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Homedale LID clears signatures hurdle

Council to vote Dec. 9 on accepting petition

Homedale Mayor Harold Wilson confirmed last week that he has secured enough signatures to take the next step in the Local Improvement District process.

"It feels good to get it done," he said Friday morning. "It took a hell of a long time."

Needing signatures from owners of 68 of

103 parcels in the proposed revitalization district, Wilson delivered a list including the names of 71 signers to The Owyhee Avalanche office last week.

The mayor said he had been working since April 10 to get the 66 percent approval

required for the City Council to move forward with pursuing the LID.

"I'm very excited about the mayor's progress with the petition," Chamber of

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County, city offices close for holiday

County and city offices, except for essential services such as law enforcement, and schools will close Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. Banks will be closed Thursday.

The Owyhee Avalanche office also will be closed Thursday and Friday with the display advertising deadline set for 5 p.m. today. All other deadlines are unchanged.

City halls in Homedale, Marsing and Grand View are closed both Thursday and Friday. Homedale Police will be on patrol as usual.

County offices, except for the sheriff's office and the recorder's office, will be closed Friday, too.

Paul's Market is closed Thursday, while Snake River Mart will be open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thanksgiving.



Owyhee's giving season begins

Angel Tree helps meet need in Marsing

With economic woes and a year that saw more accidents, illness and tragedy in its local area, the Marsing Chamber of Commerce has gone forward with its Angel Tree program, in hopes of making things a little better for those families faced with real needs.

The program, which reached

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Wish Tree, food drive start in Homedale

The annual Wish Tree and Hands Around Homedale gift and food drives have begun.

Students at all three Homedale School District schools are accepting food donations through Dec. 11, with distribution to needy families scheduled for Dec. 12 at Homedale Elementary School,

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Wish Trees go up around Homedale

At left: From left, Diana Uranga-Maxwell, Ashley Clark and Julie Uranga place tags on the Wish Tree at Paul's Market. The women spent Saturday setting up trees in several Homedale businesses.

COSSA, levy not behind tax hike

Return of bond service to taxes raises eyebrows; tech center vote Feb. 9

Confusion over property taxes has made for busy phone lines at the Marsing School District in the past week. District business manager Debbie Holzhey has fielded calls from fired up taxpayers who had assumed that rate increases were tied to the Canyon Owyhee

School Services Agency tech center levy that failed to pass by just three votes this fall, or who believed their taxes had taken a surprise increase in connection with the district's recent emergency levy.

That is not the case, Holzhey explained. Last year, the school district lowered its bond tax rate to .00006 despite servicing the district's 1998 and 2002 bonds, she said. In the 2008-09 tax year the district taxed ratepayers at a

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Marsing tax per \$100,000 for levies and bonds

Tax year	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Market value	\$159,805,543	\$235,819,544	\$242,819,303	\$242,073,993
Levy	\$91.21	\$114.61		\$166.30
Bond	\$409.59	\$304.33	\$103.65	\$247.86
Bond			\$6.12	
Total rate				
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Juvenile probationers up, restitution down

Department chief: Emery prosecuting more teen cases than predecessor

A rise in the number of juveniles supervised by the Owyhee County Probation Department hasn't translated into more money for victims.

But Owyhee County chief probation officer Doris Jewett says the reduction in restitution payments and community service hours indicates there are fewer property crimes and more drug and assault charges against juveniles. She also said that in some cases restitution is paid directly to the victim and wouldn't show up in the probation records.

"There aren't as many crimes that involve restitution," the 12-year county probation veteran said, adding that restitution cases have declined only in recent years.

Meanwhile, the 18.8 percent increase in the number of juveniles in the probation system over last year can be attributed to a new prosecuting attorney, Jewett said.

The FY 2009 Juvenile Justice Report shows that 63 juveniles

were under some sort of supervision by county probation officers. In FY 2008, the number was 53, and 48 were supervised during FY 2007.

FY 2009 marked the first year during of Douglas Emery as prosecutor; he succeeded Matthew Faulks in January.

"The prosecutor now prosecutes juvenile cases, and for a period of time we had a prosecutor who preferred not to do that, especially if anything happened at school," county chief probation officer Doris Jewett said. "If anything happened at school, (Faulks) thought the school should take care of it, and he thought it wasn't something that law enforcement should be involved in."

"There's just a different philosophy now."

The number of petitions filed in FY 2009 was 105, up 45.8 percent from the previous year. Jewett said juvenile petitions are filed after an alleged offense occurs but before the child goes into the court system.

Jewett said the bottom line for the annual report isn't as much a report card on the performance of the department staff as it is a gauge of how well the juveniles are paying back their debt.

"The only thing that it really tells me — the important thing to the county — is how much restitution and how much community service the kids are giving back to the county and the victims," Jewett said.

A comparison of the past three Juvenile Justice Reports shows that community service hours in the county have decreased 26.9 percent since FY 2007 and restitution is down 28.5 percent despite probationers increasing 31.2 percent from 48 to 63 in those three years.

Owyhee's department collected \$4,983.19 in restitution in FY 2009, while 33 juveniles performed 745 hours of community service. The restitution amount was down slightly from the \$4,611.69 collected in FY 2008 when 28 probationers did 905 community service hours. Restitution totaled \$6,973.96 in FY 2007 with 1,020 hours of community service from 38 of-

fenders.

"It'll be interesting to see these numbers against next year's numbers because we will have two years with the same prosecutor," Jewett said.

Jewett said that group sessions for education against drugs, tobacco and alcohol as well as victim impact panels will be reinstated as tools when the probation office moves to its new location next month.

"We're involved in each of the schools every week and we do a home visit with every parent almost every week and we see every kid every week," Jewett said.

Jewett wants to start a girls' support group, too.

Only eight of the 63 juveniles placed in the system in FY 2009 were female. Probationers ranged in age from 11 to 18 or older, with the majority of offenders — 36 — coming from the 14-16 age group.

A total of 105 petitions were filed in FY 2009, a 45.8 percent increase from the 72 petitions filed in 2008. Petition filings have increased 77.9 percent since FY 2007.

The number of felony petitions

remained steady at 12 for FY 2009, jumping 140 percent from the five petitions filed in FY 2007. The number of misdemeanors listed on petitions has nearly doubled since FY 2007, and the 85 from FY 2009 shows an increase of 41.7 percent from the 60 filed last year.

Jewett said there were socioeconomic factors to consider when looking at the rise in juvenile crime.

"It depends on who's moving into your community, and I think a lot of times when the economy is like it is, people think it's a lot less expensive to live in a small community," she said.

She also said that gangs play a role in the rise in petitions, even if the gang members are commuting from across the Snake River.

"The petitions don't necessarily mean they are all Owyhee County kids," she said. "It just means the crimes that are committed here."

If a juvenile residing in a different county is convicted of committing a crime in Owyhee County, the probationer is returned to the supervision of their home jurisdiction, Jewett explained.

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HMS pot may bring charges

Following the incident that resulted in the arrest of accused local grower Richard Stewart last week, as many as five or six Homedale Middle School students who took a bread-bag full of pot from marijuana plants may face charges, Owyhee County Prosecutor Douglas Emery said Friday.

"It does appear that there would be a basis for filing charges against the juveniles," Emery said. "Probably at least five."

At present, what those charges would be, and whether they will be pursued, has not been released.

Speculation from law enforcement sources suggests charges could include felonies such as

distribution of a controlled substance, possession of a felony amount of a controlled substance, even, unlikely as it might be, conspiracy.

The case is one that's past the norms for young violators with such an amount of narcotics in their possession, Emery said.

"I don't know of a bigger one. I'm sure that in other states ... maybe some younger child took their big brother's stash, but this runs off the edge of what I've experienced," he said.

Stewart has been charged with felony manufacturing, possession of three-plus ounces of a controlled substance (attempted) and two paraphernalia counts.

— MML

Homedale store holds grand opening



Holiday creations draw shoppers

Joyce's Creations, which stocks holiday decorations, crafts, homemade treats and preserves, tools and a variety of gift ideas, held its grand opening Saturday. Owner Joyce Wright, left, wraps a gift for a customer. The shop, which is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., is located at 11 W. Idaho Ave. in Homedale. The store can be reached at 337-3914.

Demand for food assistance rises as economy slumps

Jan Clapier with the El-Ada Community Action Agency in Homedale is seeing a need greater than anything she's experienced before. The organization, which distributes commodities through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) commodities program and puts together emergency food boxes with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant funds is seeing a three-fold increase in emergency needs, and twice the usual demand for commodities.

"We're doing the best we can," Clapier said last week. "I used to give out 10 emergency food boxes a month. We're now giving out 35 to 40. I used to have a ton of commodities, but now, if they don't get them right away, they're gone. Use is up, big-time."

El-Ada had already given out 35 emergency food boxes, enough food for two to four days, by Nov.

18, she said.

There were 246 households — consisting of 650 people — picking up commodities in October, Clapier said. That number is up from an average of 160 to 180 households.

Emergency boxes are only available every 90 days. "That's picked up so much it's unbelievable," Clapier said.

El-Ada's heating assistance program is also being hit hard. Since Nov. 1, 170 households have applied for assistance, she said.

She said she thought the USDA commodities program was going to continue without interruption, but was more worried by the emergency food box situation, with \$2,000 of the \$3,000 FEMA had supplied already spent.

"I've been here 14 years, and this is the hardest year I've ever had," she said.

— MML

County food services El-Ada food pantry, 15 W. Colorado, Homedale (208) 337-4812

Hours of operation: 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday
Emergency food box: To qualify applicants must be at or below 125 percent of the poverty line.
Application can be made every 90 days.
Commodities distribution is made monthly to families at or below 130 percent of the poverty line.
Grand View distribution occurs on the second Thursday of the month at the Grand View Senior Center. Marsing distribution is made across from the Marsing Senior Center on the third Tuesday of the month from 11 a.m. to noon.
El-Ada also helps those in poverty with phone assistance, energy assistance, weatherization (a waiting list exists), school supplies in the fall, clothing, garden seeds and more, though many programs depend on availability of funds.

Vision Church, 221 W. Main St., (208) 896-5407

The Marsing-based Vision Church program, which utilizes food donated by Winco and the Boise Food Bank, has seen an increase in demand, but nothing along the lines of that at El-Ada, yet.

Distribution is made every Thursday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Vision Church at 221 W. Main St. in Marsing. Winco donated baked goods are handed out on Wednesdays.

The program serves between 60 and 100 families every week, Melissa Bent of the Vision Church said.

Call the church for more information or to make a donation.

Hands Around Homedale

Hands Around Homedale, which makes holiday boxes annually through the Homedale schools, has just started gathering donations. Donations can be made at any of the schools through Dec. 11.

Gateway West meetings slow

No more public meetings are scheduled, but landowners still can comment on proposed placement of the Gateway West transmission project. The draft Environmental Impact Statement is due next year.

Submit comments to Walt George, BLM project manager, at Gateway_West_WYMail@blm.gov, or mail to George c/o Gateway West Project, P.O.

Box 20879, Cheyenne, WY 82003 or to the Idaho Power Co., Gateway West Project, P.O. Box 70, Boise, ID 83707.

A composite map showing proposed routes through Owyhee County is available on The Owyhee Avalanche's Web site at www.owyhee.com/B2H/B2Hindex. Individual landowner maps are available at www.gatewaywestproject.com/maps.



A poke for prevention

Angel Real-Salas, 6, gets his second shot from retired medical doctor and volunteer vaccinator Dennis Weiler on Wednesday at the Homedale Armory. Though it appears dramatic, Angel was all smiles within a few seconds of receiving the shot. Children through 9 years of age should get two H1N1 shots about one month apart, according to Southwest District Health's Web site.

More on last week's clinic, Page 9A

Library gets grant surprise

Christmas came early for the Homedale Public Library, as a Idaho charitable foundation delivered nearly twice as much assistance as was sought.

Library director Margaret Fujishin reported that the Idaho Community Foundation has provided \$2,732 in fiscal year 2010 support after she had applied for only \$1,500 to make up the difference when the library's FY 2010 materials budget was slashed.

The trail of money unraveled like a fantastic story that left library staff giddy as a child on Christmas morning.

On Oct. 14, Fujishin received word that the ICF had awarded the library \$1,232 from something called the Charlotte S. Oslund Fund.

"So I thought instead of \$1,500 they gave us only \$1,232," she said. "I was happy with that."

But, like with all good tales,

there was an unexpected twist.

On Nov. 17, days before the ICF announced its latest grant awards, ICF controller Holly Motes wrote Fujishin that say that the \$1,500 requested had been approved by the organization's board of directors and would be paid from the Southwestern Region Greatest Need Fund.

Confused, Fujishin e-mailed Motes and Elly Davis on Thursday to make sure of the amount of the award so that the grant agreement would be correct.

Davis, a ICF donor relations assistant, wrote back Friday with the explanation: There are donor advisors who use the ICF's Southwestern Region grant fund as a guideline on how to spend other charitable monies, in this case \$1,232 from the Charlotte S. Oslund Fund.

"So, long story short," Davis wrote in an e-mail to Fujishin.

"the \$1,232 is yours, and if you want to return the grant agreement, you will also get another \$1,500."

"Holy cow," Fujishin said of her reaction.

According to the library's grant application, the money will be used to continue providing material as the facility in recent years has seen a 50 percent increase in visitors, while the number of items checked out has more than doubled. At the same time, the library's budget for materials was cut 42.9 percent.

The goal of the grant money is to increase student learning with the purchase of nonfiction books and educational DVDs for school-age children. The original breakdown was \$500 each for adult materials, children's and teens' materials and audiobooks and DVDs

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SC Fire, Rescue agency awarded operating grants

Emergency services group selling Christmas cards again

Silver City Fire and Rescue Inc., is selling Christmas cards again this season as a fundraiser for the non-profit emergency services agency. SCF&R officials also announced that they had secured grants.

Cards available feature artwork from 2007 and 2008. A box of 13 cards costs \$20. Both versions feature original artwork by Wilder resident Cheryl Burril, including a painting of the snow-covered Our Lady of Tears Catholic Church on one card and a wintry scene of a boy pulling a fresh-cut Christmas tree into Silver City.

SCF&R gift shop manager Sara Miller also will man a booth during the Dec. 5-6 Owyhee County Historical Society Christmas Bazaar at the museum in Murphy.

SCF&R officials announced the awarding of two grants — a \$3,000 Idaho Community Foundation award and \$1,000 from Walmart and an Idaho Commu-



SCF&R receives Walmart grant
Silver City Fire and Rescue Gift Shop manager Sara Miller, left, and Walmart Community Involvement Coordinator Dawn Vezzoso in the 12th Avenue store in Nampa. Submitted photo

nity Foundation grant. The Walmart grant will be used to cover operating and training expenses, while the ICF grant is aimed at operating expenses for next year.

“We would like to thank you (SCF&R) for enabling Idaho Community Foundation to be a part of the work you do, to enrich the quality of life throughout Idaho,” ICF controller Holly Motes said in a press release from SCF&R.

The ICF money comes from the organization’s Southwestern Region Greatest Need Fund.

Volunteers outfitted



Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire tries out new turnouts

The Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District received a grant through the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Assistance to Firefighters grant program. This helped the district purchase 32 new protective helmets, coats, pants, boots and gloves to replace old equipment that was not up to National Fire Protection Association standards in protecting MRW volunteers when fighting fires and in other emergency situations.

Back, from left: Joe Shurtleff, Shawn Brooks, Bryan Branstine, Matt Robertson, Ryan Robertson and Hans Jensen. **Front, from left:** Roger Francois, Lori Collins, Danny Yee, Don Jones and Chief Wes Anderson. Submitted photo

MCSO investigates bomb near JV

Weather causes flurry of wrecks; Adrian farm robbed multiple times

An explosive device found at a home in the McBride Creek area north of Jordan Valley has led to an investigation by the Malheur County Sheriff’s Office.

Following a call from the residents who had found the suspected device on the afternoon of Nov. 14, a deputy responded to the home, Undersheriff Brian Wolfe said. The object was an explosive device constructed inside a piece of PVC pipe, and loaded with gunpowder and shotshell shot, he said. The device was not fused, and the deputy destroyed it.

The incident is still under investigation, and the MCSO have some leads, Wolfe said.

Thieves strike at farm

Wagstaff Farms in Adrian was targeted by thieves on several occasions recently, Wolfe said Wednesday. On Nov. 10, the farm’s shop was broken into once again, and thieves took tools, parts including 30 or 40 John Deere fuel and oil filters, and a 1991 Ford F250 pickup, Wolfe said.

The pickup, silver/grey in color, has Oregon plates, number 743 CDG, according to the incident log.

MCSO is investigating the

crime, Wolfe said.

Slick roads lead to calls

Winter weather visited Jordan Valley roads this month, with patches of ice on the pavement, and the MCSO found itself responding to a cluster of accidents in the space of a few days. The flare-up of reports isn’t unusual, Wolfe said.

“This time of year keeps us busy. One Thanksgiving day a few years ago we had a deputy who worked 16 hours straight and logged 60 or so incidents.”

That run was so busy, Wolfe explained, that the deputy had to triage his calls, and dropped accident reports off at less serious incidents and headed straight to those that needed more attention.

Commenting on the busy week, Wolfe predicted more such calls shortly.

“The next snow storm, we’ll have that many or more,” he said. “It’s that time of year. The key is to drive a reasonable speed and make sure you are equipped with traction tires or chains. Have provisions, especially clothing or blankets.”

In the dead of winter, Wolfe warned that someone having a

problem on U.S. 95 “might be out there a while.”

“Unless it’s destroyed, stay with your vehicle,” he warned. “About eight years ago we had a guy who started walking — not dressed for the weather — and he froze to death. Stay with your vehicle.”

One of two incidents requiring medical transport occurred on the morning of Nov. 13, when a man driving a 2007 Nissan pickup with California plates slide off U.S. highway 95 and struck a pole.

Earlier that day, at 2:48 a.m., a 2008 Dodge pickup driven by a Caldwell resident slid and rolled over in icy conditions. Two occupants of the vehicle were evacuated to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell by Jordan Valley Ambulance. Their condition is not known.

Other incidents included a single vehicle non-injury rollover of a Toyota Avalon near 12 Mile Ranch, also on Nov. 13.

A day later, slick roads led to the rollover of a trailer when a pickup lost control on the highway about 10 miles north of Jordan Valley at about 11 a.m. While the trailer rolled, the vehicle didn’t, according to the incident log, and no injuries were reported.

On Nov. 13, a pickup and fifth-wheel camper received minor damage in another non-injury mishap.

— MML

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Booth space available for Jordan bazaar

Plans are under way for the Jordan Valley Christmas Bazaar, which will be held Saturday, Dec. 5. Gifts and crafts from local artists will be sold from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Jordan Valley Lions Den.

Admission is free and there will be door prizes. Vendor booths can

be reserved for \$10.

Call (541) 586-2213 or (541) 586-2275 for more information.

Also set for that weekend:

• The Bruneau Silver Tea and Bazaar is set for 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Dec. 5 at the Bruneau Community Church, 28568 Hyde St.,

in Bruneau. Call Clara Morris at (208) 845-2345.

• The Owyhee County Historical Society’s annual bazaar is Dec. 5-6 at McKeeth Hall. Charlie Brown Christmas trees will be sold, too. Call (208) 495-2319 for information.

Chamber launches business decorating contest

Patrons will vote for best holiday displays as part of parade prep

A couple new twists have been added to the Homedale for the Holidays “Old-Fashioned Christmas” parade. Businesses in town are encouraged to participate in a holiday decoration contest. Patrons will vote for the best decorations as

they visit to enter the annual gift drawing. The Chamber of Commerce sponsors the parade and Santa’s candy giveaway and the raffle afterward, but all Homedale businesses — including Chamber non-members — are invited to take part in the contest. To get involved in the decoration contest, business owners can contact Chamber president Gavin Parker at 337-3271 or The Owyhee Avalanche at 337-4681. A list of participating businesses will be published in the Avalanche’s Dec. 9 special section

heralding the parade. Deadline to contact Parker or the Avalanche for inclusion in the special section is Dec. 3. People wishing to participate in the gift drawing can drop off ballots and entries at the participating businesses between Dec. 9 and Dec. 11. Businesses are encouraged to donate gift baskets of their merchandise for the drawing or donate cash that will be used to buy gift cards to local businesses and turkeys, which also will be available in the drawing.

Participating businesses can begin lining up parade floats at 9:30 a.m. on Dec. 12 on East Owyhee Avenue. The parade starts at 10 a.m. and will be followed by the Santa candy giveaway and prize drawing around noon on North Main Street. The raffle is limited to one winner per household, and you must be present to win. After the giveaways, Santa Claus will be available for a few hours for photos at Paul’s Market.

—JPB

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✓ Marsing: Clothing, bedding on the top of wish lists for most applicants

out to Marsing citizens through both flyers in the schools and notifications that accompanied each utilities bill, asked for those most in need to submit a paragraph telling about their situation, and listing what they needed. “We were hoping we could get into just about every home so they could fill it out if they felt their family was in need,” Chamber president Cathy Streibel said. “It’s been real need — sensible, responsible needs — things like socks, shoes and sweaters. Not Wiis and things like that.”

Of the 30 forms that have returned so far, all but three asked for basics like clothing and bedding, she said. “We had them write a paragraph on why they thought their family was in need — in reading those paragraphs ... they are very heartfelt. It’s people who are out of work, facing illness, suffering cancer,” Streibel said. One request came from grandparents who were taking in and raising their grandchildren, with both grandparents on disability, and the money not going far enough,

she said. “The need ... I am seriously touched by the need in the community,” Streibel said. Those interested in helping out by sponsoring a family in need or making a donation can contact involved businesses and organizations, which include The Spot Pizza, Essence of Life, Marsing Hardware, Caba’s, The Pour House and Marsing City Hall. More are coming on board, Streibel said. Gifts for the Angel Tree brought by sponsors need to be delivered

by Dec. 15. The presents are to be dropped off at participating businesses, wrapped and labeled with the recipient’s name, and will be distributed to families by Dec. 20. Requests have dovetailed with the activities of those involved in the annual coat, hats and gloves drive through Snake River Mart and the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office. Last week Deputy Jim Mackenzie was collating Angel Tree applications with his own lists to help make Christmas wishes for warm clothes come true.

The Angel Tree isn’t a new idea, Streibel explained. “The Chamber has always done a sharing tree. Then Carol Edwards, who was head of the Christmas events, passed away a couple of years ago,” she said. Initially no one wanted to step into the post as organizer, and the event went by the wayside for a period. “This summer, after seeing all of the difficulties people were having, the Chamber decided we would start it up again,” she said.

— MML

✓ Homedale: Wish Tree benefit poker set for Txoko Ona on Saturday

according to coordinator Randee Garrett. Wish Trees, filled with tags for 154 children and 44 families, were placed around town this weekend, according to organizer Diana Uranga Maxwell with the Beta Sigma Phi sorority. Trees have been placed at Moxie Java Bistro, 404 U.S.

Highway 95; the Idaho Pizza Co., 138 E. Idaho Ave.; Tolmie’s Ace Hardware, 1 E. Owyhee Ave.; Subway sandwich shop, 321 E. Idaho Ave.; Homedale Drug, 5 N. Main St.; Paul’s Market, 20 E. Wyoming Ave.; and the Homedale Post Office, 7 N. Main St. Each child has filled out two tags — one for a toy and one for

something warm. Individuals are encouraged to take a tag, buy a gift and return it wrapped or unwrapped to the location where they picked up the tag. The deadline to return presents is Dec. 16. Homedale Police and Fire personnel will deliver the presents on Dec. 19. The Wish Tree committee is

sponsoring a benefit Texas Hold ’Em tournament Saturday at the Txoko Ona Basque Club, 333 S. Main St. The doors open at 6 p.m., with poker play starting at 7 p.m. The buy-in is \$30, and there will be re-buy and add-on options. All players making the final table are guaranteed a prize. There also

will be raffle prizes and a silent auction. Food and drinks will be available, too. For more information on the fundraiser or the Wish Tree, call Maxwell at 573-2285, Lori Badiola at 573-8456 or Teresa Ryska at 608-8381.

— JPB

✓ Levy: Marsing district will run COSSA tech levy election again Feb. 9

reduced rate, in effect giving them a year off. This year the tax rate returned to .002, bringing total property taxes related to the bond and levies back to just under what they were two years ago. “The school board, in a way, gave a gift to the taxpayers last year and now we’re back where we were,” Holzhey said. “I’m still getting calls. We’re up to about 18.” She said that the majority of callers had simply been surprised by the perceived increase. The largest share of the increase

reflected those bonds’ payments, not taxation for the emergency levy or other projects, Holzhey said. Holzhey said that more than one of her callers had been a resident who had moved to the area in the interim, and hadn’t known that last year’s taxes were lower than usual. She has also fielded calls from patrons concerned that funds were going to the COSSA center project, which is not the case, she said. The COSSA center levy vote failed, though the school board

OK’d one more attempt to pass the issue. The vote will be held Feb. 9. The 2002 bond is scheduled to be paid off in August 2017, and the 1998 bond in December 2015, Holzhey said. County Treasurer Brenda Richards has been fielding calls from property owners since tax bills went out last week. “They call me because ... we collect those taxes and apportion them out. We’re the collectors so our number is on the bill,” Richards said. Under state law the

money generated by a school district levy is collected through the county treasurer’s office, though the school district and voters, not the county, determine the amount and rate of levies or bonds. “I don’t know that it (the volume of calls) has been that much more than usual,” Richards said. Her office always fields questions from taxpayers after tax bills are issued, she said. “There were a few more questions than normal as to why there was a difference from last year.” Richards said Holzhey had

been very proactive and had made the treasurer’s office aware of the return to 2007 rates well in advance. “She was very good about it,” Richards said. She asked that those with questions on the levy or bonds contact Holzhey at the Marsing School District offices. The first half of county property tax payments is due Dec. 20. Richards said payments — full or partial — postmarked Dec. 21 will be considered “on time” because the actual deadline is a Sunday.

— MML

✓ LID: Council must decide whether to hire attorney for LID process

Commerce president Gavin Parker said. “It finally confirms what we had hoped: that there is widespread support for this project. “The LID is extremely important because it is the first step in our downtown revitalization plan.” City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram said the next step is the council accepting the signed petition during its Dec. 9 meeting. A notice of intent to create the

district must be published after that. Pegram referred to a checklist provided by attorney Stephanie Bonney, who has been helping the city navigate the legal waters of the LID. The city has paid Bonney \$214.50 on a per-hour consulting basis thus far. She offered legal advice during a Sept. 29 public hearing free of charge, and Wilson said that another step in the process is deciding whether the city wants to retain Bonney as legal advisor for the rest of the

LID process. “When we have our council meeting in two weeks, we’re going to talk about the LID and hiring this gal,” Wilson said. “So far, she’s been real good helping us.” Ten percent of each property’s estimated assessment has been earmarked for legal fees, printing and bonding. Wilson said some of the property owners who approved the LID had a common purpose:

“A lot of them just want to see our town cleaned up a little bit and get some good lighting and start moving the town forward,” he said. Wilson said those who didn’t sign also had their reasons. “A lot of them (said) the economy is bad. We didn’t pressure nobody,” he said. “There’s quite a few people. Fifteen actually came out and said no.”

— JPB

Obituary

Donna Carol Carothers

Donna Carol Carothers, 76 of Grand View, passed away on November 18, 2009 at a Boise hospital. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, November 28, 2009 at Knight Community Church and inurnment will follow at Riverside Cemetery in Grand View. Cremation was under the direction of Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel.

Donna was born on October 3, 1933 in Rupert, Idaho, the daughter of William and Amy Freckelton. The family left Rupert when Donna was in second grade and moved to the Boise Valley. In 1951, Donna graduated from Meridian High School.

On October 8, 1951 Donna married Calvin Carothers and moved to Grand View. Together they owned and operated Cal's Truck Stop, including the Y Bar and Café next to the truck stop. They were also owners of an apartment complex and a custom framing business. Donna was the



Grand View City Clerk and for a time worked as the clerk in the Assessor's office in Murphy. In 1964 they lived on Castle Creek which was one of the most memorable times in her family's life.

Donna enjoyed yard work, crocheting, stain glass, fishing, camping and loved raising her kids. She was a member of the Knight Community Church and served as Past President of the

Grand View Lionesses. After Calvin's passing in 1971, Donna married Raymond McQueen in 1979; he later died in 1991.

Donna is survived by her children; Terry and his wife Jackie Carothers, of Grand View, Marilyn and her husband Dee Messick of Grand View, Rebecca and her husband Lee Blanthorn of Battle Mountain, Nevada, her brother Melvin Freckelton of Grand View, her stepson Mark and his wife Vicki McQueen of Boise, her stepdaughter Melba and her husband Joe Reger of Boise, five grandchildren, numerous step grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by both parents, her husband Calvin, one brother, two sisters, her second husband and a stepson.

Memorials can be made to the Grand View City Parks and Recreation, C/O Jale Reubelt, P.O. Box 101, Grand View, ID 83624.

Birthday

Frank Combs Sr. celebrates 80th



Frank Combs Sr.

Homedale resident Frank Combs Sr., who co-founded the Combs Car Corral sales lot on the corner of East Idaho Avenue and North Main Street, turned 80 on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2009.

Combs, who was born on Nov. 24, 1929, in Bradleyville, Mo., started the car lot with his son, Frank Jr.

Frank Sr. is married to Colleen. Their children are Donna (Larry)

McBride, Frank (Sherri) Combs Jr., Dennis (Sheila) Combs, Kathy (John) Robling, Margie (Dean) Gray, Danny (Sherry) Parrill and Teresa Yost.

His children had this message for Frank Sr.: "We love you and thank God we can celebrate your life."

He also has 21 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

Three Creek reports influx of students

As reported recently by columnist Lola Blossom, Three Creek School is growing.

Months after concern that a lack of enrollment might force the school district to suspend operations, teacher Marylin Boss is teaching six students — kindergartners Will Brackett and Teijen Severe, first-grader Cade Wilson, second-grader Marissa Wilson, third-grader Kodee Severe and fourth-grader Donna Wilson.

Kodee and Teijen Severe made the first-quarter honor roll, Boss reported.

Now in her seventh year as Three Creek's teacher, Boss began her annual visits to students' homes Monday.

"That is something I do every year as the children love to have their teacher come to their homes," Boss said. "I do whatever they want with them for a full hour."

Past visits have included activities such as baking cakes, walks, paper dolls and puzzles. Boss also has chased pigs and taken horse rides and also fished.

The school's Christmas show will be at 6 p.m. on Dec. 18.

The school marked Veterans Day with a visit from Tom Scroggins and Ike Dean — two veterans who live in the community. The ceremony began with placing the school's flag at half-staff in memory of the 13 people killed in the Fort Hood shootings. The students learned what a veteran is and Veterans Day is observed.

On Oct. 30, 75 people attended the Community Fall Get-Together. The potluck meal was topped with friend chicken as the main dish. After dinner, 22 children held an indoor Halloween costume parade.

Marsing parade dovetails with tree lighting event

The Christmas parade during the Marsing Chamber of Commerce's Day at the North Pole event on Dec. 12 will start at 4 p.m. in order to finish at Island Park in time for the 5 p.m. municipal tree lighting ceremony.

The family fun event will see the same activities as last year's initial launch, including the parade and tree lighting, vendors, food, free pictures with Santa

and the Grinch, entertainment including a planned appearance by the Marsing school choir, a decorated tree auction, food drive and more.

Organizers are looking for vendors, donators and persons or companies interested in decorating a tree for the auction.

For information or to get involved, contact Cathy Streibel at 896-7001.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

- Nov. 25-27: No school.
- Nov. 30: Sloppy Joe or hot dog, tots, fruit & veggie bar, chocolate pudding, milk.
- Dec. 1: Spaghetti or pizza hot pocket, French bread, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Dec. 2: Chicken nuggets or finger steaks, broccoli, cinnamon roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale Middle

- Nov. 25-27: No school.
- Nov. 30: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.
- Dec. 1: Wiener wrap or sloppy Joe, cake, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Dec. 2: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit rollup, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Homedale High

- Nov. 25-27: No school.
- Nov. 30: Cheese pizza, mini corn dogs or chef salad, fruit bar, brownie, milk.
- Dec. 1: Chicken tenders or wiener wrap, scalloped potatoes, fruit bar, fruit rollup, milk.
- Dec. 2: Enchilada, burrito or pizza hot pocket, baked potato, fruit & salad bar, milk.

Marsing

- Nov. 25-27: No school.
- Nov. 30: Lasagna, Italian bread, garden salad, corn dog, salad bar, milk, fruit bar.
- Dec. 1: Chicken nuggets, veggie, chicken fajita, maple bar, salad & fruit bar, milk.
- Dec. 2: Red Baron pizza, salad, sandwiches, salad & fruit bar, milk.

Bruneau

- Nov. 25-27: No school.
- Nov. 30: Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, wheat roll/butter, fruit cobbler, milk.
- Dec. 1: Burrito, chips & salsa, corn, fruit, milk.
- Dec. 2: Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, peaches, milk.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

- Nov. 25-26: Closed for Thanksgiving.
- Dec. 1: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, carrots, salad, roll, beverage.
- Dec. 2: Hearty beef stew, roll, beverage.

Marsing Senior Center

- Nov. 25-26: Closed. Thanksgiving holiday.
- Nov. 30: Breakfast to order. Special; Pancakes & eggs.

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You are all truly appreciated and we want to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your love and support.

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Calendar

Today

No events scheduled

Thursday

No events scheduled, Thanksgiving

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.

Celebrate Recovery 12-step program

6:30 p.m., dinner; 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., meeting, Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520

Saturday

Toys for Tots poker run

10 a.m., start; 4 p.m., chili and cornbread, \$5, Caba’s Restaurant, 2 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4182

Senior center dance

6 p.m. to 9 p.m., \$4 plus finger food, Homedale Senior Citizens’ Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Sunday

Melba Gun Club shoot

Noon, corner of Can-Ada and Baseline roads, Melba. (208) 495-2887

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

Exercise class

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

Senior citizens card games

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

AA meeting

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

Wednesday

TRIAD meeting

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

Homedale American Legion meetings

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

Thursday, Dec. 3

Owyhee County P&Z hearing

10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex Building, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2095

Exercise class

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

Senior citizens lunch

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

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. weigh-in, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893

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, Dec. 4

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.

Celebrate Recovery 12-step program

6:30 p.m., dinner; 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., meeting, Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520

Saturday, Dec. 5

Jordan Valley Christmas Bazaar

10 a.m. to 5 p.m., free admission, \$10 for booth space, Jordan Valley Lions Den. (541) 586-2213 or (541) 586-2275

Bruneau Silver Tea and Bazaar

1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Bruneau Community Church, 28568 Hyde St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2345

Monday, Dec. 7

Marsing P&Z Commission hearing

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

Narcotics Anonymous open meeting

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

Tuesday, Dec. 8

Exercise class

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

Ridgeview Irrigation District board meeting

1 p.m., 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

Senior citizens card games

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

Gem Irrigation District board meeting

1:15 p.m., 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

South Board of Control board meeting

1:30 p.m., 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

Jordan Valley City Council meeting

7 p.m., City Hall, 306 Blackaby Street, Jordan Valley, Ore. (541) 586-2460

Marsing American Legion and Auxiliary meeting

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

AA meeting

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

Marsing school board meeting

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

Wednesday, Dec. 9

Line dancing lessons

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

Homedale City Council meeting

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

Marsing City Council meeting

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

Grand View City Council meeting

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

Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. Drop off press releases at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to jon@owyheeavalanche.com (an e-mail link also is available on our Web site). For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.



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Winter coaches visit HTAA

The winter sports coaches will address the Homedale Trojan Athletic Association membership during next Wednesday's monthly meeting.

Athletic director David Hart announced that girls' basketball coach Jeremy Chamberlain, boys' basketball coach Kenny Thomas and wrestling coach Toby Johnson will talk about their seasons and teams. The junior varsity coaches have been invited to talk about their teams, too.

The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. inside the Homedale High School library.

The girls' basketball season has started, with the Trojans playing three games before press time Monday.

The boys' season begins Tuesday on the road against Nampa Christian.

Wrestling practice began Monday, and the Trojans' first meet is Dec. 10 in Boise against Bishop Kelly.

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Teens and Tweens plan scavenger hunt at library

A scavenger hunt will be held after a library tour during Tuesday’s Tween and Teen Program at the Homedale Public Library.

The evening begins at 6 p.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave. The event is open to ages 10-17.

There will be a prize for the

scavenger hunt winner as well as a door prize.

A book contest based on the Survivor TV show will be held, too, with participants voting on which books to eliminate.

In addition to the activities, refreshments such as homemade chocolate chip cookies, apples and hot cocoa will be served.

For more information, call the library at 337-4228 Monday or Tuesday between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

The library will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

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Law enforcement briefs

Owyhee County Sheriff's Office

In the period from Nov. 6 through Nov. 16, the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office logged 63 incidents and made three arrests.

Of the arrests on the incident log, two were out-of-county warrant arrests, and three were traffic-related.

The warrant arrest of Matthew E. Bronson, 21, made in Ruth, Nev., was in connection with a probation violation following his Sept. 2008 sentencing for grand theft.

An assault was reported in Marsing in the morning of Nov. 16, following a dispute at a workplace at an earlier time.

The incident is still under investigation, and the sheriff's office is not releasing details at this time,

Chief Deputy Bill Detweiler said Friday.

A man seeking treatment for a gunshot wound in Canyon County on Nov. 11 led to a query from the hospital, as all gunshot wounds are reported to law enforcement. The man, a Murphy-area resident, was getting ready to go coyote hunting when he accidentally discharged his rifle, shooting himself in the foot.

A friend drove the injured hunter to the hospital, where his wound raised questions. The man is not being charged.

An investigation is under way on a fraud case reported at the Holden Trailer Park in Grand View on Nov. 9. No details have been released on the nature of the case.

OCSO has not released any details of a Nov. 6 incident at Marsing Elementary School, when staff reported that a student had drug paraphernalia in their possession.

Marsing Elementary Principal Lil Stewart could not be reached for comment Friday.

Homedale Police Department

In the same period from Nov. 6 to Nov. 16, the Homedale Police Department logged 41 incidents and made four arrests. Two arrests were in connection with traffic violations, one was connected with the Homedale Middle School students who brought a large bag of marijuana to school, as was reported last week in The Owyhee Avalanche, and one was the battery arrest of Shannon Ithurnburn (Stewart).

Ithurnburn, 40, was arrested on Nov. 10 and faces two charges of battery, battery on an officer, resisting arrest and destruction of a telephone. Following an unwanted subject call at 5:01 p.m., HPD Officer Atanacio Montes responded to a home at 36 W. Owyhee Ave. in Homedale. Ithurnburn, who was at the home of her mother, Betty Duke, refused to leave the premises. In addition to physical battery charges arising from the dispute, Ithurnburn then reportedly kicked Wilder Officer Ian Takashige, who was assisting on the call, netting a charge of battery of an officer.

"We've dealt with her two or three times within the month," Cpl. Mike McFetridge said of Ithurnburn. He added that the department had had a number of run-ins with her several years previously, before she left the Homedale area. Alcohol may have been a factor in this incident, he said.

Homedale Ambulance, Sheriff

Daryl Crandall, HPD Chief Jeff Eidemiller, Montes and Takashige responded to the incident.

A pursuit occurred on Nov. 14 when an individual nearly struck Montes' patrol car after the suspect ran a stop sign at the corner of Owyhee Avenue and West 1st Street just after 9 p.m.

The individual abandoned their vehicle in the 600 block of West Montana Avenue and fled on foot, McFetridge said while describing the incident.

Montes pursued on foot but lost the individual. A tracking dog was brought in from Canyon County, but the suspect was not located. The HPD believes they have a good idea of who the individual is, and that the flight may stem from fear of a probation violation, McFetridge said, but the case is under investigation and further details have not been released.

— MML

Seminar targets identity theft threat

As identity theft surpasses illegal drugs as the most common crime, consumers may need to learn how to protect their identity, credit and future, according to identity theft educator Gerry Brown. A free seminar at Marsing's Lizard Butte Library at 111 S. 3rd Ave. W. on Monday at 6 p.m. will address those questions and concerns.

The Federal Trade Commission's "Deter, Detect,

Defend" program, along with support from the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office, the University of Idaho Extension Office, the Marsing School District, the City of Marsing and Brown, will share ways for citizens to protect themselves, and how to restore their identity should it be stolen.

While the elderly and minor children are targeted by thieves — especially in the growing theft

of identities for medical care — Brown said working-age adults are most at risk. Servicemen and -women have special issues, and soldiers on active duty have to take steps to avoid identity theft while overseas, he explained. Advice on those specific issues will be available at the seminar, he said.

Contact Brown for more information at (208) 896-4444.

OCSO replaces pickup with Charger

Agency looking for second vehicle after GMC Sierra bid snafu

The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office plan to replace two vehicles in its fleet has hit a snag after a local car dealership submitted an incorrect bid.

Sheriff Daryl Crandall told the Board of County Commissioners of his plan to purchase a 2009 Dodge Charger from Mountain Home Ford and a GMC Sierra pickup from Edmark Chevrolet.

Crandall reported on Nov. 17 that the vehicles would cost about \$21,000 apiece, which precludes the transactions from requiring more than one bid. State law mandates that government agencies secure three bids for purchases of \$25,000 or more. County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said that because the bids were below the \$25,000 threshold, the commissioners weren't required to vote to accept the bids.

Sherburn said the sheriff's office has \$45,000 in its fiscal year 2010 budget for vehicle purchases. The Charger and pickup would replace two F-150 Fords (a 2004 model and a 2006 model,

which is Backcountry Deputy Gary Olsen's vehicle).

"They're both well used," Chief Deputy Bill Detweiler said, adding that both rigs had more than 100,000 miles on them.

The Charger is expected in Murphy soon. The car, which has a V-8 Hemi engine, was one of two originally ordered by Jerome County. It became available when Jerome never took delivery. Owyhee County already has a six-cylinder Charger in service.

But Friday morning, Chief Deputy Bill Detweiler told The Owyhee Avalanche that an Edmark representative had reported that Nampa dealership's bid for the pickup was "about \$7,000 too low."

Detweiler said the sheriff's office is seeking other bids for the second vehicle, and that he expects the second bid to be within \$1,500 of the original — still under the \$25,000 threshold that would trigger the public notice of bid statute.

— JPB and MML

Sheriff still one deputy down

Jail takes on some of Canyon's overflow

The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office is short-handed by a man at present.

The vacancy left by the departure of Deputy Isaac Gordon to the Garden City Police Department last month is yet to be filled, Chief Deputy Bill Detweiler said Friday. That vacancy, along with the patrol position that was to have been filled by Deputy Jim Mackenzie, remain to bring the office to full strength.

The second patrol deputy post is slated to be filled by David Green, who has been rotated from duty at the Owyhee County Jail to the patrol branch, Detweiler said. Mackenzie returned to the jail to fill Green's position after failing to meet the physical requirements at the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training academy, and Green will instead attend POST academy for his patrol certification, he said.

While Green is field training, he will have to be paired with a POST-certified deputy, leaving patrol effectively 1 1/2 men down, Detweiler explained.

The vacancy stretches an already thinned roster more, Detweiler said.

"Even fully staffed (in line with OCSO's budget for officers) we're short," Detweiler said. "On average you have around 1.7 officers per 1,000 people ... we're lucky to have one."

Filling the vacancy has its own concerns, he said. While there are plenty of job seekers at present, finding one prepared to stay is a concern for rural law enforcement anywhere, he said.

"If the economy changes, are they going to stay here, or are they going to go someplace else?" he said. Some applicants see smaller organizations as a means to gain certification before moving to larger agencies, Detweiler said. Trying to make sure an applicant would stay in the county is a factor in any hiring decision.

"You get a lot that try to get into law enforcement ... (who) want to use a smaller department as a stepping

OCSO: Watch for pivot wire thieves

Authorities ask farmers and ranchers to stay alert after reports that irrigation pivot wire thefts are on the rise in Canyon County.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Cpl. Lynn Bowman said that no thefts have occurred on this side of the Snake River since the latest rash broke out. "Not yet. We want to get the word out so we can get more eyes and ears out there for us," Bowman said.

He said Canyon deputies saw an increase in thefts beginning about a week ago. Thieves have been known to strip the wire off pivots and recycle it for money to buy drugs.

Bowman urges anyone who sees anything suspicious not to approach the culprits. Witnesses should safely try to obtain vehicle information, including description and license plate number, and call sheriff's dispatch at (208) 495-1154.

stone (to another position)," he said.

Canyon County inmates held at jail

Detweiler confirmed that prisoners from the Canyon County Jail are being held by Owyhee County.

Canyon County pays daily incarceration fees.

It's not an unusual situation for jails to house inmates in neighboring areas. "I've seen it happen in Elmore, in Gem County," he said.

The Owyhee County Jail won't be filled to capacity with overflow from Canyon, Detweiler said.

"Space-wise, we're good," he said. "We always leave ourselves a cushion."

— MML

Homedale swine flu clinic treats 959

Following Marsing and Rimrock events last month, Homedale had its first H1N1 vaccination clinic on Nov. 18 at the armory building at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds.

Laurie Boston of Southwest District Health said that 959 of 1,200 available doses were given out to residents between 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

A total of 23 volunteers and staff, six of whom were vaccinators, worked through the afternoon

and early evening. Boston said the busiest times were the initial hour of the clinic, and the last two hours in the evening.

All but 100 of the doses available were the injected vaccine, Boston said, as supplies of the nasal mister were limited.

"We're at the mercy of the CDC (Center for Disease Control)," she said of the amount and nature of vaccine supply to SWDH in the future.

—MML

Murdocks and reindeer robbers to take center stage

The Homedale High School Drama Club will be providing holiday entertainment again this year with two plays: “The Murdock Family Christmas” and “The Robbed Reindeer.”

The double feature can be enjoyed for the price of a \$3 ticket, and will be unveiled on Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. on the high school stage at the old gym.

The Robbed Reindeer, written by Lindsay Price, will open the

show, followed by the original play The Murdock Family Christmas, written and produced by drama club instructor DeAnn Thatcher and the members of the drama club.

The Murdock Family Christmas is the second original piece the group has staged. Last year was the first, with Kelsey Thatcher’s adaptation for the stage of Richard Peck’s “A Long Way From Chicago”. This year’s play

is an all-original piece.

“It’s a work in progress, let me tell you,” DeAnn Thatcher said. The drama club fleshed out a basic idea nugget from a dinner play, developed its own characters and built its own plot, Thatcher said.

She’s pleased with the crop of new young thespians who have entered the club’s ranks this year.

“I’m really impressed with

this fresh group we have coming up,” she said. “We have had a lot of changeover this year.” A toll was taken on veteran actors due to driver’s ed classes, competing club activities and sports, Thatcher said.

The Murdock Family Cast includes Anthony Adams as Grandpa Murdock, Kim McAbee as Grandma Murdock, Lavon Bill as John Jones, Nিকেle Mainarick as Judy Murdock Jones, Kaitlyn Hardin as Granny Jones, Brook Fry as Nikki, Kirsi Thatcher as Abigail, Mackenzie McMichael as Aunt Joanie, Jake Murray as Dr. Chet Murdock, Corina Sanchez as Sarah (Chet’s wife), Daniel Silva (seventh grade) as Garth (Chet’s son), Diana Cook (4th grade) as Maci (Chet’s daughter), Jacob McAbee as Uncle Davey, Jarod Armenta as Cousin Chad, Kyla Hiser as Roberta, and Lyndee Coombs as the Grinch.

Tickets will be available at the door, or from any cast member from either production.



Above: Lyndee Coombs (and her dog Lucy) in makeup for rehearsal. Coombs plays the Grinch in The Murdock Family Christmas.



Above left: The Robbed Reindeer cast — Back row: Elizabeth Albor (backup singer/reporter), Taylor Vandeventer (backup singer/reporter), Mackenzie McMichael (news girl), Cameron McMichael (reporter), Jake Murray (Joe Mufferaw), Nicole Keller (Jane the papergirl), Angel Salazar (Mr. Johnson) Front row: Veronica Sanchez (backup singer/reporter), Patricia Smith (backup singer/reporter), Mariza Fernandez (elf), Nadine Wright (H.Q. Crankspea), Erin Shenk (Ms. Gladstone).

Court briefs

Caldwell resident Ana Delores Arenas-Valdez, 40, was found guilty of reckless driving after her charge was amended from DUI, following an arrest on Aug. 23.

Valdez was stopped by Homedale Police Officer Atanacio Montes. She was sentenced to a year’s probation and will face fees and fines of \$350.

Clinten Marinus Nielsen, 48, of Homedale, was found guilty of DUI (Commercial Vehicle) following an arrest on Aug. 27 by Montes. Nielsen will face \$500 in fees and fines, has had his license suspended for six months and will be on probation for two years.

He will also serve two days in jail.

C.J. Strike spillway closed through Dec. 18

The spillway at C.J. Strike Dam is closed to public access through Dec. 18 as crews from Idaho Power make repairs to the spill gates.

Idaho Power announced the work on Nov. 10, the day the spillway was closed.

Anglers, sight-seers and other residents will not be able to walk onto the spillway during the project. Fishing may still occur on the face of the dam. The company asks visitors to use caution while at the site, and to follow the guidelines of its safety policy.

Public access to the spillway is scheduled to resume at 11:59 p.m. on Dec. 18.

Brains and brawn meet at HMS

Big crowd sees HMS wrestlers excel

Several multiple-match winners left Homedale Middle School wrestling coach Toby Johnson beaming after Wednesday’s tri-meet.

“We looked good against Ontario and Weiser,” Johnson said. “We had a big crowd, and everyone enjoyed a lot of good wrestling.”

On a day that the Trojans’ wrestlers shared the spotlight with the school’s Academic Bowl team -- a coincidence Johnson said athletic director Nick Schamber dubbed the “Brawn and Brains Brawl” -- Devin Fisher and Trey Lane won three matches for HMS.

Abraham Monreal, Brady

Brown, Tristan Critchfield, Marcos Padilla, Luis Garza, Casey Hansen, Jed Jones, Curtis Stansell and Colton Grimm scored two victories apiece.

Other winners included Hernan Albor, Jose Lopez (2-1), Ali Garcia (1-1), Kyler Landa, Nathan Leslie, Jovan Cornejo and D.J. Vermeer.

Other wrestlers seeing action included Matt Garrison, Andy Martinez, Maurice Martinez, Marcos Ortiz, Marissa Guzman, Jaelynn Dowell and McKenzie Sutterfield.

Overall, Johnson said the Trojans on 68 percent of their matches, going 34-16.



Above: Abraham Monreal scores against his Weiser opponent at the middle school meet at HMS last Wednesday. Monreal took a victory on points, 9-8.



Above: Teams ready themselves for the first battery of questions Wednesday at the Homedale-hosted round of the Academic Bowl. Homedale, in red, placed fifth, while visiting Fruitland took the win at the meet. Six teams competed in answering questions running the gamut from math through history and into the realm of science.

Homedale hosts academic bowl

Brains were on display last Wednesday as Homedale Middle School hosted a round of the Academic Bowl.

The Trojans lagged a bit after a good first-round start, with the team coming in fifth in the final tally, with Fruitland taking first.

Teams, in order of final placement, were Fruitland,

McCain, Weiser, Payette Lakes, Homedale and Ontario.

The members of the HMS squad included: Grade 8 – Lauren Craft; Grade 7 – Ismael Fernandez, Daniel Silva and Spencer Mast; Grade 6 – Michael Lejardi, Megan Aman, Shayanne Kelly, Maddie Conant, Coty Ford and Maya Correa.

Trojan boys
basketball preview

Avalanche Sports

The date of the East-West Shrine All-Star Football games, originally set for Friday, has changed to 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday at Eagle High School.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2009

Shots fall, Huskies handle Homedale in girls hoops

Cold first half
negates Trojans'
defensive effort

Thursday's game carried a double-whammy for the girls' basketball teams from Homedale and Marsing high schools.

It was a contest of old rivals, and it was a season opener of sorts for both squads.

The Huskies (2-0 through Monday), who were opening their season, overcame shortcomings in several facets to prevail 36-28 in non-conference action on the Trojans' floor.

"Issues with timing, fundamentals, patience and turnovers, which are typical of early-season games, are the main things we noticed breaking the film down as areas we need to improve on," first-year Marsing coach Tim Little said.

"Desire and effort we there, and getting a win on the road to open up the season is a good start for us."

Junior Becca Cossel led the Huskies with 10 points and 15 rebounds.

Both teams struggled to put

the ball in the bottom of the net in the first quarter. Candy Leon's free throw 2 1/2 minutes in was the first point for the game, and the Trojans (0-3) didn't light up the scoreboard until Kortney Stansell's jump shot 4 1/2 minutes after the opening tip.

"I thought we did a very good job contesting shots and limiting Marsing to one shot per possession," Homedale coach Jeremy Chamberlain said. "Our struggle came on the other end of the floor, where we could not find any rhythm offensively."

Homedale hit only four of 30 shots in the first half (13.3 percent), but had improved to 18.9 percent (11-for-58) by the end of the game.

"At some point, I kept hoping the ball would just go through the basket and give us some momentum; that never happened," Chamberlain said.

After combining to score only 38 points in the first 24 minutes, with Marsing leading 22-16 after three quarters, the teams went on a virtual scoring fest in the final eight minutes with the Huskies holding a 14-12 lead in that time frame.

"We rebounded very well,



Farwell fires a high-arcing shot against Huskies

Homedale's Kylie Farwell launches a shot over Marsing's Kacie Hull as Trojans teammate Sydney Cornwall provides a screen Thursday. Farwell scored five points.

hustled and played good defense," Chamberlain said. "All three of those things kept us in the game."

Bryce Osborn scored seven points to lead Homedale, and Aubrey Nash added five points. Mayra Rodriguez added seven

points for Marsing, while Leon and Ashley Hull recorded six points apiece.

— JPB

Marsing boys focusing on fundamentals in early going

Marsing High School boys basketball coach JW Chadez is looking to give his players the tools they need to win.

Those tools aren't going to be catapults from three-point-land or two-hand slams; they're going to be things like defense, getting boards and ball handling.

"We're a motion offense, the key this year is to be more fundamentally sound," Chadez said Friday. "Last year we looked at doing bigger things. The kids needed smaller, fundamental things — like taking care of the basketball. No matter how well you play offensively, if you play poor defense, you'll lose."

Focusing on defense will help Chadez make the most of a squad that's athletic, but without the early-season big scorers that an offense-based team needs to compete.

The offense will get attention, despite a focus on defense, as Chadez wasn't satisfied with last year's numbers.

"Last year we averaged 44 points a game," he said. "We need about 55."

"We have pretty good athletes, but we don't have the big scorers, so right now we're working on playing our defense. Early in the season defense is always ahead of offense ... last year we

weren't physical enough, or good enough on the boards. Our leading rebounder last year averaged 5.5 rebounds per game."

With the sizable presence and athleticism of 6-foot-5 senior Ty Shippy and 6-foot-2 freshman Jason Galligan, Chadez is hoping for 16 or so rebounds per game.

"I'm really proud of the kids. They're working their tails off," he said. "Now we need to carry that confidence into the season. We're ahead of where we were last year."

This year 36 athletes turned out for the team, Chadez said, and everyone made the cut. The team has a lot of freshman and

sophomore faces, built around a core of returners. Varsity will field nine players, Junior Varsity-A 10 and JV-B 13.

Returners will be senior Ethan Salove, junior Agustin Paramo, senior guard Sammy Olvera, Shippy, and guard Tony Beagley, who was an occasional starter last year.

In addition to his height, Galligan will bear watching for his speed and athleticism. The freshman was an eye-opener at this summer's basketball camp in Homedale, during which he showed off his ability to dunk on fast breakaways.

"He's athletic (and) fast," Cha-

dez said of Galligan. Having that speed on tap, and Shippy's imposing presence on the floor, should be a challenge to opposing teams, Chadez hopes.

Looking at the season as a whole, Chadez expects Cole Valley Christian to be the biggest dog in the 2A Western Idaho Conference fight.

"Nampa Christian won't be quite as good, but they'll be big," he said. Melba, after the graduation of 6-foot-7 senior Doug Beus, will be more on a par with the rest of the league, he predicted.

Marsing opens varsity and junior varsity nonconference play in Adrian on Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.

Marsing beats GF; Trojans lose

Marsing High School's new girls' basketball coach, Tim Little, is off to a perfect start.

Ashley Hull scored 12 points Friday, and teammate Becca Cossel added eight as the Huskies beat visiting Glens Ferry, 33-22, in a non-conference game.

Nov. 17: Parma 63, Homedale 26 — The Trojans kept pace with the tough Panthers until Parma rattled off 10 consecutive points to break an 8-8 stalemate in the first quarter.

"This was a tough game to start the season with," Homedale coach Jeremy

Chamberlain said. "Parma returns their entire team, and we're starting from scratch.

"We had moments where we played very well, but overall Parma was just too good of a team for us to compete with at this point in the season."

Alli Nielsen led 2A Parma with 22 points.

Bryce Osborn scored seven points and Aubrey Nash added five for Homedale. Sydney Cornwall and Kortney Stansell scored four points each.

Homedale lost 52-47 to visiting Nampa Christian on Friday.

Richfield routs Rimrock

Two different post players provided top offensive efforts last week as Rimrock High School split its first games of the girls' basketball season.

Both non-conference games were played in Bruneau.

Thursday: Richfield 45, Rimrock 25 — Lyndie Gillespie, who put down half her team's eight field goals and scored 10 points as the Raiders struggled against the defending 1A, Div. II state champion.

Gillespie also collected nine of her 11 rebounds on the defensive end of the floor.

Tennie Kent hit four three-point goals and scored nearly half of Richfield's total, dropping

in 22 points. Miriam Rivas added 12 points for the Tigers, who heading into Tuesday's action had won 29 consecutive games stretching to February 2008.

Nov. 17: Rimrock 34, Castleford 24 — Senior Jackie Thurman scored two of her three three-point goals in a pivotal third quarter as the Raiders opened the 2009-10 season with a non-conference win. The three-pointers accounted for all of the post player's points.

Fellow senior Anna Cantrell led all scorers with 14 points, and she and Thurman recorded five steals each.

Callie Wiggins scored 11 points to pace the Wolves.

Sports

Trojans try to keep momentum for boys hoops season

Months after district title loss, coach hopes for same fan intensity

Kenny Thomas is lobbying his constituents for support as a new boys' basketball season looms. "I urge the town to come support us early," the fourth-year Homedale High School coach said. "Let's have the same type of fan support we had at the end of last season and have a true home-court advantage."

Calling the home crowd the Trojans' 6th Man, the former hometown athlete is gunning to start the season on the same high that Homedale ended the 2008-09 season. The Trojans wound up a win away from an automatic berth into the 3A state tournament, losing the District III championship game to Fruitland.

Homedale starts the 2009-2010 season on the road Tuesday

against Nampa Christian. The home opener is Dec. 3 against another 2A non-conference foe, Parma.

Thomas opens the season without the services of five seniors who were instrumental in last year's epic state berth chase. Wing Austin Emry, guard Ryan Garrett and posts Trevor Gibson, Grant Sweet and Rodrigo Villarreal all graduated in the spring.

"We won't have a standout," Thomas said of this year's roster. "To be successful, we must play together."

The coach admits there will be an inexperience factor to overcome, but he welcomes back four seniors:

- Ryan Ryska, 6-foot point guard — "He brings leadership

and toughness to the floor on both ends," Thomas said.

- Justin Harrell, 6-2 post — "He can play both inside and outside and works hard all the time he is on the floor," the coach said. He's also the tallest of the returners.
- Reece Landa, 6-0 wing — Thomas describes the top scorer returning from last year's team as "good shooter and a scrapper".
- Alex Mereness, 6-0 post — "He's a tough player who likes to mix it up with bigger guys," Thomas said.

The Trojans lack height, but Thomas points to strengths such as playing together and sharing duties on offense and playing lock-down defense.

There are several newcomers to the varsity, many of whom have had success at lower levels.

Sophomore Trey Corta, a 6-0 wing, is coming off a double first-team all-conference showing on

the football field. Thomas says the 10th-grader is just as versatile on the basketball court.

"He's a good all-around player," the coach said. "He's a tough defender and good scorer as well as passer."

Four juniors join the ranks:

- Kenny Esparza, 5-11 guard — Thomas calls him a "sneaky" defender with the quickness and ability to create his own shots on offense.
- Mario Gonzalez, 6-0 wing — Much like Esparza offensively with quickness and knack for scoring, Gonzalez is called a tough defender by his coach.
- Walter Almaraz, 5-11 guard — Thomas looks to Almaraz to create opportunities with what his characterized as a great shot and good court vision.
- Trevor Gibson, 6-3 post — The tallest player on the Trojans' roster, Gibson "battles inside and has a good mid to outside

jumpshot," Thomas said. "He will be able to help a lot."

Two seniors are classified as varsity newcomers by their coach:

- Jake Tolmie, 5-11 guard — Thomas calls him a tough defender and expects him to battle every second he's on the floor.
- Jordan Kennedy, 6-0 wing — "He's a hard-working kid," Thomas said. "He will never take a play off."

There are 40 players in the HHS program this season, including 27 junior varsity athletes. Casey Grove leads the A team, and Matt Holtry will coach the B squad.

— JPB



Kenny Thomas

Trojan Winter Sports



BASKETBALL

Boys basketball

Varsity
Tuesday, Dec. 1 at Nampa Christian, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Tuesday, Dec. 1 at Nampa Christian, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B
Tuesday, Dec. 1 at Nampa Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Girls basketball

Varsity
Tuesday, Dec. 1, home vs. Parma, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Tuesday, Dec. 1, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B
Tuesday, Dec. 1, home vs. Parma, 4:30 p.m.



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BASKETBALL

Girls' Basketball Varsity
Thursday, Dec 3 at North Star Charter, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Thursday, Dec 3 at North Star Charter, 5:30 p.m.

Boys' basketball Varsity
Tuesday, Dec. 1 at Adrian, 7 p.m.


Junior varsity A
Tuesday, Dec. 1 at Adrian, 5:30 p.m.

WRESTLING


Monday, Dec. 7 at Melba Jamboree, 6 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 11 at Calhoun Classic, Nyssa, Ore., 3 p.m.


Saturday, Dec. 12 at Calhoun Classic, Nyssa, Ore., 10 a.m.




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F&G plans to relocate Owyhee bighorns

Fifteen to twenty Owyhee County bighorn sheep will be moving to new homes before Christmas if everything goes according to plan.

The Idaho Fish and Game, in cooperation with the Bureau of Land Management, will be using a helicopter and nets to capture the sheep in the East Fork Owyhee River drainage. The animals will then be trucked to the West Fork Bruneau River and released. This release will supplement the existing sheep population in that area. Twelve bighorns were released there in 1982.

According to Dan Towell, Wildlife Research Biologist, in charge of the move, “The entire operations should take only a few days, if all goes well. However, equipment problems, difficulty in locating sheep, their inaccessibility once found or adverse weather could all affect the schedule, resulting in delays or even cancellation as happened in 1983.”

Two subspecies of bighorn sheep exist in Idaho, the Rocky Mountain and the California. The area south of I-84 has been designated by the Department as reserved for the California subspecies. During 1963, 19 California bighorn from British Columbia were released in Owyhee County. The initial release was followed with 19 additional sheep over the next few years. These few animals have blossomed into a population of approximately 350 animals and today makes up about 10 percent of the North American California bighorn sheep population.

Considerable bighorn habitat remains unoccupied in and around the steep canyon lands of Owyhee County. Since these animals do not naturally spread into new areas very quickly, transplanting becomes necessary.

Crash claims former Homedale mayor, George Murray

A Saturday auto accident claimed the life of long-time Homedale mayor and councilman George T. Murray, Jr.

The accident occurred on Homedale Road at the township correction corner about 8 miles east of Homedale.

Murray was mayor of Homedale for 13 years, and city councilman for seven years prior to being elected mayor. Last month he was chosen by the Homedale Chamber of Commerce as the honored civic leader of the year.

Former Homedale man presented FFA degree

The Future Farmers of America Honorary American Farmer Degree was conferred on Fred Faulks, Parma vocational agriculture instructor and FFA advisor, on Nov. 9 at the national FFA convention in Kansas City, Mo.

Fred, son of Glenn and Ella Faulks of Homedale, was raised on a farm eight miles southwest of Homedale. He studied vocational agriculture and was a member of the Homedale Chapter, Future Farmers of America, for his first three years at Homedale High School, at which time vo-ag was dropped because the building was condemned. He began his career in 4-H when he was twelve and caught his first calf in the Owyhee County Fair scramble. He joined the Sage Creek Livestock 4-H Club with Manford Stimmel as leader.

PTA hears volunteer program speaker

Candi Bicandi, vice president of the Homedale PTA, and Lynne Eccles, a special ed teacher at Homedale elementary schools, are seeking interest and recruiting volunteers for launching a new school volunteer program in the Homedale elementary levels.

Following a Thanksgiving presentation by Jan Tuckness’ second grade class at the Nov. 19 PTA meeting, Sharon McKuen, who is coordinator for the district-wide Boise Volunteer Program spoke to a full house attending the meeting.

Mrs. McKuen had helped initiate the new concept in the Boise schools about ten years ago, but had been involved in the program prior to that in a larger school district in Washington.

50 years ago

November 26, 1959

Firemen called to two fires Saturday morning

The Homedale volunteer firemen were called to two fires west of town and within a few miles of each other early Saturday morning.

About 60 tons of hay was destroyed at 4 a.m. Saturday morning on the Jim Graham farm when flames couldn’t be brought under control in high winds. The volunteers were unable to save even part of the stack and pooled their efforts in an attempt to save equipment and another hay stack nearby.

Fire Chief John Matteson said the fire was presumably caused by tree limbs blown into power lines by the wind. Sparks could be seen flying several hundred yards away.

The second fire was on the E. V. Radabaugh farm run by Jack Lentfer. A corral fire was reported to the fire station at 7 a.m. Several fence posts were burned and charred, but with the neighbors’ help, the firemen stopped any further damage that could be caused by the fire.

A false alarm was turned into the station Sunday but the person who called was unknown and the fire chief said he supposed it was a prankster.

Friends Church auction hailed a real success

The church benefit auction held last Saturday at the Homedale fairgrounds and armory was hailed as a real success in spite of the inclement weather which prevented many from attending.

The total proceeds of the three divisions will amount to approximately \$1650. This includes the lunch proceeds sponsored by the Friendship circle amounting to \$100.00 and the candy sales by the Youth department of the church in the amount of \$32.00

Many attend football banquet Friday night

Silver letters reading “Congratulations Champions” arched the background of the head table at the annual football banquet held Friday night at the Washington grade school.

A large crowd attended the dinner and received their fill of the excellently prepared ham and fish dishes.

The highlight of the evening was a talk given by Larry Jackson, St. Louis Cardinals pitcher.

Jackson won 13 games and lost 1 with St. Louis last season and predicted the Cardinals will be in the first division next year.

In his early years as a pro, Jackson received the Helms Foundation award for his promise as a rookie.

He complimented the team and coaches for losing only one game in two years and piling up 309 points to 6 for opponents, being scored on only once this year.

Les Carter, Kiwanis club president and chairman of the event, introduced Dr. R. George Wolff, who acted as master of ceremonies. Dr. Wolff in turn introduced coach Deward Bell, who introduced the boys while Mr. Carter presented awards.

Richard Frazier, superintendent of schools and chairman of the Snake River Valley conference trophy presented the Class B football trophy to the co-captains of the team, Johnny Uranga and Bruce Bergeson.

Coach Bell and assistant coach, Ted Shannon, were given gifts by Mr. Carter.

A demonstration of new football equipment was given by Flip Kleffner, Boise. As Mr. Kleffner explained how each piece was used as protection for the players and the cost of the equipment, the articles were passed through the audience for examination.

Kleffner said it costs between \$90 and \$100 per player to properly equip a high school football team with the latest in protective equipment.

The dinner was served by the high school girls home economics department and prepared buy the hot lunch room cooks.

The annual affair was sponsored by the Homedale Kiwanis club.

140 years ago

November 27, 1869

IMPORTANT EVENT. An event will occur in 1872 which will be of nearly as much importance, as well as of interest to astronomers, as the great eclipse of Aug. 7th. We shall then see the transit of the planet Venus across the sun’s disc. This event occurs periodically, but at alternating intervals of remarkable irregularity, the periods being 8 1/2 and 152 1/2 years. After 1872 the transit will be again visible in 1880, 2002, 2011, 2053, and so on beyond the kin of the youngest inhabitant now on earth. This transit will be observed with peculiar interest, as its condition will aid in the elucidation of several questions, and among others that of the exact distance of our earth from the sun. The last transit was seen in 1850.

GRAND JURY REPORT. Following is the Report of the Grand Jury to the Hon., the District Court Third Judicial District, I. T., October term, 1869:

We, the Grand Jury, offer the following report:
We have examined all matters brought before us, or of which we could get sufficient facts to satisfy investigation.

We have found two bills of indictment, one for murder and one for malfeasance in office, and made one presentment for receiving money for withholding testimony in the case of The People vs. Ah Choy and Ah Sam.

The case of the People vs. Ah Dick, charged with assault with intent to kill, was ignored.

The case of the People vs. W. S. Bell, charged with assault with intent to kill, was ignored.

The case of the People vs. Chas. Hanson, charged with obstructing the highway, was ignored.

The case of the People vs. Charles Isenbeck and R. M. Cook, charged with grand larceny, was ignored.

There having been, and now is engaged, a committee appointed by the honorable Board of County Commissioners, for the purpose of examining the books of the County Auditor and Recorder, and County Treasurer, this Grand Jury thought it inadvisable to consume their time by making a superficial examination of the books of the County, but would earnestly recommend that the next Grand Jury and County Commissioners make a careful examination of the financial affairs of the county. We find the County Jail in good condition and well kept.

We would call the serious attention of the Sheriff of the county to the fact that there are several stove-pipes at the upper end of Jordan street, Silver City, among the Chinese, which are dangerous, and should be immediately made safe.

The Grand Jury deem it but just in acknowledging the efficiency and promptness in which the Hon. J. R. Lewis, Judge of the Third Judicial District, the Sheriff and his deputies, and the District Attorney perform their duties, and especially do we congratulate the citizens of this county upon having at the head of the Judiciary one whose object is a just and equitable dispatch of business, thereby saving the county much unnecessary expense.

All of which is respectfully submitted. O. H. Purdy Foreman. Silver City, I. T., Nov. 17, 1869

A RUNAWAY. A two horse team, belonging to A. P. Minear, Esq., took fright at the sound of Frank’s gong, of the War Eagle Hotel, while the driver was unloading wood from the wagon to which it was attached, opposite the post office, on Thursday evening, and started down Washington street at a furious pace, distributing the wood very equitably along the entire length of the street. The driver was “distributed” near the express office. The horses kept on a few rods until the wagon upset, which brought them to a halt – no damage to driver, team, or wagon.

RETURNED. Mr. Blackinger, of the War Eagle Hotel, who has been absent for several weeks in California, returned this week. We learn that Mr. Blackinger and family, will settle permanently at San Diego, next spring.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense Thanksgiving in the 2009 recession

This Thanksgiving I am thankful for many things large and small. For instance, on the world stage I am thankful that Saddam Hussein finally got what he had coming. But I'm also thankful for more personal things like the fact that there are still airports and convenience stores that have pay phones! They are as rare as a kind word for a legislator, but they are essential to us Verizaphobics!

I'm thankful that we have not had a terrorist act in our country since 9/11, due to the strength and dedication of our troops who are still stationed around the world in harm's way. On a small note it is comforting that I can still find a restaurant that is not a chain store. One where the chef is really a chef and not a reheater!

I'm thankful to see roads being built and repaired as part of our economic stimulus plan. It's long overdue and it is creating jobs. Less world-shaking, I'm thankful I have friends and family who care enough to remind me of an anniversary, birthday, or obscure paid bank holiday that I probably would have forgotten.

I think it stems from being part of the agrarian community where every day's a holiday, or a work day, depending on your point of view. The livestock need fed rain or shine, Sunday or Monday, July 4th or April 15th.

This year I am particularly thankful to the pharmaceutical companies and university research scientists who have given us the miracles of modern medicine. Everywhere I turn our countrymen are living longer, healthier lives. I have loved ones who have been victims of heart attacks, Parkinson's, or cancer that a generation ago was a death sentence, but today I can call them on the phone and talk about something else!

I'm thankful for the abundant, safe food supply that is brought to us by modern agriculture and taken completely for granted. Nobody goes hungry because there isn't enough food produced. Repeat after me, "God is great and God is good, and we thank Him for this food."

I've always been aware that I didn't have to worry about my weight. I am thankful for that. Oh, sure, I wish I had a full head of hair, that I didn't have hay fever, or I could sing but, ya know, ya can't have everything, so I'm thankful for what I do have.

And finally this Thanksgiving I'm grateful that I have God in my life. It would be bleak if our existence on Earth had no purpose, no meaning. There wouldn't be much point in having a Thanksgiving Day and that would hurt. Because this Thursday I'll be sitting at the table with my family, including Mother, who is 90. I count my blessings and thank God every time she smiles at me.

— *Can't get enough Baxter? Visit his Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features, merchandise and his latest book, "The Back Page".*

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*



A letter from Pekin

The letter, hand-written in fading pencil, was in a cupboard on the second floor of the old false-front building that housed the Kuna Herald for nearly a half century.

The letter had been written in 1900 to Phil (P.J.) Gregory, the former publisher of the newspaper. He was probably in his early teens when he received it. The author of the letter was P.J.'s father, Theo G. Gregory. Theo was serving in the U.S. Army at the time.

In the summer of 1900, members of an anti-imperialism, anti-Christian group of Chinese called the "Society of Righteous and Harmonious Fists" — better known as the "Boxers" — laid siege to the foreign embassies in Pekin (now called Beijing) China. An eight-country alliance that included the United States, Great Britain and Japan, responded by landing a force of 20,000 troops who marched inland. They defeated the Chinese and raised the siege of the legations after 55 days.

Theo Gregory was a member of the relief force. The letter I found described what he saw. It should be remembered that at the time this was written, the term "politically incorrect" had not yet been invented.

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Pekin, China
Aug. 30, 1900
Dear Son;
I have neglected to write you. But I am at fault. I

could not find out where we were going to, so now I will tell you some things.

I had a hard time of it. I was to stay on board of the steamer, the Lenox. But at the last moment they shipped me to China and when we landed they put us with the 14th Infantry, one of the best regiments in the U.S.A. and you can bet they can fight.

We were in 19 engagements and you can not believe what a slaughtering they made. We did not destroy no less than 150 towns on our way and blowed up no less than 10 magazines. Such sights you should have seen and shooting artillery, Americans and all at a time.

Chinese dead and wounded all along the road for 13 miles. When we went in the 4th wall of Pekin there were 3 and 4 deep with dead and wounded. We rode over them with our pack train. Such a sight. I don't care to see anymore.

Well I am in the hospital and I will be out soon and as soon as I get a chance I will go home. I heard they are going to send us to Manila, P.I. I should like to go if I can and see that country. I have a few specimens of this country. I will send you one of the Chinese specimens of money.

Phil, there is not a good house from Fue Jou to

— See **Letter**, page 15A

Accuracy In Media A look at another behind "media reform"

by Cliff Kincaid

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign professor Robert W. McChesney has said that "media reform" should be part of the march toward socialism in America and that capitalism has to be dismantled "brick by brick." Van Jones, ousted "Green Jobs Czar" of the Obama administration, served with McChesney on the board of Free Press, a George Soros-funded organization, in 2007 and 2008.

Despite its socialist orientation, Free Press is financially supported by extremely wealthy individuals such as Soros, the leftist billionaire, and Marcy Carsey, one of the creators of The Cosby Show whose net worth has been estimated at \$600 million. Carsey serves on the Free Press board and donated \$50,000 to the Obama inauguration.

Where is the balance?

Jay Pearce, director of creative content of WILL Radio at the University of Illinois and executive producer of McChesney's radio show, said, "That's a good question," when asked why the radical "media scholar" fails to include interviews with any identifiable conservatives on the air.

Mark Leonard, general manager of WILL, said, "It doesn't concern me," about the lack of conservative guests. "What we celebrate is a diversity of points of view," he said, although he couldn't name one conservative on the air on WILL. He said he assumes that conservatives sometimes call into the "Media Matters" program, and that was good enough for him.

The biased programming contradicts the purposes of the Public Broadcasting Act of 1967, which created the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and requires objectivity and balance in programs funded by the CPB.

Recent shows and guests illustrate the one-sided news and information McChesney puts on the air:

- Wendell Potter speaks out on "the need for a fundamental overhaul of the American health care system ..."
- Glenn Greenwald "examines the manipulative electoral tactics used by the GOP and propagated by the establishment press."

- John Wilson, author of "President Barack Obama: A More Perfect Union."
- Robb Weissman examines "the activities of multinational companies."
- Kevin Phillips talks about his book on "the global crisis of American capitalism."
- Greg Mitchell, author of "Why Obama Won."
- Matthew Rothschild, editor of The Progressive magazine, "which is one of the leading voices for peace and social justice in this country."

On Feb. 18, 2007, McChesney interviewed Mark Lloyd, now the FCC chief diversity officer who was then a fellow at the Soros-funded Center for American Progress. He urged more federal involvement in telecommunications policy, including more tax dollars for "fully funded" public broadcasting. McChesney said Lloyd was so informative that he should be a "permanent guest." Lloyd returned the favor, saying, "Much of what I learned about public broadcasting, early years, came from reading you, Bob."

The partisan political agenda

While he postures as a "media scholar," McChesney is himself a political and partisan activist, as demonstrated in Federal Election Commission records. These disclose thousands of dollars in contributions from McChesney to political candidates, all of them Democrats except for one Green Party nominee in Illinois, a retired visiting professor at the University of Illinois named Carl Estabrook who was known for his far-left perspective on the Middle East.

McChesney used his radio show in 2002 to promote Estabrook, who holds the view that Israel is "a wholly-owned subsidiary of the United States government" and a "pariah state" engaged in an illegal occupation.

McChesney contributed to Obama's run for Senate in Illinois in 2004, and then-Rep. and now Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vermont). But in 2008, he supported Rep. Dennis Kucinich (D-Ohio), who advocated a federal "Department

— See **Media**, page 15A

Commentary

Financial management Legacy Drawer helps loved ones sort out finances

Dear Dave,
I've heard you talk about something you call The Legacy Drawer. What exactly is this, and what goes into it?
— Lisa



Dear Lisa,
One of the best ways I know to tell your family how much you love them is by having your financial act together and organized in a central location. The Legacy Drawer is a collection of your essential financial documents in a safe place where they can find them when you die, or if you're sick or disabled.
All of the pieces of your finan-

cial life should be in this drawer. I'm talking about your will, living will, estate plan, investment statements, insurance policies, and property deeds. You should also include stuff like power of attorney statements, access information to lock boxes, and other instructions to family and loved ones.
Make sure it's really well-

organized, too. It should be laid out simply enough that anyone who can read could open it up and find exactly what's needed in just a few minutes. The stress of having a loved one die or become seriously ill is bad enough. You don't want to make it any harder on them by leaving your finances in a mess!
— Dave

Dear Dave,
My wife and I make about \$85,000 a year. We're debt-free, and we have no kids. We'd like to start saving money to buy some land in the near future. What percentage of our savings should we

put toward this?
— Dennis
Dear Dennis,
I don't know if there's necessarily a specific percentage for this kind of thing. Since you guys are already debt-free you need to make sure that you've got a fully funded emergency fund of three to six months of expenses in place, along with retirement funding. In your case, anything else you have sitting around after that is simply wealth.
If you've got \$50,000 sitting in a savings account in addition to these things, and you'd rather have \$50,000 worth of dirt instead

of a bank account, I'm cool with that. It's really more a matter of ratios than percentages. Now, all this might change if you make \$15,000 a year instead of \$85,000 a year. I'm not going to put retirement on hold for 10 years to save up to buy dirt, either.
There needs to be a sensible balance, and you've got to make sure you have the important things covered first!
— Dave
— 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.

Letters to the editor

If it's not your land, don't trespass; no signs necessary

I appreciate the article written on hunters trespassing on privately owned ground ("Hunters need to be aware of private property rules", Nov. 11, 2009, The Owyhee Avalanche), although I do wonder why we have to say anything at all.
Why should we, as owners of the property, have to post our property with "No hunting or trespassing" signs? (Just to have the signs removed, in some cases).
Are people really that stupid that they don't know when a piece of property is not theirs or not? If so, then maybe these people should not have guns at all. (And, no, I am not against guns or hunting, just people who have no respect for other people.)
It is simple.
Not your property, no permission to be on it, no trespassing. Signed or not.
Michelle Redding
Homedale

Homedale-area cattle feeder speaks against health care bill

The following letter was written to Senate Majority leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) and sent to talk-radio host Rush Limbaugh with a forward to The Owyhee Avalanche.
— Ed.
As an American (U.S. citizen) I'm very troubled by the eagerness to pass or promote legislation that in fact the vast majority of legal and "tax-paying" citizens don't want. I consider that kind of arrogance to be a threat to our republic and our constitution.
Mr. Reid, there seems to be a notion that we are stupid.

Letters to the editor

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

The deadline for submitting letters is noon on Friday. Letters can be submitted in the these ways:

- E-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
- Faxed to (208) 337-4867
- Mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
- Dropped off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

Just go to work (if you still have a job), pay your taxes and we're really not interested in your opinion. Taxation without representation. Regulatory interference from our government has created this heath care mess in the first place.
We just recently let go of our health insurance because we could no longer afford to pay the premium. Now the House of Representatives proposes to fine me if I don't play their game, and you have shown prime-time support for it. If you and they are really not interested in my opinion, then I'm not going to be interested in paying my taxes.
We don't want "yours, or the President's" health care reform. We want a real free-market system and for a government to demonstrate respect for it's constitutional boundaries.
Rush, I am a family man that owns and operates a small custom cattle feeding business in Idaho and have appreciated your voice championing a free, and by in large intelligent society.
Dave Shenk
Homedale

✓ Media: Public radio host shows partisanship by supporting Dems

From Page 14A
of Peace," and former Democractic Sen. John Edwards, later exposed as an adulterer. Back in 2000, McChesney contributed to Ralph Nader's run for president.
On the Senate level, McChesney contributed financially to Democrats Russell Feingold of Wisconsin, Sherrod Brown of Ohio, Jon Tester of Montana, and James Webb of Virginia, as well as unsuccessful Democratic Connecticut Senate candidate Ned Lamont. McChesney featured both Brown and Sanders on his radio show several times.

The Center for American Progress
McChesney's Free Press is not alone in the effort to transform the media along Marxist lines. Supporting the project is the so-called Center for American Progress (CAP), the Soros-funded group that employed Lloyd before he joined the FCC as associate general counsel and chief diversity officer. CAP itself released a proposal for "an independent and stable funding stream for public media" in its *Change for America* book project. Sources for the report included books and articles by McChesney.
The author, Lauren Strayer, a producer at Air America, the liberal radio network that went through bankruptcy in 2006, contributed to the Free Press report, "Public Media's Moment," which urged "new public funding for new public media" and the creation of a "White House Commission on Public Media" to bring this about.
This same proposal was recently adopted by discredited former CBS Evening News anchorman Dan Rather during an appearance before the Aspen Institute. Rather was a featured speaker at the 2008 conference of Free Press and has become a hero of the progressive "media reform" movement.
— Cliff Kincaid is the editor of *Accuracy in Media*, and can be contacted at cliff.kincaid@aim.org.

✓ Letter: Century-old correspondence unique glimpse into foreign affairs

From Page 14A
Pekin and not a glass in a house. Towns as large as San Francisco and for a space of 75 - 175 miles. We had to drink water where dead Chinese were in.

You can bet the Japanese make good soldiers and they made lots of good Chinese. I saw them line up more than 3 to 5 Chinese together and shoot them ...
(Illegible.)
... It will be two months before I hear from you

so the sooner you write it will go on the first steamer which will go to China. So goodbye my son. Love to you and a kiss. My regards to all.

This father's message to his son was written before cell phones, e-mail, faxes or Twitter. P.J. probably didn't receive the August letter any sooner than Thanksgiving. One wonders how many youngsters in America, in 1900, had ever received a letter from China? The message was

something very special, which probably explains why I found it carefully preserved in a cupboard drawer more than a half century later.
About 25 years ago, I made a typed copy of the letter. I'm glad I did as the original has disappeared. It would have been a shame if the contents had been lost.
— 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.

Public notices

**SYNOPSIS OF
OWYHEE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 9, 2009
OWYHEE COUNTY
COURTHOUSE MURPHY,
IDAHO**

Payment of Bills: Current Expense \$44,975, Road & Bridge \$10,495, District Court \$1,573, County Fair \$566, Probation \$612, Health District \$4,100, Museum \$700, Indigent & Charity \$2,642, Jr. College \$1,350, Revaluation \$1,115, Solid Waste \$9,714, Tort \$232, Weed \$27, 911 \$1,150.

Approved tax cancellation on Parcel No. RP009100010090A In the amount of \$648.23.

Approved tax cancellation on Parcel No. MH0M0080140040A in the amount of \$128.28.

Approved addendum to PayPort Electronic Payments for purchase of Drivers License by credit card.

Approved the Agreement for Pathology Services with Ada County for Coroner Grimme.

Approved the Real Estate Agreement for Probation Department.

Approved a certificate of residency for attendance to CSI. Presentation on Snake River Canyon Scenic ByWay by Lyndell Jackson.

Indigent & Charity; lien-09-41, assignments to CAT n 08-18, 08-24, 08-28, 08-40, 09-07, denials- 09-37, 09-38, 09-39.

Approved letter to P& Z on application for broadband tower.

Approved use of Armory for a rabbit show in January.

Had a BLM Coordination meeting with the Jarbidge District.

Approved letter to BLM regarding Scoping Report, on the Boise District Road & Trail Maintenance Program.

Adopted Resolution 09-51 granting departmentis discretion of declaring a holiday on 11/27/09.

Executive Session I.C. 67-2345(11),(a),(b),(c),(d),(e),(f) Attorney memoirs.

The complete minutes can be viewed on line at owyheecounty.net or in the Clerkis office.

11/25/09

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC
HEARING**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the City of Marsing Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on December 7, 2009 at 7:00 pm at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho for the purpose of gathering public testimony regarding a proposed annexation and zoning of three parcels of land.

One parcel of land, commonly known, as the Marsing Labor Camp and to be zoned residential, is located contiguous to the City of Marsing on the east side of Highway 78, and more particularly described as: see attached sheet.

Total annexation of this property consists of 4.7 acres.

The second parcel of land, commonly known as the Marsing Housing Authority and to be zoned residential, is located contiguous to the City of Marsing on the east side of Highway 78, and more particularly described as

NW ¼, NW ¼, SW ¼, Section 3, T.2.N., R.4W., Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho

Total annexation of this property consists of approximately 10 acres.

The third parcel of land, commonly known as the Marsing Island Park and to be zoned open space, is situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, and more particularly described as:

That portion of Section 34 lying below the banks of, and above the ordinary high water mark of, the Snake River said property commonly known as Marsing Island Park, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Owyhee County, Idaho

All interested parties are invited to attend this public hearing. Written comment will be accepted at Marsing City Hall until December 7, 2009 at 5:00 pm.

Christy Martinat, Planning & Zoning Secretary
11/18,25/09

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV-2009-1320M
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

**STATE OF IDAHO,
COUNTY OF OWYHEE
MAGISTRATE DIVISION**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: JOHN L. MALMBERG, Deceased Person.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estate at the law office of JULIE ADAMS DEFORD, 317 12th Avenue South, Nampa, Idaho 83651.

DATED this 12th day of November, 2009.

/s/Helen Malmberg, Personal Representative
11/25;12/2,9/09

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S
SALE IN FORECLOSURE
CASE NO. CV 09-01182
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

NORTHWEST FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA, a Federally Chartered Instrumentality, Plaintiff,

Vs.

WILLIAM E. COFFELT and MELISA COFFELT, husband and wife, Defendants.

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE of a Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure and Order of Sale entered in the above entitled action in the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Owyhee on the 30th day of September, 2009, in which said action Plaintiff obtained a Judgment, Decree in Foreclosure and Order of Sale against William E. Coffelt and Melissa Coffelt, husband and wife, for the original judgment amount of \$190,647.71, in lawful money of the United States of America, including principal, interest, attorney’s fees, and expenses incurred under the terms of said mortgage, and the costs of suit.

Pursuant to a Writ of Execution issued by the Clerk of the above entitled Court on the 19th day of October, 2009, I, the Sheriff of Owyhee County, Idaho am commanded to sell a certain lot, piece or parcel of land situated

and lying and being in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, said property being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Township 4 South, Range 1 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, Section 23: North ½ of the Southwest ¼;

All water and water rights used upon or appurtenant to said property, however, evidenced;

Together with any and all tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or used in connection therewith.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, the 9th day of December, 2009, at the hour of 2:00 p.m., at the front entrance of the County Courthouse of Owyhee County, in Murphy, Idaho, I will, in obedience to said Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, and Execution issued pursuant thereto, sell the said property above described, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the indebtedness due the Plaintiff, with interest, costs and accruing costs at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, lawful money of the United States of America.

You are notified that the Plaintiff, Northwest Farm Credit Services, FLCA, may purchase the property by making a credit bid against the amount due it from the said Defendants pursuant to the Judgment.

You may contact Brandon Stacey whose address is 2225 W. Broadway Ave, Ste. A, Idaho Falls, ID 83402, and whose telephone number is (208) 552-2300, for specific information regarding the location of the property and the foreclosure.

As of October 1, 2009, there remained unpaid upon said Judgment total amount due of \$190,647.71, plus accrued and accruing costs permitted by law.

DATED This 28th day of October, 2009.

Owyhee County Sheriff
By Beverly L. White, Deputy
Ron Kerl, Esq. ISB#1768,
COOPER & LARSEN,
CHARTERED, 151 North Third Ave, Second Floor, PO Box 4229, Pocatello, ID 83205. Phone 208-235-1145 Fax 208-235-1182 Email: ron@cooper-larsen.com
11/18,25;12/2/09

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S
SALE**

**CASE NO. CV09-01104
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

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

Vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF EDD RIPPEE and CHARLOTTE I. RIPPEE; TOM RIPPEE, a single person; KATHY HOLLANDWORTH, a single person; STATE OF IDAHO; and RONI M. ATKINS, as personal representative of the estate of EDD RIPPEE and CHARLOTTE I. RIPPEE, Defendants.

Under and by virtue of a Decree of Foreclosure and Order of Sale issued out of the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Owyhee, on the 11th day of September, 2009, in the above entitled action, wherein the

above named plaintiff, obtained a judgment and decree against the defendants, Unknown Heirs and Devisees of EDD RIPPEE and CHARLOTTE I. RIPPEE, Tom Rippee, Kathy Hollandworth, State of Idaho, and Roni M. Atkins, as personal representative of the estate of Edd Rippee and Charlotte I. Rippee, I am commanded to sell that certain lot, piece of parcel of land, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

REAL PROPERTY:

Lot 1 of Block 1 of BIG SKY ESTATES NO. 1, to the City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That on the 9th day of December, 2009, at 2 o’clock p.m., of said day at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Murphy, County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, I will, in obedience to said Decree of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, sell the above described real property, or so much as may be necessary to satisfy the judgment of the plaintiff, with interest and costs, to the highest and best bidder for cash, lawful money of the United States of America.

Dated this 28th day of October, 2009.

DARYL CRANDALL, Sheriff
By Beverly L. White, Deputy Sheriff

Susan E. Wiebe, Attorney at Law, 802 Arthur, PO Box 606, Caldwell, ID 83606. 208-454-8771 Fax 208-454-9075. ISB# 3919. Attorney for Plaintiff.
11/18,25;12/2/09

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED
RENTAL OF WATER FROM
THE WATER SUPPLY BANK**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to IDAPA Rule 37.02.03.030 (Water Supply Bank Rule 30) that:

FLYING H FARMS PARTNERSHIP, 1130 SHWY 30, MOUNTAIN HOME, ID 83647 filed an application on January 27, 2009 to rent water from the Board’s Water Supply Bank for a period of 7 years beginning in 2010. The proposed rental would use water for irrigation of 1,430 acres of land generally located in sections 12, 13, and 24, T06S, R07E and sections 7, 18, and 19, T06S, R08E, Owyhee County. The renter proposes diversion of up to 28.6 cfs and 5,720 acre-feet of water per year from the Snake River at a point located in Gov’t Lot 4 (NW¼NW¼), T06S, R08E, Owyhee County.

Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Section 42-222, Idaho Code. Any protest against approval of the proposed

rental must be filed with the Idaho Department of Water Resources, PO BOX 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0098 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 on or before December 7, 2009. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Interim Director
11/18,25/09

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S
SALE**

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: October 23, 2009 File No.: 7777.11269 Sale date and time (local time): February 25, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 107 Silver Sage Place Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Gregory L. Andrews and Catherine Andrews, Joint Tenancy Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company of Canyon County Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Southstar Funding, LLC Recording date: September 2, 2005 Recorder’s instrument number: 253297 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of October 23, 2009: \$70,957.28 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is: Lot 2, Block 2, Silver Sage Subdivision No. 1, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat recorded May 29, 1998 as Instrument No. 225021, records of said County. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7777.11269) 1002.136212-FEI
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On February 08, 2010, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., at the Homedale Senior Center located at 224 W. Idaho Avenue, Homedale, Idaho, FONDA L. JOVICK, as Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash (the Trustee is authorized to make a credit bid for the Beneficiary), in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the Owyhee County, State of Idaho, to wit:

A portion of the Northeast Quarter Northeast Quarter of Section 21, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the South Boundary of the said Northeast Quarter Northeast Quarter which is 220 feet East of the Southwest corner of the said Northeast Quarter Northeast Quarter being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

North on a line parallel with the West boundary of the said Northeast Quarter Northeast Quarter to a point in the South boundary of the North One-Half Northeast One-Half Northeast Quarter Northeast Quarter which is 220 feet east of the Southwest corner of the said North One-Half North One-Half Northeast Quarter Northeast Quarter; thence

East along the South boundary of the said North One-Half North One-Half Northeast Quarter to the South Boundary of the said Northeast Quarter Northeast Quarter to a point which is 440 feet East of the Southwest corner of the said Northeast Quarter Northeast Quarter; thence

West along the South Boundary of the said Northeast Quarter Northeast Quarter a distance of 220 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

For the purpose of compliance with Idaho Code 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 7443 Trap Shoot Rd, Marsing, ID 83639 may sometimes be 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 Thomas M. Forster and Gail Forster, Husband and Wife, as Grantors, to Fonda L. Jovick as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Green Tree Servicing, LLC as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been recorded on April 06, 1998, as Instrument No. 224481 and Assignment of Mortgage recorded on July 27, 2009 as Instrument No. 268796, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The above Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(5)(a). No representation is made that they are or are not presently responsible for this obligation.

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure of the Grantors to pay when due, monthly installments as set forth on the Note secured by said Deed of Trust. Monthly installments in the amount of \$909.20, which includes principal, interest and escrow impounds is due for January, 2009 through September, 2009, and the 2nd day of each and every month thereafter until pad. Interest due as of September 11, 2009 is in the amount of \$6,630.80 and continues to accrue

at the rate of 7.75% per annum. All Delinquent amounts are now due and payable along with all costs and fees associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$113,983.89, plus accruing interest, fees and costs. 11/18,25;12/2,9/09

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
ATF4990906057-BO Title No. 4990906057-BO Customer Ref No. VMF No. 344404**

On Monday, March 15, 2010 at the hour of **2:00 o’clock P.M.**, of said day, **on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse** located at **20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650**, Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check, certified check or tellers check, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit:

This parcel is a portion of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 4 South, Range 1 East of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows:

C O M M E N C I N G a t the Southeast corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence North 00°42’06” East along the East boundary of said Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter a distance of 1312.18 feet to a point which lies 25.00 feet South of the centerline of the Oreana Loop Road as it now exists; thence

South 88°59’35” West parallel with said centerline a distance of 1073.45 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 01°00’25” East a distance of 208.71 feet; thence South 88°59’35” West parallel with said centerline a distance of 208.71 feet; thence North 01°00’25” West a distance of 208.71 feet; thence North 88°59’35” East parallel with said centerline a distance of 208.71 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: **21769 Oreana Loop Rd., Murphy, ID 83650**, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY.

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

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by John G. Bullington and Lalena D. Bullington, Husband and Wife, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. as Beneficiary, recorded December 5, 2007 as Instrument No. 263265, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

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

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

Make principal and interest payments as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$130,509.54 together with interest thereon at the rate of 8.30% per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated November 30, 2007. Payments are in default for the months of May 2009 through and including October 2009 in the amount of \$925.98 per month and continuing each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance as of October 19, 2009 is \$127,950.61 together with accrued and accruing interest thereon at the rate of 8.30% per annum. The per diem is \$26.82. In addition to the above, there is also due any late charges, advances, escrow collection fees, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure.

The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$127,950.61, excluding interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder or in this sale, as trustee’s fees and/or reasonable attorney’s fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust.

Dated: November 12, 2009
Alliance Title & Escrow Corp.
By: Bobbi Oldfield, Trust Officer
Phone: 208-947-1553
11/18,25;12/2,9/09

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

T.S. No. ID-09-232884-PJ On 2/22/2010, 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 M&T Bank 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: A parcel of land being a portion of the Northwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 3 North, Range 6 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. Being further described as follows: Beginning at a point being on the centerline of Highway 19 from which the North Quarter corner

of said Section bears North 00° 28’32” East a distance of 2659.80 feet; thence along said centerline, South 89° 45’15” West a distance of 742.86 feet; thence leaving said centerline, North 00° 00’19” West to a point on the centerline of the 57 Canal, a distance of 48.44 feet; thence along said Canal the following twenty four (24) courses: South 79° 29’10” West a distance of 22.34 feet; thence along a tangent circular curve to the right with a radius of 23.70 feet and a central angle of 99° 31’16” an arc length of 41.17 feet; North 00° 59’34” West a distance of 278.16 feet; along a tangent circular curve to the right with a radius of 93.37 feet and a central angle of 53° 26’16” an arc length of 87.08 feet; North 52° 26’42” East a distance of 152.32 feet; along a tangent circular curve to the left with a radius of 177.32 feet and a central angle of 42° 14’29” an arc length of 130.73 feet; North 10° 12’13” East a distance of 140.19 feet; North 10° 12’13” East a distance of 44.57 feet; North 10° 12’00” East a distance of 230.74 feet; along a tangent circular curve to the left with a radius of 520.87 feet and a central angle of 14° 12’12” an arc length of 129.12 feet; North 04° 00’12” West a distance of 61.95 feet; North 07° 22’34” West a distance of 36.94 feet; along a tangent circular curve to the right with a radius of 102.93 feet and a central angle of 45° 20’52” an arc length of 81.47 feet; North 37° 58’18” East a distance of 155.21 feet; along a tangent circular curve to the left with a radius of 119.72 feet and a central angle of 23° 36’54” an arc length of 49.34 feet; North 14° 21’24” East a distance of 17.15 feet; North 14° 21’24” East a distance of 367.10 feet; along a tangent circular curve to the right with a radius of 143.95 feet and a central angle of 41° 49’15” an arc length of 105.07 feet; North 56° 10’39” East a distance of 149.10 feet; North 35° 56’32” East a distance of 75.06 feet; North 15° 42’24” East a distance of 15.83 feet; North 15° 42’24” East a distance of 98.29 feet; North 08° 44’03” East a distance of 45.44 feet; along a tangent circular curve to the left with a radius of 45.53 feet and a central angle of 36° 28’21” an arc length of 28.98 feet; thence with a non-tangent line ‘ ‘ North 89° 04’07” East a distance of 27.72 feet; thence South 00° 28’23” West a distance of 2281.98 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. 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 1130 HIGHWAY 19, 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 MARIA RODRIGUEZ, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN as Grantor/Trutor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR M&T MORTGAGE CORPORATION, is named as Beneficiary and PIONEER TITLE CANYON COUNTY as Trustee and recorded 2/17/2006 as Instrument No. 255248 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 2/15/2006. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$2,037.11, due per month for the months of 10/1/2008 through 2/6/2009, 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 \$236,717.16 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.6250 per cent (%) per annum from 9/1/2008. 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: 10/21/2009 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 Tara Donzella, Assistant Vice President ***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# 3316565

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
T.S. No. ID-09-292528-TD
On 2/18/2010, 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 Wachovia Bank, N.A. (formerly known as First Union National Bank), as Trustee for Ace Securities Corporation Home Equity Loan Trust 1999-LB2 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: A parcel in the NW1/4 of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of said Section 5, T3N, R5W, B.M.; thence South 1A° 15’ East 1202.86 feet along the West boundary of said Section 5, to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 88A° 45’ East 3343 feet; thence South 1A° 15’ East 417.80 feet; thence South 88A° 45’ West 3343 feet to a point on the West line of said Section 5; thence North 1A° 15’ West 417.80 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. TOGETHER WITH a right of way for ingress and egress as described in the joint use and maintenance agreement recorded January 27, 1999 as Instrument No. 227351, Owyhee County records. 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 2800 Murrays Lane, 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 PAUL KELLY LOPEZ, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY as Grantor/Trutor, in which LONG BEACH MORTGAGE COMPANY, is named as Beneficiary and ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW CORP. as Trustee and recorded 5/20/1999 as Instrument No. 228637 in book xxx, page xxx 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 5/13/1999. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$805.73, due per month for the months of 3/1/2009 through 10/8/2009, 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 \$63,861.05 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 10.6250 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: 10/19/2009 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 Dieao, CA 92101 Tara Donzella, Assistant Vice President ***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# 3315857
11/4,11,18,25/09

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
On Thursday, the 11th day of March, 2010, at the hour of 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 1 OF BLOCK 3 OF EAGLE VIEW ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT NO. 215482 AND AMENDMENT THERETO RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT NO. 222082, RECORDS OF 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, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 12405 Cinnabar Way, Murphy, 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 ARTER A. SANDERS and LORI A. SANDERS, Husband and Wife, Grantor, to Charles W. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of NEW FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, recorded May 12, 2006, as Instrument No. 256337, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on May 12, 2006, as Instrument No. 256338, 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 May 4, 2006, in the amount of \$1,012.00 each, for the months of May through September, 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 5.21% per annum from April 1, 2009. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$143,997.77, plus accrued interest at the rate of 5.21% per annum from April 1, 2009.
DATED This 6th day of November, 2009.
/s/CHARLES W. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE
11/18,25;12/2,9/09

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The family of John Kushlan would like to thank everyone for their support and kindness following our loss. The cards, flowers, food, donations and words of encouragement were appreciated and let us know how well thought of John was in the community. Shirley Kushlan, Karen, Sherry, Debbie & Lynne Thank you to the citizens of Marsing for your support in the election. I look forward to serving you for the next four years. Aron Streibel

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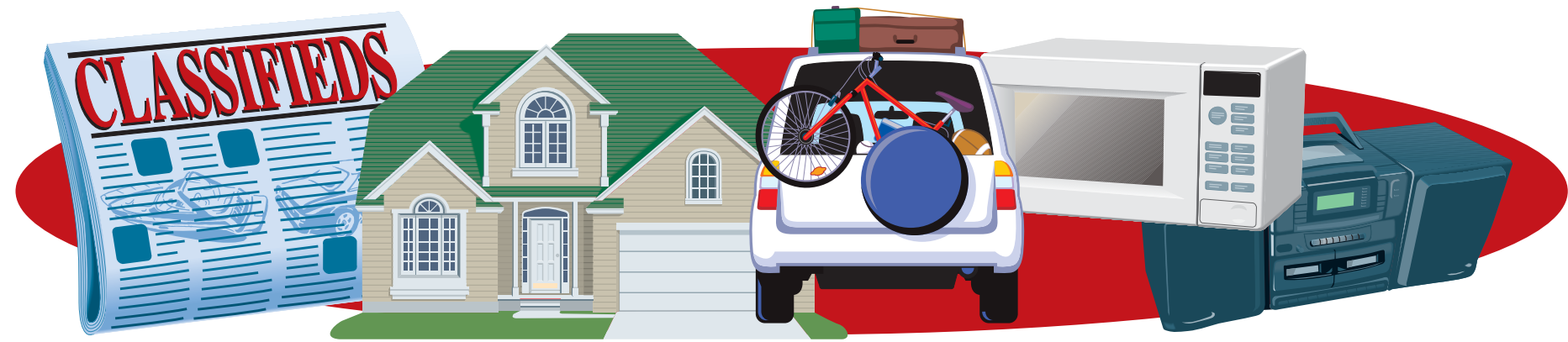
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