedale High School Class of 1999 held a reunion on Aug. 7-8, beginning with a gathering at the Txoko Ona Basque Club where a video collection of past years was shown. On Aug. 8, classmates attended a family barbecue at City Park. Attending the reunion were:

Top row, from left: Duty Bauer, Darren Uranga, Nick Shanley, Evonne (Ewing) McGuire, Andrea (Bideganeta) Parker, Troy Tiddens, Jamie Nielsen, Kordell Anderson, Jacq Landa, Scott Neil, Joe Demshar, Jason Puri and Jake Hyer.

Bottom row, from left: Jay Hensley, Alex Smith, Nicole (Sonke) Garrett, Isaac Mendez, Deitra (Haylett) Batt and Kacey (Pegram) Hyer.

Not pictured: Jennifer (Lewis) Clair. Submitted photo

Familiar owners present crawdad feed

The Blue Canoe restaurant is under new ownership, but the tradition of the Crawdad Feed will continue Saturday.

Al and Debra Lindner have resumed control of the restaurant on Idaho highway 78 between Murphy and Givens. The crawdad feed begins at 4 p.m. with a horseshoe tournament and a karaoke contest that runs from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The feed begins at 6 p.m., and live music will begin at 8 p.m.

live music will begin at 8 p.m. Advance tickets are \$15 for the feed only or \$25 for the feed and

Calendar

the T-shirt. Day of the feed, the meal costs \$20 and the T-shirts will sell for \$15.

Barbecued ribs, hot dogs and hamburgers will be sold separately.

For more information, call (208) 495-2269.

Monday

Narcotics Anonymous open meeting

8 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17454 Hwy. 95 S., Homedale

Tuesday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

County budget hearing

10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, courtroom 2, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

Senior citizens card games

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

Senior citizens dinner

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

AA meeting

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

Wednesday

Line dancing lessons

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

TRIAD meeting

1 p.m., Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main St., Marsing. (208) 337-4466

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Bet You Didn't Know Chivalry isn't dead, but it can be deadly

Some folks don't have any luck ... Charles VIII of France ... ruled from 1483 to 1498 ... had great manners. He was allowing his wife to enter a tennis court at one of his homes, bent down to bow as she walked past. When he raised up, he hit his head so hard on a low wooden beam it fractured his skull and killed him.

Bet you didn't realize that pigs could sunburn.

Cyrus McCormick went bankrupt in 1837 ... everything he owned got put up at auction for sale ... as you recall he invented and patented the reaper ... no one thought it had any value so he got to keep it. ... you know the rest.

In China the crane is the symbol of what? Longevity ...

Hawaii is the only state that grows coffee.

While I was talking about patents, I forgot to tell you that the first patent was issued to a Samuel Hopkins in July 1790. It was for a process to make pot and pearl ash. Whatever that is.

While I'm on old stuff ... the oldest state capitol in continuous use is in Annapolis, Maryland. It was first used in 1772.

Once was a motion picture actress named Marguerite Clark. Her husband had a clause written into her contract that did not allow her to kiss anyone on screen. The no kissing rule ruined her career and she retired in 1921.

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Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Aug. 25: Taco salad with beef beans & cheese, nacho chips, beverage.

Aug. 26: Chicken patty on bun, broccoli, beverage.

Aug. 27: Burrito, refried beans, cole slaw, beverage.

Marsing Senior Center

Aug. 26: Chicken & fried rice w/vegetables, macaroni salad, pickled beets, custard, orange juice, milk.

Aug. 27: Pork roast, potatoes, oriental vegetables, tossed salad, biscuit, fruit, jello, milk.

Aug. 31: Breakfast to order. Special: Eggs, bacon, ham or sausage, sourdough pancakes, juice, fruit, milk.

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Wednesday

Line dancing lessons

Thursday Homedale School District election

Noon to 8 p.m., COSSA Regional Technical Center supplemental levy election; vote at Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 16613 Garnet Road, Wilder; or district office, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

1 p.m. to 2 p.m., free, Homedale Senior Citizens

Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208)

Boardman-to-Hemingway public meeting4 p.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion

Senior citizens lunch

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

Cemetery district budget hearing

2 p.m., Owyhee Pioneer Cemetery District, 17082 Basey St., Murphy

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

Library district budget hearing 7 p.m. Bruneau Valley Library

7 p.m., Bruneau Valley Library District, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131

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.

Youth/teen group to start at Homedale Public Library

The Homedale Public Library will launch a new program at 7 p.m. Tuesday with a Youth/Teen

Boys and girls ages 11-17 are invited to visit the library for activities and snacks.

The first activity Monday will

be based on the "Twilight" book series by Stephanie Meyer. A movie, snacks, contests and prizes will be offered.

The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. For more information, call 337-4228 between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and ask for Sara.

Story time planned

Story time at Homedale library will feature, "Jake Baked The Cake" by B.G Hennessy at 10:15 a.m. Friday.

The bride's gown was made in town, the groom's pants arrived from France, the champagne came from Spain, while Jake baked the cake. As everyone in town gets ready for the big wedding, Jake the baker bakes a giant cake. As the bride walks down the aisle,

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Birthdays

Friends, family celebrate Mewhinney milestone

Friends and family of Elizabeth Mewhinney are invited to celebrate her 90th birthday at an open house hosted by her daughters on Sunday, Aug. 30, 2009, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 US Highway 95.

Her children include Donna and Glen Erickson and Shirley Mewhinney of Nampa, Judy and Butch Fox of Meridian, Bobbi Mewhinney of Florence, Ore., and Joan Mewhinney, who passed away in 2004. She has six grandchildren, seven great grandchildren and one greatgreat grandchild, with two more expected this year.

Elizabeth was born on Sept. 7, 1919, in New Meadows, where



she graduated from high school. She currently lives in Nampa but spent most of her adult life in Homedale, where she and her husband Bob farmed and raised their family.

Your presence and cards are welcome, but no gifts, please.

Former state representative marks 90th birthday Sept. 5

The children of Frances Field will host an open house to celebrate her 90th birthday on Saturday, Sept. 5, 2009.

The event will be held at the Grand View LDS Church on Idaho highway 78 in Grand View from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. A special program honoring her life will begin at 2 p.m. Birthday cake will be served after the program.

All of Frances' family and friends are invited to attend. No gifts please. Anyone wishing to share a special birthday wish may send them to 23605 Field Lane, Grand View, ID, 83624. Memories and wishes will be included in a special album commemorating the occasion.

Frances has resided in the Grand View farming community for more



than 60 years. She served this area as a state representative in the Idaho House of Representatives for 24 years. She and her late husband, Oscar, are the parents of eight children, 31 grandchildren and 69 great grandchildren.

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Jordan Valley opens city logo contest

The City of Jordan Valley has again launched a contest to come up with a city logo.

Entries must be received by Oct. 31, and prizes are available, according to the entry form provided by City Clerk Adele Payden. Residents and non-residents may submit entries.

The contest is open to any number of groups, including class projects, an adult/child entry, an adult entry, a child entry or a project among friends. More than one entry per person will be accepted, and the winner must give the city permission to use the logo on all official correspondence.

Submissions can be turned into Jordan Valley City Hall, P.O. Box 187, Jordan Valley, OR, 97910, or to a teacher or the Jordan Valley school office.

The logo must encompass the artist's interpretation of "Spirit of the City of Jordan Valley".

The logos will be judged by the city council, mayor and selected community members.

The city recorder will label each entry with a number so judging with be blind.

The entry form suggests prospective artists check out the Internet for ideas or look at banners on the city's light posts, but originality is stressed.

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CARL BENNETT, HOMEDALE Friends Church Pastor

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New Friends pastor getting taste of the West

Carl Bennett is a 20-year veteran pastor, but in July he entered a new world with new challenges and new things to see as he took over the helm at the Homedale Friends Community Church.

Bennett, wife Sheri and children Hannah, 14, and Ethan, 8, recently moved to the area from Indianapolis, Ind. While the regional names might differ by just a prefix — Midwest to West — the new lay of the land has surprised and impressed Bennett.

"The weather is a lot different," he said. People are the same wherever you go, he observed, but the weather is a big shift; also, interestingly, the economy.

"It's a lot different, it's not as bad here. It's all automotive industry back there," Bennett said.

The terrain was also an eyeopener, with the area's total dependence on water for irrigation and the vast variety of crops in the Treasure Valley. In the Midwest, Bennett said, you will see lots of crops, so long as you expect soybeans, corn or wheat.

Last week, friends took Bennett to Three Fingers, a wow-inducing spot for a man used to the flat expanse of the prairie states.

"The high spot in Indiana, it has a marker so you notice it," Bennett said with a smile. "It's about 1,400 feet."

He praised the warmth of his reception in Owyhee country, saying church members had been fantastic in their help with his family's 2,000-mile move, and the adventure of finding his first house. Up until his Homedale posting, Bennett had lived in church-owned houses, and getting his own digs was a new experience. Enrolling his children in school was also a challenge, he said, but one smoothed by the many Homedale elementary teachers who attend the Friends Church. Son Ethan's transition was smooth, but he smilingly admitted there'd been a bit of freshman trauma with his daughter Hannah's entry into a new high school.

"She is happy that in Idaho she can get her driver's license two years earlier," he said.

The road to becoming a pastor started in the office of Indiana congressman Jim Jontz, where Bennett was a caseworker dealing with constituent complaints and concerns. Liking the service aspect of the job, and helping people solve issues, led his feet into the path he has taken, he said. In his 20-year career he has served as pastor in Indiana and Bakersfield, Calif.

Becoming a pastor is one thing,

being a good one is another, and Bennett believes that the secret to the second lies in remembering whom you serve.

"You have to love people where they are," he said. "Not judge them. You try to be a guide. It's all about God and people, not programs or new buildings."

When not pondering finishing the construction of the Friends Church's new kitchen and offices, Bennett is an admitted sports fan, and follows his alma mater, Indiana University, every hoops season.

"I guess I have to get to like blue and orange a little bit," he admits.

He is also a writer, enjoying penning the occasional poem — the old-school sort that rhyme, he confirmed — and has also published pieces in periodicals.

While it's a big change for the Bennetts, moving far from their friends and family, the West does offer some unique opportunities in addition to sunny weather and picturesque landscapes: Last week, Bennett had a chance to experience a little cowboy culture, with a trip to see his very first evening of roping, riding and steer wrestling at the Caldwell Night Rodeo.

— MML



Above: Carl Bennett, in the nave of the Homedale Friends Community Church.

Book club forms at Marsing library

The Lizard Butte Library has begun a "Let's Talk About It" book club series. The first meeting is next month.

Library director Janna Streibel said the series will include a designated book followed by a gathering to discuss it. The club will meet on the second Monday of each month, taking December off. The free program is open to ages 16 and older, and all materials for the club can be picked up at the library, 111 3rd Ave. W., in Marsing.

Following the theme of the series, "American Characters", the first book to be read is The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark

Twain.

The book will be discussed at the club's first meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 14.

Streibel said a professor from a local college will lead the discussion and provide background on the book, the author and the time period. Essence of Life will provide a door prize, too.

"We decided to start this series because we do not have any programs for adults and we would like to begin offering some," Streibel said. "This is a great experience because of the scholar that comes to discuss the book."

For more information, call (208) 896-4690.

Planes, trains and automobiles



Bros opens hobby shop

RC racers, model builders and other hobbyists have an option to feed their recreational addiction at Bros Speedway and Hobby, now that Guy Davison has had his grand opening. The shop, located at Brothers Automotive at 120 N. Main in Homedale, carries models, rockets, RC cars and gear and other hobby supplies, which dovetail with Davison's neighboring RC track. The track began as something for the use of himself and his friends, but once it was in place, the chance to buy out the stock of the closing Joe's Hobby Barn in Nampa let him turn a hobby into a second business.

Opening a new business in the current economy might seem risky, but Davison has a theory.

"Everybody says I'm crazy to open it now," he said. "But everyone needs a hobby, and people can afford whatever they need to do that hobby."

The store and track are open whenever Davison is working or present; usually 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. nearly any day, he said.



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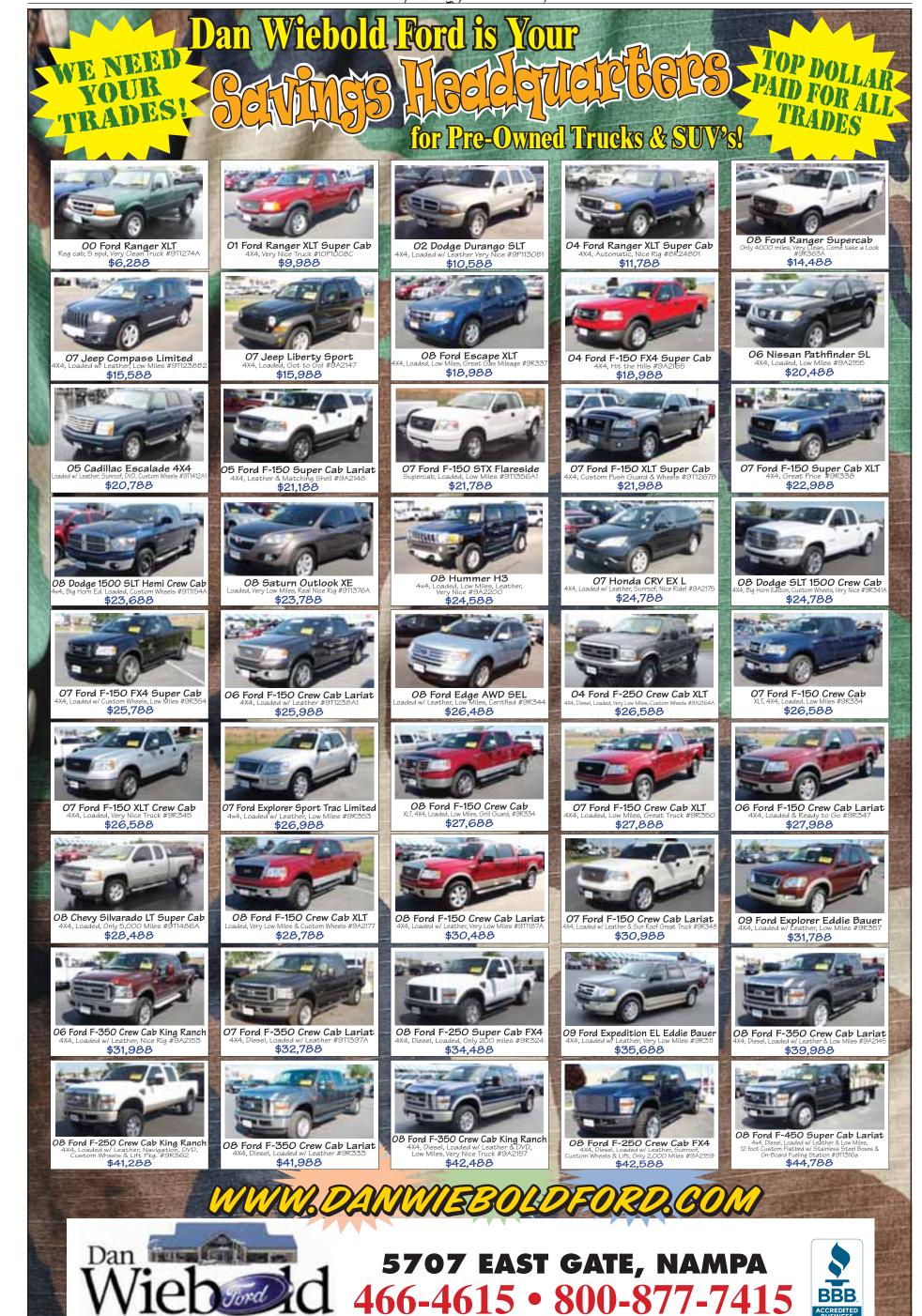
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How Owyhee's children fared on ISATs

AYP delights, frustrates local school superintendents

Homedale schools off improvement list; Grand View appeal denied

Half of Owyhee County schools evaluated on Adequate Yearly Progress made the grade during the 2008-09 school year, according to State Department of Education numbers.

Two of the three campuses in both the Homedale and Marsing school districts met the criteria established by the No Child Left Behind legislation, as did Pleasant Valley Elementary-Junior High School, which is a feeder school for Jordan Valley High School in Oregon.

AYP is determined by students' performances on the Idaho Standards Achievement Test (ISAT).

Homedale schools superintendent Tim Rosandick said that the elementary school and middle school reached goals that removed them from school improvement programs either entirely or in certain subjects.

"For a middle school to make AYP two years in a row is a remarkable achievement," Rosandick said. "Only about 33 percent of the identified middle schools in the state made AYP this year; HMS is one of only 13 middle schools in the state (70 middle schools statewide) that have a 'clean' AYP record — do not have alert or school improvement status.

"The middle school students, administration, teachers, and staff have a lot to be proud of. They're doing a great job."

Marsing Elementary and Marsing High schools met overall AYP standards last year, with the elementary continuing in the school improvement program for reading.

A school must meet AYP standards two years in a row in order to be removed from the school improvement program list.

Marsing Middle School didn't make AYP overall, missing goals in math proficiency in the overall category as well as for the Hispanic, LEP and Economically Disadvantaged subgroups. Other subgroups on which schools are judged include Students with Disabilities and subgroups drawn along racial/ethnic lines.

The middle school has been in the school

improvement program for several years.

Both district superintendent Harold Shockley and middle school principal Paul Webster are less concerned about winning the AYP race than improving the performance of each student on an individual basis.

"What I've focused on with (school administrators) is not so much on AYP, but what growth are we making, and as a parent that's more important to me," Shockley said.

To that end, MMS teachers helped students create individual goals. After spring ISATs, Webster said, each student who reached or exceeded his or her stated goal received a certificate of achievement that was posted in the halls. Some had performed well above their previous proficiency mark, some by as many as four grade levels.

"The kids were just amazed," Webster said. "... There were certificates everywhere. That was a celebration of individual growth."

None of the three schools in the Bruneau-Grand View School District met AYP standards, but superintendent Vickie Chandler stands by the work done by her district's teachers, and echoes Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho), who thinks changes must be made to the NCLB criteria.

"We have begged and begged for a growth model because, in my mind, No Child Left Behind was to show that we were showing improvement for each student," Chandler said. "I believe if they looked at students across the state, they would see great improvement (in Bruneau-Grand View student scores)."

She said the Department of Education denied an appeal by Grand View principal Gerald Chouinard, who tried to get AYP evaluators to take into consideration his students' improvements in other categories.

Statewide, 432 of 656 schools (66.3 percent) achieved AYP standards. Only 60 of the state's 132 school districts (45.5 percent) made AYP.

The proficiency thresholds in subjects (70 percent of students proficient in math, 78 percent in reading and language usage in 2008-09) increase to 80 in math and 85 in reading and language usage for 2009-10, Chandler said.

— JPB

Homedale

HHS one good year away from leaving improvement track

Two schools in the Homedale district have been removed from an improvement list triggered by insufficient Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) scoring.

A third, Homedale High School, can be removed from the improvement program with an adequate showing in this year's Idaho Standards Achievement Test. But proficiency qualifying marks rise this year in reading (70 percent of students proficient to 85 percent), mathematics (70 percent to 80 percent) and language usage (78 percent to 85 percent).

"As a district, we will continue to work on moving kids to an advanced level of performance, because we think being proficient is not good enough," Homedale superintendent Tim Rosandick said. "We did not see the kind of growth in this regard that we had hoped for, so we will be reworking our strategic plan."

The district's middle school and elementary school were removed from school improvement programs after making proficiency gains for a second consecutive year in targeted areas of study.

• Homedale Middle School reached all AYP targets for the second consecutive year, erasing its school improvement status. In math and reading proficiency, HMS students performed above the state average in nine of 10 student subgroups gauged by the Idaho Standards Achievement Test, Rosandick said.

• Homedale Elementary met Reading AYP targets for the second consecutive year and was removed from the improvement program.

"The elementary school made AYP last year, but this year missed it by a hair — if three more students had performed proficient on their math ISAT, the school would have made AYP two years in a row," Rosandick said. "Regardless, student performance at that school was so good that the elementary school no longer has alert or school improvement status — the first time since 2005."

Homedale High School reached AYP targets for the first time in five years, with students performing above the state average for Reading and Math. Even though HHS reached AYP targets in Math, it remains on the school improvement list. A school must reach AYP standards in two consecutive years in order to be removed from the list.

Homedale High can be removed from school improvement status by reaching its AYP targets in ISAT testing this school year, Rosandick said.

Several intervention programs were implemented to improve performance at the high school, including one-on-one tutoring and an after-school program. As a result, Rosandick said, HHS students are performing above the state average in reading and math.

District-wide, Homedale posted proficiency improvements in several areas, including:

• Reading — Overall (3.24 percent increase), Hispanic (8.97 percent) and Limited English Proficiency (LEP, 13.05 percent)

• Mathematics — Overall (1.53 percent) and all five student subgroups improved proficiency over 2008-09.

The district made AYP targets in reading and math for all students as well as subgroups such as Hispanic, White and Economically Disadvantaged.

Homedale School District missed AYP on reading and math for students with disabilities and math for LEP students.

— ЈРВ

Marsing

Staff takes it one student at a time

Harold Shockley doesn't read scoreboards. The Marsing School District superintendent judges the success of his students on a one-on-one basis.

"I don't think that the test scores really tell the picture," Shockley said of the latest Adequate Yearly Performance numbers from the state Department of Education.

Marsing teachers focus on the individual progress of each student, and Shockley said — unlike the No Child Left Behind policy of heaping attention on only the struggling students — the progress of every student in the school district is cherished.

"We are not focusing on just the kids on the bottom," Shockley said. ""We have an awful lot of kids at all three schools in the advanced category, and as we push those kids along, it's bringing the other kids along."

He said "great strides" have been made since the focus has broadened.

Marsing School District didn't make AYP in 2008-09 and will continue in improvement programs in math and reading. AYP stats also report that Marsing missed math proficiency overall as well as in subgroups such as Hispanic, Limited English Proficiency, Economically Disadvantaged and Students with Disabilities (SWD). Reading AYP for SWD also was missed.

Shockley and Marsing Middle School principal Paul Webster agree that missing AYP is frustrating — primarily because of the criteria set forth by NCLB — but the district continues to push for success for their students in the classroom, not just on the AYP spreadsheet.

Marsing Middle School missed overall AYP in 2008-09, while the elementary school and high school met the standards.

Perhaps showing the flaw in a system that rewards uniform progress rather than individual achievement, MMS made AYP with a 79.8 percent proficiency

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Bruneau-Grand View

District's students achieve higher scores

While none of the schools in the Bruneau-Grand View district achieved overall Adequate Yearly Performance for 2008-09, there were some bright spots:

• Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School met AYP goals in reading, while continuing in an math improvement program because of missed proficiency goals overall as well as in the White and Economically Disadvantaged subgroups.

• Bruneau Elementary School met its goal in the pre-determined third indicator — reducing the percentage of students scoring below "basic" in reading and math—but continued in an improvement program for reading and missed math proficiency AYP.

• Grand View Elementary met AYP in math with 79.66 percent of students showing proficiency (with a 70 percent requirement). The school is one year away from ending its school improvement program for reading after students reached AYP in that subject for 2008-09.

Chandler said the school didn't make AYP overall because the

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Small crowd hears **COSSA** levy spiel

Homedale votes on Thursday

Wise usage of taxpayer money and training resources were the top concerns brought forward during a sparsely attended regional technical center workshop Thursday in Homedale.

Superintendents from three of the five school districts in the Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency and other COSSA officials presented information on the proposed tech center for a group of five people at the agency's welding shop in Homedale.

On Tuesday, Marsing patrons voted on a two-year supplemental levy to finance part of the construction project. Homedale patrons go to the polls Thursday between noon and 8 p.m. to vote on a \$520,000 two-year levy.

Officials say the five school districts will be responsible for 40 percent of the total cost or about \$2 million. The rest could be financed by a \$2.5 million federal grant and \$500,000 of in-kind donations, but COSSA director Mark Cotner hasn't received final word on whether the grant has been awarded. Homedale schools superintendent Tim Rosandick has said officials are "90 percent sure" that the government will pick this project for stimulus funds.

Steve Lejardi questioned whether a levy to fund the COSSA project was the best thing to do because he's concerned Homedale could need its own supplemental levy to operate after drawing down cash reserves by nearly 50 percent last year.

"This (levy) is the first animal you might be looking at," he said.

"You want to pick and choose because you can't fund them all."

Rosandick said no supplemental levy is on the horizon.

Education officials insist the plan was too good to pass up because of the federal government and local business picking up 60 percent of the tab. All COSSA programs —except the autodiesel instruction now housed in Homedale and special education classes throughout the district would be moved to the new technical center planned for a 17-acre site on Penny Lane in Wilder.

Rosandick led the presentation, with input from Cotner, Marsing superintendent Harold Shockley, Notus superintendent Jim Doramus and COSSA welding instructor Mark Bauer.

In addition to Lejardi, fellow Homedale residents Shalla and Paddy Doyle and Shane Brown, and Marsing's Sharon McIlveen turned out to get information.

Paddy Doyle wants to make sure educational services are used to their full potential, including keeping COSSA open year-round.

"I see a need, but I think this is a really tough time to do it," Doyle said, alluding to the current economic situation.

Rosandick said the center will be open six days a week from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., offering inexpensive college credit for high school students as well as space for College of Western Idaho students. Antiquated Centerpoint Alternative Jr.-Sr. High School will move to the 55,000-plus square-foot facility as will other courses spread throughout the five-district area, officials said, shrinking districts' transportation budgets.



While parking, the driver of a late-model Dodge pickup rolled over the curb and impacted the front of the Homedale Drug Store on Monday morning. A plate-glass window was broken, and the right front fender and lower grill of the truck were damaged. No one was injured.

Law enforcement briefs

Homedale Police Department

With the exception of a Monday morning low-speed vehicle/building collision on North Main Street that shattered one of Homedale Drug's front windows — injuring no one — the city had a relatively quiet week, according to logs.

Landen Dorman, 33, of Wilder, was arrested for drunk driving Aug. 16 on East Montana Avenue.

An ATV accident occurred near Silver City on Aug. 16. The unidentified rider suffered a broken collarbone, Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall said, and was evacuated by air ambulance.

The accident occurred 12 miles from the nearest road, he added.

A home burglary was reported

on Graveyard Point Road outside Homedale on Aug. 18. A 40-inch flat-screen TV and other items were taken, and the theft is under investigation, Crandall said.

Slow down at schools

Crandall reminded drivers that deputies will be keeping an eye out for speeders in school zones now that school is in session.

Bowling alley plans community youth event

The second annual Bowling Blast Off, free to children 8 and younger, will be held from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday at Owyhee Lanes on North First Street West. Co-owner Donna Marose said the United States Bowling Congress has endorsed the event as part of National Bowling Week.

There will be free bowling with instruction, Astro-Jump, refreshments, face painting and balloons.

The Homedale Police Department fingerprint children with parental consent. Parents can retain the fingerprint cards, which collect vital information and

prints, for an identification record in the case of a missing child. The police do not retain the records.

Children will tour a Homedale Fire Department truck, and the Wilder Police Department also will bring its K-9 unit, Marose said.

She also said that volunteers will have information on youth bowling leagues.

The event is put on with support from the Homedale School District, Homedale Youth League, Sysco Foods, Key Bank and Pepsi as well as the Homedale fire and police departments.

$\sqrt{\text{Marsing:}}$ Intervention programs abound throughout district's schools

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rating in reading (the AYP pass line is 70 percent), while Webster pointed out that 79 of 223 children (35.4 percent) were reading above their grade level.

"We're close enough to meet AYP, and I'm not satisfied with that because we need more kids to read, write and do math," Webster

said. "It's bigger than playing the AYP games."

Steps are being taken to improve students' performance throughout the district:

• Webster has instituted a remediation plan in an attempt to end the school improvement programs under which the school has operated for years. Non-proficient students can take intervention classes for math and literacy, gaining two extra school-year quarters to focus on deficiencies.

• The middle school's afterschool program starts next month with room for about 40 students, and the plan is to improve their proficiency through enrichment projects as well as academic tutor-

ing. Webster said 4-H programs offering video editing, robotics and photography can help with reading skills because each student will read to learn about the activity that interests them.

 The high school uses what Shockley calls prescriptive intervention. Idaho Student Achievement Test scores are analyzed, and

targeted assistance is administered to the test subgroups.

• All elementary students are assessed individually and intervention is assigned to get any of the students — regardless of their proficiency — to a higher learning level.

— JPB

Bruneau-GV: Superintendent says test scores don't reflect progress

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pre-determined third indicator wasn't met. Chandler explained that each district in the state selects the third indicator a year in advance.

She also said another criteria that could have been a third indicator if selected in time — language usage — was an area where students showed improvement.

Chandler said teachers at Grand View might feel like they've been "kicked in the stomach" because state standards say their students didn't make overall AYP while those same kids were proficient in language usage, a claim, Chandler said, only a few schools in the state can make.

"It's a frustration of ours because Grand View Elementary has done an excellent job." Chandler said. "They have been looking at data and looking for ways to improve."

Chandler said that there are several programs in place throughout the district to help children become proficient. Among more than a dozen initiatives are:

• Spending extra Title 1 funds allocated through the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act to retain classroom paraprofessionals who would have been laid off because of budgetary concerns.

• A paraprofessional at Rimrock to help with the Idaho Standards Achievement Test (ISAT) preparation and remediation. Students also can work from home because of the Idaho Digital Learning Academy.

• The high school has extended learning in reading and math,

Chandler said. Students are put into this program based on what subjects their ISAT scores say they need help in, she said.

• Extended day learning one hour after school four days at week at both elementary schools. There are small reading groups at the school, too, to help students achieve reading levels.

 A district Gifted and Talented instructor who focuses on students who need more challenging work, allowing classroom teachers time with students who are at grade level or require remediation.

• A reading fluency specialist to help kindergarteners through third-graders achieve Idaho Reading Indicator expectations.

• A high school paraprofessional providing help on math. This person rides the bus to and from school and is available during advisory period, offering extra time to tutor.

"We are trying from the minute they leave for school to when they get home to provide them resources for (improvement)," Chandler said.

— JPB

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Can Trojans' camp-out create a breakout season?

New coach hails bonding at EOU camp as Melba opener looms

Football fans will find out Friday what new Homedale High School coach Matt Holtry did on his summer vacation and what impact it will have on the Trojans program.

New schemes on offense and defense will be unveiled in the 2009 road opener against Melba (7 p.m., Friday), and Holtry says he's pleased with the way his new charges have picked up on things, with help from a trip to the Eastern Oregon University football camp.

"They've really done a good job," Holtry said of the athletes' learning curve. "And the team camp this summer was huge."

The coach said it went a long way toward achieving the clean slate he wants to carry into his first season as a head coach, one that follows a bitter divorce between fans and former coach Rob Kassebaum.

Holtry said 33 players attended the camp — only 17 fewer than have come out for preseason football practices.

And, he said, the camp was a big bonding tool for the players and his coaching staff.

"That made a big difference for us because it gave kids a chance to get away from family and friends and get away from kind of that negative feeling and kind of be on our own and let us teach them and get that new offense and the new defense installed."

Returning senior quarterback Ryan Ryska will run a spread offense with top weapon and fellow senior Trent Acree playing, well, let Coach Holtry make Acree's assignment: "He's going to be playing wherever we need him to play," Holtry said. "He's our utility guy, you can say."

With Ryska piloting an offense that could break into an option at any moment, Acree could line up in the backfield or in the slot or at wideout.

Holtry has tabbed sophomore Trey Corta as another impact player this year. Corta burst on the scene with his defensive play last year, and his new coach has high praise for him.

"He's playing both ways for us, and he's going to be that surprise athlete for the (3A Snake River Valley) conference, not just on our team, but in the conference," Holtry said. "He's a talented young man."

Corta is listed as a wide receiver and a defensive back.

Corta made his mark on defense last year, and he'll have plenty of company this season in Holtry's 3-5-3 setup along with linebackers like senior Alex Mereness and sophomore Bodie Hyer and defensive lineman/linebacker Dylan Kushlan.

Friday night, though, the Trojans will see something familiar—a Melba squad that leans on the veer option and a bull of a fullback named Blake Love, who ran for 153 yards and two touchdowns in the Mustangs' victory last September.

As defensive coordinator, Holtry comes up with schemes that could keep a bigger opponent off-balance.

"The different looks that we're able to bring out of our 3-5-3 is what's beneficial to us," he said. "We're not going to sit back in a base defense and let the offense know what they're going to see every play. Every play is going to be something new."

Holtry says the spread offense devised by coordinator Erik John-

son can combat any size advantage an opposing defense might possess.

"With the spread offense, as long as we have somebody who is physical and has that attacking mentality on the offensive line, we don't have to have a 6-2, 270-pound offensive lineman," Holtry said. "We need someone who is going to get off the ball, go hard and get in someone's way, and we'll be fine."

Still, just for good measure, Holtry says the Trojans do have some beef up front.

And, to a man, the Trojans are ready to get off the ball and hit somebody.

"The community's been excited, the kids have been excited, the coaches are excited," the coach said. "And now we just want to get out on the field and kind of put our product out here and see what we can do against an opponent."

— JPB



Volleyballers get back in the groove

The Husky team works out early season drills in preparation for this week's action. Almost 40 girls turned out for the team this year, Marsing head coach Loma Bittick said.

Volleyball season tipoff previews will be featured next week. Early action this week sees Marsing at the Kuna Tourney on Friday and Saturday, before hosting Gem State Adventist next Wednesday. Homedale was scheduled for the Melba Jamboree on Tuesday, after press time, and will next face two teams on the road: New Plymouth on Thursday and Parma on Tuesday. Varsity game-times will be at 7 p.m.

New Husky AD brings experience, awards to post

Tim Little will be the man in the hot seat for Marsing sports starting this fall, as the new athletic director for the Huskies.

He brings years of prep sports experience to the table, having coached high school boys' basketball since 1995. He was most recently head coach at Sweet Home High School, an Oregon 4A school, from 2003 to 2008 in a very successful run. "We qualified for the state tournament four out of five years and won the Val-Co league twice," he wrote in an e-mail to The Owyhee Avalanche.

He also served as the hoops associate head coach in Sweet Home from 1998 to 2002, and received conference coach of the year awards in both 2007 and 2008, as well as being nominated for 4A coach of the year in both those years.

He has also worked as an assistant coach in track, football and cross country. He will coach the girls basketball team

for Marsing, replacing Gloria King, and teaches health, physical education and weight training.

Looking ahead to this winter, Little sees positives for the girls' hoopsters.

"I was able to coach and meet the girls' basketball program this summer, where we had a lot of success and look forward to a competitive basketball season," he said.

Little is a 1992 Kuna High School graduate, and attended Blue Mountain Community College and Eastern Oregon University. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in health and PE in 1997 before moving to Sweet Home. He then attended graduate school at Western Oregon University and received his Masters degree in health education.

Little is married, with two children—a daughter, age 3, and a son, age 1.

When not coaching, he enjoys bird hunting, biking, camping and being outdoors.

Marsing football gets new start, new coach, new plan

The Marsing High School football players are suiting up despite the heat and practicing hard, while new head coach Scott Bryant looks ahead to a rough-and-tumble 2A Western Idaho Conference season against strong teams

The Huskies will be winnowing down to starters from a group of athletes that had stayed in the mid-40s since practice began on Aug. 14, Bryant said.

Among the 40-plus are six starters from last year on offense

and on defense, he said. Familiar names to keep an eye on this season include last year's all-league offensive and defensive player Ty Shippy, along with Ethan Salove in both tight end and linebacker roles and Joey Burril at quarterback and defensive end.

The program started early this year, with players attending a weekend football camp in Parma in mid-July. The preparation should come in handy in a league that showed its strength last season.

"Every team in our league is a concern," Bryant said of the coming season. "We had three teams make the (state) semifinals a year ago, and Parma won it all. If you do not show up ready to play, you are not going to fare to well in the WIC.

Marsing went 1-5 in league/ postseason play last year, only beating Cole Valley, and 2-7 overall, adding a preseason win versus the Elgin Huskies.

Marsing football will open its season with a home game Sept. 4,

hosting Elgin, Ore. They'll then hit the road, playing at Payette on Sept. 11, Glenns Ferry in American Falls the following week, and will meet New Plymouth in the Pilgrims' house on the Sept. 25. In October, the Huskies will host Nampa Christian for homecoming on Oct. 2, travel to Melba on the Oct. 9 to open 2A WIC campaign, and host Parma on Oct. 25.

With the cancellation of Cole Valley's season, Marsing will have a bye the week before facing the Panthers.

As to what Marsing boosters will see on the field this year, Bryant promised a gutsy team.

"The type of team fans will get to see this year is a team that, regardless of the score, will play hard and never give up," he said. "It is so important to have a positive attitude, which leads to respect and success, and that is what I look for in my team.

"I am excited about leading the Marsing Huskies football program for the upcoming season."

— MML

Sports

Excitement builds for veteran Raiders football coach

Clark expects team to stay near top in 1A, Div. I league play

Rimrock High School as the mosttenured football coach in Owyhee County. And, with a bumper crop of 12th-graders suiting up, he's not the only one with seniority for the Raiders this year.

Clark sees strength in the presence of at least six upperclassmen on a roster of 20 athletes. On the flip side, he's waging the perpetual struggle against inexperience with more freshmen on the roster than any other grade level

But, even with the loss of three seniors — including two starters from last year's 5-4 season — to transfer, the coach figures the Raiders will be in the hunt for the

Jim Clark enters his fifth year at 1A, Div. I championship again this year.

> "We should be in the top half of the league," he said. "I'm very excited to see where the Raiders end up.

> "The league is very good with most teams having a shot at the top spots. Anyone could win this year."

> Clark and first-year assistant coach Chance Skerjance should get a good indication of where their players are at this point in the season when they open up Friday on the road against perennial power Garden Valley.

> The Wolverines, who reached the 1A, Div. II state semifinals

Raiders. The teams have played every year since 2004, and Garden Valley has given up only 61 points in five games.

But, the Raiders lost by just two touchdowns, 32-18, in 2008 after being outscored on average, 58-11, in the first four tilts.

Rimrock begins the season with a new quarterback with the graduation of TJ Snyder, who starred as a signal-caller and a linebacker before moving on to the University of Montana Western.

Clay Cantrell, a 5-foot-11, 155-pound sophomore, has been tabbed as the quarterback this season. Clark says Cantrell will be an impact player in an offense that the coach insists will be exciting.

While Snyder, tight end-defensive end Sam Richardson and center-defensive end Alex

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last season, have never lost to the Meyers all have departed the team through graduation, Clark is welcoming back explosive runner Ricardo Araujo for his senior season.

> "He has the speed and the ability to change a game," Clark said of the 5-10, 165-pound team captain.

> Tight end Billy Smith, who at 6-3 will bring some height to the passing game, according to Clark, is the other team captain. The senior also will play defensive end.

> The 190-pound Smith is one of the smallest athletes on an experienced defensive line. Seniors Jeremy Pineda (6-1, 265) and Allie Pennington (6-2, 230) are destined to plug holes for the Raiders, their coach said. Both will open holes for Araujo as offensive linemen, too.

Senior defensive back Brian

Simper (5-11, 160) is the third team captain, and Clark says he possesses outstanding pass coverage skills.

The other key senior is 5-11, 195-pound Stetson Dick, who will take over as defensive leader from Snyder and also provide protection as an offensive lineman. "He does not miss tackles," Clark warns.

Joining Cantrell on the list of key newcomers are Francisco Garcia and Nate Black, both of whom will see time at running back and as linebackers.

A junior, Garcia stands 5-9, and weighs 155 pounds.

"He will give the team depth and has the ability to do multiple things," Clark said.

The coach calls Black, a 5-10, 180-pound sophomore, "young but very dedicated and athletic."

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Young Owyheeans win at junior CNR

Three cowboys from Owyhee country made names for themselves during Caldwell Night Rodeo action last week.

In the Junior Night Rodeo, Adrian's Tyler Reay — son of Brenda and Mike Reay — paired with Jeff Flenniken for an easy team roping win. The duo's time of 10.95 seconds was more than three times better than the second-place team.

Homedale's Lawsen Matteson won the boys' flag race in a time of 10.818. His parents are Mike and Sheila Matteson.

In the CNR, Adrian's Noah Bayes tied for sixth in Saturday's bareback bronc finals with a score of 83.





Varsity Friday, Sept. 4, home vs. Elgin, Ore., 7 p.m. Junior varsity

Friday, Sept. 4, home vs. Elgin, Ore., 4 p.m.



Varsity

Friday, Aug. 28, at Kuna tournament at NNU, Nampa, 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, at Kuna tournament at NNU, Nampa, 9 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2, home vs. Gem State Adventist, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity

Wednesday, Sept. 2, home vs. Gem State Adventist, 6 p.m.





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Those of you who watch television appreciate the increasing presence of "hard-sell, direct-buy" commercials on the cable and satellite networks. The pitch involves an inventive but cheaply produced product like squeegees, stick-on light bulbs, sunglasses, vegetable choppers, political promises and collision chasing lawyers.

"Only \$19.95! It will peel grapes, oranges, window trim, excess hair, heel scurf and tar off sidewalks ... etc, etc, etc!"

The ad companies are always on the lookout for new inventions they can market for millions. On a trip to Cedarville a while back, Rachael and James told me a story, and I immediately recognized its mass-market advertising potential.

It seems Uncle Jack had diagnosed bilateral pink eye in one of his black angus bulls. (Note: before you say anything, I observed that I had rarely seen pink eye in black bulls, but Rachael stuck to her guns so I didn't quibble.) Uncle Jack decided to treat it with a big shot of LA 200. The bull was difficult to push, much less get into the corral so Uncle Jack figgered they could drive up next to him and administer the dose freehand. They tried, but the bull was too skittish.

What to do? What to do? Just as fear is the father of fence chargers and whacking your thumb is the stepfather of cussing, so is necessity the mother of invention. Uncle Jack set about constructing the Plastic Syringe Injection Extender or PSIE. He used a 35cc plastic disposable syringe, four feet of 1½-inch PVC pipe, four feet, six inches of 1-inch PVC pipe, and duct tape. He taped the big PVC to the syringe, then inserted the 1-inch PVC inside the larger to act as a plunger! Voila!

He practiced on apples, Styrofoam, a roasted chicken, an old car seat and his late grandfather's prosthesis. (Note: you can almost see the carnival barker demonstrating this PSIE on sliced cantaloupe or an anesthetized polar bear!)

For the maiden run, they took the pickup. Rachael was driving, and James was coaching as Uncle Jack leaned out of the pickup bed shouting directions, "Closer! Too fast! Drop back! Hard right! Go now!"

With the coolness of Captain Ahab harpooning a white whale, Jack drove home his PSIE javelin! With the quickness of a maddened rhino, the blind bull pivoted perpendicular to the pickup, tore off the side mirror and jerked Uncle Jack overboard!

EPILOGUE: "Gosh," I asked James, "Was the mirror the only thing he broke?"

"No," said James, "but that was the one we fixed!"

— 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".

Michael Lane, reporter

Eyes on Owyhee Gateway power line process needs open lines of communication

Tonight's public meeting for Idaho Power's Boardman-to-Hemingway (B2H) line routing process in Marsing promises to involve most, if not all, players in the project in dialogue. The status of information on the Gateway West project is less well defined, according to Owyhee County District I Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, and backed up by county planning and zoning administrator Mary Huff, though the pair differ in the details as to why this is.

That difference of opinion is indicative of the as-yet unaddressed problem at the heart of all Gateway West discussion — lack of a coherent input and information system.

That, and a lack of time. As of this week, the board of county commissioners dispatched a letter asking for a 30-day extension of the Bureau of Land Management draft Environmental Impact Statement due from Wyoming-based project manager Walt George. The added time would allow the county to have the time needed for public meetings, Hoagland said, to ensure that new problems won't arise as landowners, government agencies, power companies and wildlife foundations all jockey for position.

While B2H Public Advisory Teams (PATs) have given an organized framework which allows Bureau of Land Management, Idaho Power, citizen and government representatives a forum in which to examine, request and exchange views, Gateway West, so far, lacks a similar system of organization to help ensure information is exchanged accurately. Perhaps that lack grew from the quiet start of Gateway West — after

all, the project was nearly a year old before public concern forced it into discussion, unlike B2H, which engendered immediate concern.

That lack of a communicative cooperative might be why, at present, Air Force input on the Gateway West project varies in accordance with who is spoken with.

Hoagland, who has attended locally organized meetings of south county landowners and citizens who are hoping to submit alternate routes for Gateway West that will have lessened impacts on private property — as well as aligning with planned routes in neighboring counties — has been left feeling that the Air Force has not been plugged into the process.

"(Discussing siting with the) Air Force is the last bit," Hoagland said Friday. The citizens group has sought the input of the Air Force, but has not seen any direct involvement or statements yet, he said. "They're not very involved."

That may change with a letter that was to have been sent to the committee this week, which Hoagland has yet to see. In any case, that the commissioner is still unsure of the Air Force's opinion on the line at this date indicates a fragmenting of efforts that need to unite to ensure across-the-board input on the siting of the power line. That Hoagland, or committee head Frank Bachman, hasn't had any face time with the military is bothersome.

Huff's take on the Air Force involvement is far differ-

— See **Gateway**, page 17

Wayne Cornell

Not important ...

but possibly of interest

The Woodstock fairy tale

Forty years ago a bunch of young people gathered in a muddy field near the village of Woodstock, N.Y., for a rock concert. It rained throughout the festival, which lasted several days, but no one seemed to care.

Over the years, the media has built up Woodstock into a near-religious experience. Official reports put the number of people attending the 1969 event at about 400,000. But today there probably are three times that number of folks telling their grandchildren about the great time they had at Woodstock.

Recently, as the anniversary of the event approached, the network news and newspaper feature writers took it to an entirely new level. Reporters who weren't even born at the time of Woodstock, ran around interviewing old Hippies who claim the event defined a generation and changed America.

I'm gonna have to call Bull S--- on that idea.

The other day I was discussing all the hoopla about the Woodstock anniversary with Carl, my brother-in-law.

"I remember someone asking me if I was going to go to Woodstock," Carl said. "I said 'no' — I had to go to work"

In August 1969, Sara, my new partner in life, was working full time and going to college full time. As a newspaper reporter, I was putting in 50- to 60-hour weeks, while attending National Guard training two weekends a month from Friday evening until Sunday night. Sara and I were lucky to get an entire evening together. Everyone we knew was pretty much in the same boat.

The reporters who carry on about Woodstock being a landmark event in the history of modern man, neglect to mention that for every Flower Child who got drunk, smoked dope and dropped acid, there were hundreds of people from that same generation who, like Carl, his sister and yours truly, "had to work." We didn't have the time, the resources or the inclination to get naked in a muddy field in New York state. And I don't remember ever hearing anyone from our group bemoaning the fact that we didn't go.

Woodstock changed the world? Within a decade a number of the musicians who performed there were dead from drug-related causes and more than a few members of the crowd probably suffered the same fate. Within a few years, bell bottom pants, shirts with puffy sleeves, platform shoes, disco and self-indulgence had replaced acid rock, tied-dyed shirts, sandals and love beads. Most of the remaining Woodstock survivors woke up to the realization that it was time to do something constructive with their lives.

One writer, with a better perspective than most of those raving about the legacy of Woodstock, observed that the main thing the event did was make the participants feel they were doing something useful by partying. In reality, the event did nothing useful for society except provide an anniversary for the media to celebrate every 10 years. I once saw a bumper sticker that summed things up. It stated, "You play your guitar. The rest of us will try to save the world."

The young people of today need to know that 40 years ago — while the Woodstock Hippies were taking trips without leaving the farm — the vast majority of Americans in that age group were busy in the real world — serving in the military, going to school, learning trades and starting families. Maybe they didn't actually save the world, but they contributed a lot more to this country than the Woodstock multitudes.

— 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.



Commentary

Financial management

There is a way to stop unsolicited credit card offers

Dear Dave,

I noticed recently that there have been several instances of companies asking for copies of my credit report. I've not done any business with these companies, and was under the impression they could only do things like this if you were trying to open an account with them.

Lynn

Dear Lynn,

According to the guidelines of the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act, anyone with a valid business reason can check your report with or without your permission. It's not unusual today for employment applications to state that the company you're interviewing with can even pull a copy of your



credit report to use as part of their employee screening process.

If you haven't been job hunting or applying for credit cards lately, it sounds to me like you've been hit with a load of marketing inquiries. Like most folks around the country, your mailbox is probably full of unsolicited credit card and home equity loan offers. The good news is that you can contact your bureau, and request a block for unsolicited marketing inquiries. This will help prevent companies from crawling through for \$200,000. In that scenario, your bureau for the sole purpose of offering you stuff you didn't

— Dave

Dear Dave,

What goes on behind the scenes with a short sale? We're trying to buy a house that way, but it seems like it's taking forever.

Jennifer

Dear Jennifer,

A short sale, of course, is when a mortgage lien holder sells a house short of what it takes to pay off the mortgage, but gives a full release and delivers a clear title to the purchaser anyway.

Let's say you want to buy a house with a \$250,000 mortgage the lien holder will be taking a \$50,000 hit, so it has to be convinced that this is as much as they'll be able to get for that particular house.

The lien holder will do what is called "due diligence." It will order inspections and appraisals, and maybe even collect comparables — statistics and documentation on how well homes in that area are selling, and at what price range. That kind of stuff takes time.

The main thing working against you right now, though, is that while the number of short sales has risen dramatically, the number of people handling these transactions has not. Many lien holders are simply overwhelmed and

understaffed, and some of the folks they have handling these deals are not exactly experts when it comes to short sales. Hang in there, Jennifer. This could work out really well!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is the bestselling author of The Total Money Makeover. He also is the host of The Dave Ramsey Show that airs at 6 p.m. daily on the Fox Business Channel. 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.

Letters to the editor

Tech center, LID projects vital to Homedale's growth

Benjamin Franklin once said, "When you're finished changing, you're finished." COSSA's proposed Regional Technology Center and Homedale's proposed Downtown Local Improvement District are two projects that will provide the type of economic change needed to help our community not only survive, but thrive in the years to come. As a local business owner, I became president of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce three years ago to help initiate and support projects such as these.

The COSSA program is a tremendous asset to our community with far-reaching economic benefits for students and employers. The timing to pass this levy couldn't be better, with potential grant dollars and in-kind donations covering well over half the project's cost. This translates into pennies per day for the taxpayers in the Homedale School District over a two-year period. A yes vote on this

levy is a no-brainer, considering the economic impact the program has on our community.

The city's LID project is equally timely. After receiving over \$400,000 in grant funds earlier this summer, property owners within the LID are only being asked to come up with half the project's cost for much needed sidewalk upgrades and street lights in downtown Homedale. These infrastructure improvements are critical to drive commerce in the downtown area.

I can't say I'm a fan of taxes, but these projects are both examples of tax revenue flowing back into our community to give us an immediate economic benefit if we act now. It seems foolish to me not to leverage these dollars to make both projects a reality. As a community member with a vested interest in Homedale's success, these types of projects are needed to help spur positive economic change. Personally, I don't want Homedale to be "finished." I want this to be the beginning for our great community.

Gavin Parker

Homedale Chamber of Commerce president

For the rewards, COSSA levy is bargain even in tough times

This is to support the COSSA levy that Homedale School District puts before voters Thursday. I know we are in hard economic times, but the positives of this levy are too good

The Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency gives services in Professional Technical Education (CNA, medical record/health information technology, automated industrial engineering, building trades, industrial welding, advance business technology, and automotive and diesel technology). Last year, 231 college credits were earned in PTE classes.

COSSA also serves five school districts — Homedale, Marsing, Wilder, Parma and Notus — with Special Education, Gifted and Talented and Centerpoint Alternative Junior/ Senior High School.

The plan is to build a COSSA Regional Technology Center to house Centerpoint, COSSA offices (now in Greenleaf) and all PTE classes except Auto and Diesel. The new building will provide space for movement at a later date. There are many benefits to be gained from consolidating all programs at one site.

The location of the new technology center is a 17-acre site north of Wilder High School and is part of an economic development corridor that qualifies for a \$2.5 million federal stimulus grant. COSSA supporter R&M Steel of Caldwell will donate the steel structure and steel outer covering for the building, saving \$400,000. Wilder School District is providing the land, which saves another \$100,000. The net cost to the five school districts is \$2 million.

Homedale School District's share is \$520,000. The plan is to pass a two-year levy costing about \$100 per \$100,000 of taxable property value. Never will we get the chance to have the federal government and generous donors pay 60 percent of the cost of a new building. Never in the history of Homedale have we paid off a new school in two years. This is a bargain even in tough times.

Nolan Taggart Homedale

Gateway: Confusion arises in info vacuum

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ent. She has been in contact with Air Force representative Byron Schmidt.

"They're very engaged," she said, in contrast. At a joint land use study session last week, Huff spoke with Schmidt, and found that the Air Force was adamant in their position that no lines could be routed south of Saylor Creek, in a flyway that the Air Force uses for planes flying as low as 100 feet, or lower. The project's steel towers would be 150 to 190 feet tall.

"They've done their thing," she said of the Air Force planners.

"It's (lack of information is) a problem with all these small teams," she said. She lauded the effort and hours each group has spent in working on the issue, but is worried that the lack of a unified system of communication between all parties may be allowing the clock to tick.

"Good efforts are being made," Huff said, "but the public needs to see what is being proposed and have some comments on it ... people want to see the alternates."

With many rightfully interested groups working without the PAT framework available for the B2H line, Gateway West information is, in comparison, difficult to obtain, she said. While Idaho Power has answered her requests for maps and information in a timely manner, she pointed out that she had taken down early alternate route maps at her office.

"I have people coming in and asking questions," she said, "but I've taken down my maps, because I'm not sure they're up to date."

An Air Force representative who declined to be named confirmed that a proposed alternate route in the Saylor Creek area had been an issue, as it was a D-class flyway, which specified clearance to ground level, and that safety concerns made lines in the vicinity impossible.

This would obviously have been useful information to planners during the design of alternate routes, had the information been available to them.

The source also said that, while the Air Force had been in constant contact with route engineers and planners with TetraTech — the firm contracted for planning by Idaho Power — there were so many groups involved in the routing process that information exchanges were difficult. Unofficially, the source wondered if some centralization of an information exchange should be in the bailiwick of the BLM, as it was doing the EIS for the line.

Getting up-to-date information from all involved might help everyone involved find a way to make the Gateway West route a reality, instead of a foggy collection of concerns and partial information. Things need to be done, lines plotted, and a huge number of interested parties, including the Air Force, Owyhee County, landowners, the Birds of Prey national conservation area, Owyhee Front supporters, Idaho Power, the BLM, the EPA, NRCS, WECC and so on and so forth, will all want to have their say.

The worry is that — even as the Owyhee County Gateway West committee strives to put the finishing touches on its recommendations and collects information from neighboring counties — there may no longer be the time to do so.

Letters policy

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.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

August 29, 1984

6th grade

Arlene Eidemiller will replace Mr. Reed as a sixth grade teacher in the Homedale Elementary school this year.

Mrs. Eidemiller is a graduate of the University of Idaho and taught the first grade in Lakeland School District north of Coeur d'Alene.

Married to Clifford Eidemiller, owner and operator of Fargo Dairy north of Homedale, the couple has lived in Homedale for ten years and will have three children attending the Homedale grade schools this year. Mr. Eidemiller was raised in Homedale and attended school here through high school, also completing his education at the U of I.

Employed as a substitute teacher for Homedale grade schools last year. Mrs. Eidemiller served as a replacement in every level but the first grade. Prior to substitute teaching, she co-managed the Busy Bee Pre-school in Homedale for five years.

HHS class of '64 gathers for reunion

Homedale High school class of 1964 gathered Saturday night, Aug. 18, in the Owyhee Lanes banquet room with 37 class members, spouses and guests present. Bill Cegnar, senior class president, and Master of Ceremonies, led the evening of reminiscing as everyone caught up on happenings since the five-year reunion.

The class gave out awards to different class members. Traveling the farthest was Carolyn Schlegel Morris from Anchorage, Alaska. Roland Thatcher, Riverton, Utah, was the front runner for most children with six. The grayest hair award went to Ray Thompson, Hermiston, Ore., and he and Linda Tucker Thompson also got the award for being married longest. The baldest head award went to Ken Stansell, Holquium, Wash. The most eligible awards went to Ruth Van Slyke, Lewiston, and long-time friend, former teacher, and Principal Clare Walker, special guest teachers, chose the awards for people who changed most and changed least. Those who changed the least were Ray Dewey, Gresham, Ore., and Darlene Byington Stattner. Those who changed the most were Joan Kinder Kaufman and Roland Thatcher. Connie Mills Bevan also received recognition for having the most grandchildren.

Special recognition was paid to Nancy Echeverria Belknap for helping organize the reunion, Vicki Siebert Meyer, Provo Utah, for a photo board, and Joan Kaufman for a class memory book.

On Sunday, a family potluck picnic was held at the park, followed by an afternoon of volleyball. A challenge match of volleyball was played with the Class of '79 who were also meeting in the park.

Other out of town classmates attending the reunions were Pat Larzelier, Seattle, Wash., and Georgia Kolsky Bautenheimer, Arlington, Wash. Mrs. Helen Butler Webb, a former teacher, also attended the Sunday picnic.

HHS cheerleaders attend state camp

Ten Homedale cheerleaders from both Varsity and JV attended a state cheerleading camp at Idaho State University in Pocatello July 23-26. The camp was sponsored by the National Cheerleaders Association and offered instruction covering various aspects of cheerleading. Competitions were also staged, both individually and between participating high schools throughout the state.

The Homedale girls ranked high in the over-all competition and were recipients of a coveted "Spirit Stick" award for their performances.

Achieving individual recognition for outstanding cheerleading ability was Christie Bautista of Homedale. As a finalist, she was invited to attend the Hula Bowl in Hawaii where finalist high school cheerleaders from all over the nation will lead in cheers for the college all-star game.

Homedale girls attending the camp at Pocatello were: Varsity Cheerleaders – Christie Bautista, Janice King, Tabby Reinhold and Christie Schlegel. Junior Varsity Cheerleaders – Tina Doughty, Toni Reinhold, Sharon Huter, Jenine Jeppe and Nicki Eason.

50 years ago

August 27, 1959

1400 persons fed at Old Timers barbecue Saturday

Over 1400 persons were served at the 4th Annual Old Timer's day barbecue at the city park Saturday according to Les Carter and Frank Matteson, co-chairmen.

The crowd consumed 605 pounds of beef, 500 pounds of potatoes, 125 pounds of beans, 300 pounds of cabbage, 100 loaves of bread, 1200 ice cream cups, 2,000 patties of butter, along with coffee, salt, pepper, catsup, etc.

The barbecue was arranged by the Homedale chamber of commerce again this year and a charge of 25 cents was made to help defray expenses.

Paul Zatica was in charge of the meat; Russell Immisch, Vern Swenson and Spud Murphy, the fire; Bud Ross, preparation of coffee; Joe Turner and Henry Quast, the potatoes; Howard Bergeson and Elaine Knight, beans; Herman Koenig and Al Jessen, cole slaw; and Kenneth Downing and Everett Colley, serving. Julian Broadbent, Verdis Wilson, Harper Saunders, Bob Slatter and Dick Frazier were in charge of setting up the tables and chairs.

Women of the State Line grange, American Legion Auxiliary and Rebekahs served the meal.

The newly organized Owyhee county band, under the direction of Bill Davidson, played during the barbecue. Leonard Wilson was in charge of the entertainment.

Vic Uria was in charge of the pop stand with Kiwanis club members helping him during the fair days.

Old Timer plaques went to Walt Adams, oldest man born in Owyhee county; W. J. Stoddard, Murphy, oldest man present; Mrs. Berry Givens, Opaline, oldest woman resident of the county; A. T. Birmingham, oldest man resident of the county; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Butterbaugh, oldest married couple; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Feucht, oldest couple present.

Murphy isolated after cloudburst

The road to Murphy was closed four hours Thursday after a flash flood caused by a cloudburst swept debris over highway 45, between the Walters Ferry bridge and Murphy. Traffic was restored Friday.

Highway crews said a torrent of water, mud and rock poured out of the hills to the north of Murphy and damaged the road in many places.

Murphy was isolated for several hours while the road was closed.

It was reported that Rabbit creek, which flows through Murphy, ran at flood crest during the cloudburst.

Gretchen Nazworthy wins fair queen honors Friday

Gretchen Nazworthy was crowned queen of the 1959 Owyhee county fair Friday night, during the rodeo by Pat Muller, chairman of the county commissioners.

The candidates, dressed in beautiful pastel gowns, rode in a convertible to the platform placed in the rodeo arena. Mac Parkins, fair board chairman, introduced Felisa Echevarria, who in turn, introduced the girls.

Runners up for the crown were Charlene Markley and Joan Jesenko. The queen was presented a bouquet of red

Other girls who sold tickets for the Shetland pony, won by Charles DeGeus, Central Cove, were Donna Haken, Marsing, sponsored by the Marsing chamber of commerce, Linda Berney, Grand View, sponsored by the Grand View Lions club and Bruneau 4-H club and Rita Agenbroad, Wilson, sponsored by the Wilson 4-H club.

Gretchen was sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, Joan by the St. Hubert's Altar Society and Charlene by the State Line Grange.

The queen received a Virginia Maid cedar chest and the runners up, three pieces of Riviera luggage each.

Homedale locals

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snow Caldwell, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ensley attended the Meridian speedway races Saturday night. Mr. Ensley entered the jalopy races.

140 years ago

August 14, 1869

IDA ELLMORE. As this company has recently been incorporated in San Francisco, we propose to give a brief sketch of the famous Ida Ellmore Mine. Two years ago the present month, mining, the basis of every branch of industry in this section of the country, had sustained a check, which was traceable to a variety of causes, a pall of gloom and misgiving had overspread the entire community, and Owyhee was proclaimed a failure as a mining camp, even by those who were its sanguine friends and supporters in the dawn of its existence and prosperity, and now that a shadow had fallen across its path, there were "none so poor as to do it reverence," when Col. D. U. Fogus, John M. Wilson and Russ Carter, with confidence unshaken in the unearthed wealth of the country, in the course of their prospecting, unveiled a portion of the hidden treasures of the Ida Ellmore, on the east face of War Eagle Mountain, in the spot where the main shaft is now sunk. The cry of land! land! from the Santa Maria, aroused a no greater fervor of excitement in the breasts of Columbus and his followers, than did this new discovery of gold! Gold! In the heated imaginations of the hitherto crestfallen Owyhee miners. Mining at once received a new and increased impetus, and prospecting became the order of the day. Men who had been indulging in listless dreams of apathy, and inactivity, on the street corners of Silver, were suddenly inspired with an unappeasable ardor for prospecting, which resulted in the discovery and founding of other claims in the vicinity. The excitement which prevailed, as an almost natural consequence, engendered a fierce strife, which ended in a sad and bloody drama, over which we will here draw the veil of sorrowful silence.

The company immediately went to work in developing their claim and soon had the complete satisfaction of knowing that the mine contained within all it promised without. Ore was then taken out, hauled and crushed in the (then Lincoln) Ida Ellmore Mill with gratifying results. The company soon became proprietors of the mill and since that time the course of the Ida Ellmore has been onward and upward, yielding more bullion and contributing more to the prosperity of the country than any other mine in Idaho.

The company has incurred a great expense in placing the mine in its present convenient and desirable condition. A tunnel has been run, commencing on the north face of the mountain near the Oro Fino works, and running 1200 feet tapping the mine at a depth of 250 feet; it is five feet in width by six feet in height, substantially timbered. The main shaft is now down 280 feet, two levels, the first at a depth of 65 feet, and the second at a depth of 150 from the outside, have been worked out. The level in which work is now progressing was formed at a depth of 250 feet; the main shaft is now down over thirty feet below this level, and owing to the increased facilities is being, under the efficient management of the foreman, Mr. J. C. Schmitt, driven at the rate of eight feet per week, the ledge at this point maintains an average width of about 4 1/2 feet, and the ore which it contains will work \$100 to \$125 per ton. Over the main shaft is being built, and now almost completed, under the masterly supervision of Mr. Sam Beagle, a substantial and well constructed engine house, 34 by 40 feet, below and connected therewith a staunch and commodious ore house, capable of receiving 200 tons of ore, has been built. The new 25-horse power engine is in its place and in obedience to the will of the competent engineer, Mr. A. Edward Callaway, performs its work in a most satisfactory manner; 1100 pound tubs are used, which are drawn from the "vast depths" brimming full, with commendable ease and celerity, during our stay five barrels of water were drawn up from the bottom of the shaft in the space of twelve minutes.

The furnace consumes the modicum of about one-half cord of wood in twenty-four hours, the fire looked scarcely large enough to boil a coffee-pot. The cost of the new works, machinery, engine and ore house will approximate \$10,000. There are at present, including the foreman and engineer, forty-six hands at work in and about the mine.

Public notices

SYNOPSIS OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES AUGUST 10, 2009

Indigent & Charity 09-28 lien, 06-29 withdrawal of application Letters regarding 911 Committee were sent to Fire Districts/Ambulance Districts

Letters sent regarding Owyhee Initiative meeting on August 18th

Executive session 67-2345 (1),(a),(b),(c),(d),(f). personnel and attorney memo's

Coordination meeting with Twin Falls District BLM.

Pay authorization for Sheriff's employee.

Recess until 8:00 a.m. to meet with Homedale Fire District. Recess for TAC meeting on

August 17th in Murphy.

The complete minutes can be

The complete minutes can be viewed in the Clerk's office or online at owyheecounty.net. 8/26/09

NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION CITY OF HOMEDALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Homedale, Idaho will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2009. The election will be held to elect the following offices for the specified terms: Two Council Members with four year terms each.

On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated precinct polling place: Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale, Idaho

Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk/ Treasurer 8/26/09

NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE & NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice of Candidate Filing Deadline, City of Homedale, Idaho

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Homedale, Idaho, will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2009. The election is held for the purpose of electing the following offices:

Two (2) council members for a term of four years each.

Candidates for city elected offices are required to file a Declaration of Candidacy specifying the office sought and affirming that the individual is a qualified city elector, meaning: at least 18 years of age, a U.S. Citizen, the candidate's primary residence must be within the City of Homedale, the address of the candidate's voter registration must match the residence address provided on the candidate's declaration. The Declaration of Candidacy must be accompanied by: (1) a nonrefundable filing fee of \$40 or (2) a petition of candidacy signed by at least five qualified city electors that have been verified by the county clerk's office. The deadline for filing declarations of candidacy is Friday, September 4, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. Declarations of candidacy are available at City Hall in the office of the city clerk at 31 W. Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Alice E. Pegram
City Clerk / Treasurer
City of Homedale
8/26/09

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with Idaho Code,

Title 63, Chapter 13, The City of Marsing will hold a public hearing to receive comment from interested persons regarding the following:

1. Sewer Rate increase of \$8.40 per month, from base rate of \$18.80/mo to base rate of \$27.20/mo.

2. Water Rate increase of \$18.42 per month, from base rate of \$28.52/mo to base rate of \$46.94/mo

The rate increase is necessary to meet the expense of operation and maintenance of both the water and sewer system.

Public Comment: The public hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. on September 8, 2009 at the American Legion Hall, 126 Second Ave W. (Old Bruneau Highway), Marsing, Idaho. Comments regarding the rate increase will be taken at the public hearing or may be submitted in writing for consideration. Written comments must be mailed to Marsing City Hall, PO Box 125, Marsing ID 83639, or delivered to Marsing City Hall. Written comments will be received until 5:00 pm on September 8, 2009. Comments may also be read into the record at the public hearing. 8/26;9/2/09

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council members for a term of
four years each.

Candidates for city elected offices are required to file a Declaration of Candidacy specifying the office sought and affirming that the individual is a qualified city elector, meaning: at least 18 years of age, a U.S. Citizen, the candidate's primary residence must be within the City of Marsing, the address of the candidate's voter registration must match the residence address provided on the candidate's declaration. The Declaration of Candidacy must be accompanied by: (1) a nonrefundable filing fee of \$40 or (2) a petition of candidacy signed by at least five qualified city electors that have been verified by the county clerk's office. The deadline for filing declarations of candidacy is Friday, September 4, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. Declarations of candidacy are available at City Hall in the office of the city clerk at 425 Main, Marsing, Idaho from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Janice C. Bicandi City Clerk/Treasurer 8/26/09

NOTICE OF CANDIDATES FILING DEADLINE FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009 ELECTION FOR GRAND VIEW, IDAHO

NOTICE IS HERÉBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Grand View, Idaho, will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2009.

The election is held for the purpose of electing the following offices for the specified terms: One (1) City Council Member for a term of four (4) years, and two (2) City Council Members for a term of two (2) years. Candidates for City elected office are required to file a Declarations of Candidacy

with the City Clerk, accompanied by: (1) a nonrefundable filing fee of \$40 or (2) a petition of candidacy signed by at least five (5) qualified City electors that have been verified by the County Clerk's Office. The deadline for filing Declarations of Candidacy opens Monday, August 24, 2009 8:00 am and closes on Wednesday, September 2, 2009 – 5:00pm. Declarations of Candidacy are available at City Hall in the Office of the City Clerk at 425 Boise Ave. from the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm - closed 12:30 to 1:30 for lunch and the day's open are: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday.

For information call: 834-2700.

On Election Day Tuesday, November 3, 2009 the polls will be open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm in the polling place at 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, Idaho.

Grand View City Clerk Helana (Lani) Race 8/26/09

NOTICE OF ELECTION GRAND VIEW IRRIGATION DISTRICT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from Division 1 of the Grand View Irrigation District, will be held on November 3, 2009 to elect a Director of the term of three (3) years from the first of January 2010 and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Nomination for Director may be made by Petition, singed by at least six (6) electors of the District, qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District, not less than 40 days nor more than 60 days before the date of election. Petitions may be obtained September 4, 2009 from Dixie McDaniel, Secretary of the District, 645 Idaho Street, Grand View, Idaho. (Petition due date September 24, 2009 by 3:30pm)

In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominated within a Division, notice of the time and place of the election will be posted as is required by IDS 43-206.

Dated August 18, 2009 Grand View Irrigation District Dixie McDaniel, Secretary 8/26;9/2/09

LEGAL NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS STATELINE DROP HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

Sealed proposals will be accepted by the South Board of Control, for a design-build contract for a hydroelectric power facility at the Stateline Drop, located on the 5-7 Canal. This work will be awarded to the highest ranked and most qualified bidder. The South Board of Control reserves the right to reject any or all bids not conforming to the intent and purpose of this request for proposals and the right to reject all bids if, in the opinion of the South Board of Control, it is in the interests of the South Board of Control to do so.

The Request for Proposals can be obtained at the offices of the South Board of Control at 118 First Street, Homedale, Idaho 83628. An electronic version of the Requests for Proposal may be obtained by an email requesting specific documents sent to brs@idahowaters.com with a subject line "Stateline Drop – Request for Information." To be considered,

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Homedale Highway District Board of Commissioners will meet September 2, 2009 at 8pm at 102 East Colorado Ave., Homedale, Idaho to consider and adopt a final budget for 2009-2010.

The proposed budget is available for the public to inspect at the office of the district, between the hours of 8am and 3:30pm, Monday through Friday.

Terri Uria, Secretary/Treasurer

HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT, PROPOSED BUDGET October 1, 2009 THROUGH September 30, 2010 ANTICIPATED INCOME

Beginning Fund Balance	190,431.21
Highway Users	380,000.00
Ag Replacement Tax	2,492.00
Property Taxes	61,447.00
Sales Tax/Surplus	12,000.00
Misc. Revenue	2,000.00
Interest Income	1,000.00
Total Anticipated Income	\$649,370.21
ANTICIPATED EXPENSES	* - · · · ·
Commissioners Salaries	14,688.00
Salaries	95,604.00
Payroll Benefits and Taxes	39,300.00
Utilities	3,000.00
Professional Fees	5,000.00
General Supplies & Misc.	3,500.00
Repairs & Maintenance	10,000.00
Gas, Oil & Tires	10,000.00
Materials/Construction	300,000.00
Insurance (General)	6,118.00
Office Supplies	600.00
Weed Control	24,000.00
Equipment Lease	24,000.00
Phone Expense	3,100.00
Contingency Fund	30,000.00
Transfers & Adjustments	10,500.00
Misc. Expense	1,500.00
Workers Compensation	4,100.00
Ending Fund Balance	64,360.21
Total Anticipated Expenses	\$649,370.21
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of qualified voters of the Lizard Butte Library District will be held on the third of September from 4:00 to 5:00pm at the Lizard Butte Library in the said library district, Marsing, Idaho, at which time there will be a public hearing on the maintenance and operation budget for the forthcoming year

This special budget hearing is called pursuant to section 33-2725 of the Idaho Code as amended.

General Fund Lizard Butte Library District October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010

Revenue	2008-2009	2009-2010
Property Tax	\$53,245.00	\$56,032.00
State Funds & other	,	. ,
Grants & Matching	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Carry Over	. ,	. ,
Total	\$58,245.00	\$61,032.00
Expenditures	. ,	. ,
Plant Operations	\$16,000.00	\$14,000.00
Library Supplies	\$3,500.00	\$2,000.00
Book Purchase	\$4,488.00	\$7,369.00
Insurance	\$857.00	\$857.00
Election/Legal	\$100.00	\$250.00
Summer Reading/		
Story Time	\$800.00	\$1,000.00
Salaries	\$22,500.00	\$25,056.00
FICA	\$5,000.00	\$5,500.00
Literacy	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Total	\$58,245.00	\$61,032.00
	l Repayment	. ,
October 1, 2009	to September 30,	2010
Revenue	2008-2009	2009-2010
Property Tax	\$62,0000.00	\$62,000.00
Expenditures		
Bond Repayment:		
Principal	\$26,751.01	\$27,854.49
Interest	\$30,908.99	\$29,805.51
Plant Facilities	. ,	. ,
	to September 30,	2010
Revenue	2008-2009	2009-2010
Investment Earnings	\$806.00	\$900.00
Expenditures		
General and Administrative	\$6,660.00	
Furniture	\$446.14	\$8,000.00
Computer software	\$2,746.20	40,000.00
Capital Outlay	,.	
Loan Payment		\$45,257.00
9/26/00		Ψ13,237.00

sealed proposals must be received at the South Board of Control office, at the above address, no later than 4:00 p.m. M.D.T., on September 30th, 2009. Proposals will be opened and considered

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thereafter. For questions or additional information, please call Ron Kiester at 208-337-3760. 8/26;9/2/09

ublic notices

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 55-13890

FRED CHADWICK, CAROL CHADWICK, 19355 HUSKY LN, CALDWELL, ID 83607

Point of Diversion NWSESE S5 T05S R03W OWYHEE County Source SPRING Tributary to JORDAN CREEK

Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 to 12/31 0.08 CFS

Total Diversion: 0.08 CFS Date Filed: 11/18/2008 Place Of Use: DOMESTIC

T05S R03W S5 SESE Place of Use located within London Lode #714

Replaces lapsed permit # 55-

Domestic use is for 3 homes internal use.

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code.

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 9/8/2009. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Interim Director

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

57-11753 WANDA J PARKER, 7300 OPALINE RD, MELBA, ID

Point of Diversion SESESE S35 T02N R04W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER

Use: HEATING 01/01 to 12/31 0.06 CFS

Use: DOMESTIC 01/01 to 12/31 0.04 CFS

Total Diversion: 0.06 CFS Date Filed: 10/22/2008 Place Of Use: DOMESTIC T02N R04W S35 SESE

Place Of Use: HEATING SAME AS DOMESTIC

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code.

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 9/8/2009. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Interim Director

8/19,26/09

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State of Idaho: 57-11765

TFR PARTNERSHIP, C/O RICHARD CALDWELL, 45625 MANZO DR, INDIAN WELLS, CA 92210

Point of Diversion NWNW S4 T03N R05W OWYHEE County Source UNNAMED DRAIN Tributary to SNAKE RIVER

Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE 01/01 to 12/31 50 AF

Use: DIVERSION TO STORAGE 01/01 to 12/31 2 CFS

Total Diversion: 2 CFS 50 AF Date Filed: 1/22/2009 Place Of Use: WILDLIFE STORAGE

T03N R05W S4 NWNW T03N R05W S5 NENE T04N R05W S32 SESE T04N R05W S33 SWSW

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-203A, Idaho Code.

Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 9/8/2009. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Interim Director

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PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHTS

Darrel Agenbroad of 27161 Dairy Road, Grand View ID 83624 filed two applications as

Application No. 73748 to transfer a water right with a 1979 priority date from the Snake River totaling 3.82 cfs. The purpose of the transfer is to split the irrigation right and relocate most it (2.92 cfs) to existing pivots adjacent to the current place of use of the right. No change in diversion point from the river (Bybee Canal). The balance of the right (0.90 cfs) will remain in its current place of use.

Application No. 73749 to transfer a water right with a 1961 priority date from ground water totaling 1.42 cfs. The purpose of the transfer is to move the irrigation right from existing pivots described in the above application to land currently served by river water. The two applications more or less swap places of use for the rights. The site for both applications is near Twentymile Flat about 4 to 5 miles south of Grand View and about 2.5 miles west of Mud Flat Road. The proposed changes have already occurred, and the applicant seeks to correct the water right records.

For specific details regarding the application, please contact the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) Western Region at 208-334-2190 or visit www.idwr.idaho.gov with detail provided under "new water right applications." Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-222, Idaho Code. Any protest against the proposed change must be filed with the Director, IDWR Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705-5082 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before September 8, 2009. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Interim Director

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 09-0078995 Title Order No. 090390088 Parcel No. RPA0010057013AA The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse located on the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, known as 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, on 12/28/2009 at 11:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #12 CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO

ORDINANCE #12 - OCTOBER 1, 2009 to SEPTEMBER 30, 2010

An Ordinance entitled the Annual Appropriation Ordinance # 12 for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2009 and ending September 30, 2010 appropriating the sum of \$ 71,330.00 to defray all necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Grand View and Street & Road for said fiscal year.

Authorizing a levy of a sufficient tax upon the taxable property and specifying the objects and purpose for which said appropriation is made.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Grand View, Owyhee County, Idaho:

SECTION 1: That the sum of \$71,330.00 be and the same of appropriated to defray the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Grand View, Owyhee County, Idaho,

for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2009 and ending September 30, 2010.

SECTION 2: The object and purpose for which and the amount of each object and purpose is as follows:

	FY 2010	
City of Grand View Expenditures	Approved Budget	
Account Payable Name:	City Exp	
Administration:	\$10,784.00	
Auto - Purchase / Maintenance / Fuel / Oil	\$2,000.00	
Backhoe Maintenance	\$600.00	
Capital Outlay	\$600.00	
City/City Park Maint/Supplies/Repairs/Equip/Tools/Parts	\$2,500.00	
Contingency Fund	\$2,000.00	
Dues	\$1,300.00	
Election Supplies	\$900.00	
Engineering / Surveying / Mapping	\$1,900.00	
Fire Hydrant / Supplies	\$800.00	
Insurance / Bonds / Workman's Compensation	\$3,113.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$808.00	
Office Supplies / Postage / Safe Dep Box Fee	\$1,750.00	
Petty Cash	\$100.00	
Professional Services: Accounting / Legal	\$1,600.00	
Publication	\$1,483.00	
Seminars	\$200.00	
<u>Utilities - Power / Phone / Dumpster Service</u>	\$3,400.00	
Total City Expenditures	\$35,838.00	
	FY 2010	
City Revenue Funds	Approved Budget	
	City Rev	
City Business Liquor License	\$1,350.00	
Interest (Investment Pool / Bank)	\$120.00	
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$800.00	
State Liquor Allotment	\$6,135.00	
State Revenue Sharing	\$11,296.00	
State Sales Tax Revenue	\$3,769.00	
County Warrant: Grand View Tax Levy & Ag	\$6,768.00	
City Revenue	\$30,238.00	
	Approved Budget	
City Carry / Over Funds:	City C/O '10	
Investment Pool	\$2,615.00	
Checking Account	\$2,985.00	
Total City Carry / Over Funds:	\$5,600.00	
Total Anticipated City Rev & C/O	\$35,838.00	
City of Grand View Street and Road budget appears on next page		

09/26/2003 as Instrument Number 245182, and executed by DAVID HONAKER, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Grantor(s), in favor of AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER, as Beneficiary, to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Owyhee County, state of Idaho: LOTS 13, 14, 15, AND 16 OF BLOCK 57 OF THE AMENDED PLAT OF BLOCKS 35, 55, 56, 57 AND "A": OF THE AMENDED PLAT OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED NOVEMBER 19, 1913 AS NO. 10318 IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of, 31 WEST CALIFORNIA AVENUE HOMEDALE, ID 83628-3030 is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must

be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. 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 that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 03/01/2009 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 8.000% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$64,571.37, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and /or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorneys fees, Trustees' fees and costs, and

any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT THE DEBT MAY BE DISPUTED. 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. DATED: 08/17/2009 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canvon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 80028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. Successor Trustee Judy Acquaye, Team Leader ASAP# 3229318 8/26;9/2,9,16/09

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City of Grand View - Street & Road Exp.	FY 2010
Account Payable Name:	Approved Budget
	St & Rd Exp
Administration - Payroll Reimbursement	
- Wages for Supervisor	\$3,300.00
- Wages for Maint. Assistant	\$12,000.00
Auto - Purchase / Maintenance / Fuel / Oil	\$1,000.00
Backhoe / Mower / Tractor Maintenance	\$2,000.00
Capital Outlay	\$6,000.00
Contingency Fund	\$1,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$300.00
Professional: Accounting / Legal	\$1,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance - Streets / Safety	\$3,500.00
Street Signs / Signing	\$1,000.00
Surveying	\$1,000.00
Tools & Equipment	\$500.00
Utilities: Street Security Lighting	\$3,000.00
Total Street & Road Expenditures	\$35,600.00
	FY 2010
St & Rd Revenue	Approved Budget
	St & Rd Rev
HUR - State Highway Users Fund	\$15,292.00
Idaho Power Franchise	\$5,000.00
Interest (Investment Pool / Bank)	\$400.00
Grand View Tax Levy	\$0.00
Total St & Rd Revenue	\$20,692.00
	Approved Budget
St & Rd Carry Over	St&Rd C/O '10
Investment Pool	\$10,411.00
Checking Account	\$4,497.00
Total St & Rd Carry Over	\$14,908.00
Total Anticipated St&Rd Rev & C/O	\$35,600.00

SECTION 3: That a general tax levy on all taxable property with in the City of Grand View be levied in an amount by law for the general purpose for said City, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2009 and ending September 30, 2010.

SECTION 4: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage, approval and publication in one issue of the Owyhee Avalanche, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Grand View and the official newspaper of said City.

Passes under suspension of rules up which a roll call vote was taken and duly enacted an Ordinance of the City of Grand View, Owyhee County, Idaho at a convened meeting of the City of Grand View City Council held on the 12th day of August, 2009.

Mayor Paul R. Spang Attest: Helana Race

City Clerk / Treasurer 8/26/09

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On December 1, 2009, at the hour of 3:00 o'clock PM of said day, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, State Highway 78, Murphy, ID, JUST LAW, INC., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

Lot 5 of Block 1 of VANCE ADDITION, part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of 305 S. 5th Street West, Homedale, ID, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

This Trustee's Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further,

if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Tomas Jimenez Neri, a married man as his sole and separate property, as Grantor(s) with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded April 4, 2006, as Instrument No. 255821, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Home Equity Asset Trust 2006-6 Home Equity Pass Through Certificates, Series 2006-6, recorded July 16, 2009, as Instrument No. 268693, in the records of said County.

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay

the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows: Monthly payments in the amount of \$624.26 for the months of January 2009 through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$73,651.38 as principal, plus service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 7.375% from December 1, 2008, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.

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

Dated this 27th day of July, 2009.

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

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

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Tuesday, the 8th day of December, 2009, at the hour of

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Board of Commissioners for the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District have tentatively adopted a budget for the 2010 fiscal year, for said district, as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the enactment of said budget at the office for the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, located at 4410 Cemetery Road, Marsing, ID 83639 at 8:00pm on the day of September 7, 2009. The budget is available for public inspection between the hours of 9:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday, at the cemetery office.

Proposed Budget Dated August 3rd, 2008 October 1st 2009 to October 1st 2010

October 1st, 2009 to October 1st, 2010		
Fund Balance Carry Forward	\$16,000	
Revenue:		
Burial Lots	9,000	
County Warrants	30,302	
Farm Rental	3,812	
Labor (opening & closing)	11,000	
Total Revenue	\$54,114	
All Total	\$70,114	
Anticipated Disbursement		
Salaries:		
Sexton	27,000	
Farm Oversight	5,500	
Part Time Help	3,500	
Total	\$36,000	
Expenses:		
Ĝas & Oil	1,200	
Idaho Power	1,500	
Irrigation	2,300	
Repair Grounds	2,000	
Repair Equipment	3,500	
Telephone	950	
Sanitation	550	
Property Insurance	1,400	
Bond Insurance	125	
Payroll Taxes	2,000	
Legal Notices	1,100	
Travel & Meals	450	
Office Supplies	1,000	
Workmans Comp	1,800	
Chemical & Fertilizer	1,800	
Persi	3,200	
Deeds	200	
Bar Wright Tax	100	
Total	25,175	
Salaries	36,000	
Capital Expenditures	8,939	
All Total	\$70,114	
ruce Benson, Secretary, Treasurer, and Sexton		

Bruce Benson, Secretary, Treasurer, and Sexton Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District 8/19,26/09

10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day at the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, on the corner of Hwy. 78 and Hailey St., Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Charles W. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 14 OF BLOCK 35 OF THE AMENDED TOWNSITE PLAT OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, A C C O R D I N G TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, <u>Idaho Code</u>, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 214 W. Arizona Ave., Homedale, Idaho, 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 EMILIANO PEREZ and TERESA PEREZ, Husband and Wife, Grantor, to Charles W. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of WELLS FARGO HOME MÖRTGAGE. INC., recorded March 13, 2003, as Instrument No. 242816, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on March 13, 2003, as Instrument No. 242817, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated March 11, 2003, in the amount of \$511.00 each, for the months of February through July, 2009, inclusive; and for each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reimbursement. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 5.60% per annum from January 1, 2009. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$62,457.83, plus accrued interest at the rate of 5.60% per annum from January

DATED This 4th day of August, 2009.

/s/CHARLES W. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE 8/19,26;9/2,9/09

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Loan No. 0019936111 T.S. No.

ID-09-296617-TD On 11/20/2009,

at 11:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho: In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse located on the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, known as 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee on behalf of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of OWYHEE State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 2 in Block 2 of CANYON ESTATES SUBDIVISION, according to the Official Plat thereof, filed as Instrument No. 225841, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho. TOGETHER WITH an access easement for ingress-egress and utilities over Wagon Wheel Drive, also known as Lot 19, Block 2, Canyon Estates Subdivision, according to the official plat thereof, filed as Instrument No. 225941, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 5717 Wagon Wheel Dr., HOMEDALE, ID 83628 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 STEPHEN R LILE MARRIED MAN -SEPARATE ESTATE as Grantor/ Trustor, in which WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK FSB, is named as Beneficiary and ALLIANCE TITLE AND ESCROW CORP.. A IDAHO CORPORATION as Trustee and recorded 3/25/1999 as Instrument No. 227902 in book -, page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of OWYHEE County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 3/16/1999. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$651.26, due per month for the months of 3/1/2009 through 7/10/2009, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$61,968.57 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.4510 per cent (%) per annum from 2/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts

advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: 7/20/2009 By: Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington, as Agent 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 Nina Hernandez Assistant Secretary ***For Sale Information Call: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelityasap. com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP#

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S **SALE**

Trustee's Sale No, 02-FMB-80523 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on December 8, 2009, at the hour of 02:00 PM, of said day. FRONT STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 20381 HIGHWAY 78, 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 4, BLOCK 3, HIDDEN HOLLOW SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED APRIL 23, 1974 AS INSTRUMENT NÓ 139816 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY 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 409 LIVE OAK AVENUE, 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 MICHAEL J SHRIVER A MÅRRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF OWYHEE COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR SILVER STATE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC D/B/A SILVER STATE MORTGAGE, as Beneficiary, dated 7/28/2006, recorded 8/3/2006, under Instrument No. 257533, rerecorded under Auditor's/Recorder's No. 259129, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by OneWest Bank FSB. 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 7/28/2006, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 4/1/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of August 3, 2009 Delinquent Payments from April 01, 2009 5 payments at \$ 551.19 each \$ 2,755.95 (04-01-09 through 08-03-09) Late Charges: \$ 111.56 Beneficiary Advances; \$ 33.00 Suspense Credit: \$ 0.00 TOTAL: \$ 2,900.51 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 \$75,942.60, together with interest thereon at 7.500% per annum from 3/1/2009, 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 be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 8/3/2009. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officerc/oREGIONALTRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www. rtrustee.com ASAP# 3218505



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