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2009 year-in-review



2009 saw triumphs, tragedies and remembrances, and a county that dealt with them all.

January

Alexandro Juan Dominguez, 26, died Jan. 1 when the Caterpillar loader he was piloting tipped over as he was moving feed at a Deruyter Dairy hay lot northwest of Marsing.

The Wilder Holiness Church Food Pantry announced it could no longer service Owyhee County residents.

On Jan. 5 George Hyer was sworn in as District 2 Owyhee County Commissioner. District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland began his second term in office. Douglas Emery became prosecuting attorney. Daryl Crandall became sheriff and Bill Detweiler was named chief deputy.

Arthur Schmierer of Homedale was arrested after allegedly attempting to solicit a minor over the Internet. Anthony Lazaro Quintana, a former Homedale resident

whose address is listed as Boise in court records, was charged with lewd conduct with two children under the age of 10 in an Owyhee County case.

American Ecology awarded nearly \$15,000 in grant money to more than a dozen organizations in Owyhee County. Libraries, schools and community centers will get assistance from the company that owns the U.S. Ecology Idaho (USEI) hazardous waste site outside Grand View.

Rotary International member Jerry Conger and fellow volunteers handed out dictionaries to each third-grader at Homedale Elementary School.

During its first meeting of the year on Jan. 14, the Homedale City Council approved the new airport ground lease agreement and passed the proposed vendor license on to the city Planning and Zoning

Commission for discussion and an eventual public hearing.

The Homedale Hawks Pathfinders presented 34 blankets to residents at Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation (OHR) in Homedale on Dec. 27. The holiday gifts were hand-made by the Pathfinders, who began sewing them in October, and finished just in time for the holidays.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller promoted Mike McFetridge to the rank of corporal and moved Atanacio Montes to the position of senior patrol officer while announcing the departure of Cpl. Perry Grant, at the Homedale city council meeting on Jan. 14.

The Senate passed the Omnibus Public Lands Management Act on Jan. 16, sending the bill that contains the Initiative to the House of Representatives.

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Hyer balks at lack of protocol in grant approval

Application for energy efficiency money submitted without vote

Citing a breach of protocol, District 2 Commissioner George Hyer abstained from voting on a resolution that could result in money for energy efficiency upgrades to county buildings.

County commissioners Jerry Hoagland (District 1) and Dick Freund (District 3) voted Dec. 22 to let a Boise startup company apply for a grant through the state Office of Energy Resources.

Dec. 18 was the application deadline for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG), and Hoagland and Freund signed off on the application in time even though the

BOCC minutes from Dec. 14 reflects no vote was taken.

Hyer said he didn't know the document was signed until Dec. 22.



George Hyer

On Dec. 14, Freund said he would contact Higher Power Energy LLC representative Paul Dietzler to discuss changes the commissioners wanted from the company's original proposal.

Hoagland said he and Freund signed the application on the advice of Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery. Hyer said while there was e-mail correspondence between the PA and the commissioners, he was unaware the

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Government offices close for New Year's holiday

All government offices — federal, county and city — will be closed Friday for New Year's Day.

Essential services, such as fire, ambulance and law enforcement, will be available.

All government offices will be open all day on Thursday (New Year's Eve), except for Marsing City Hall, which will close at noon.

The Owyhee Avalanche office will be open until 5 p.m. on

Thursday, but will be closed on Friday.

Newspaper deadlines will change for the Jan. 6 edition: Display advertising and letters to the editors are due at noon Thursday; legal notices are due at 5 p.m. Thursday; and the classified advertising deadline will remain the same: noon Monday.

Both Paul's Market in Homedale and the Snake River Mart in Marsing will remain open regular hours both Thursday and Friday.

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Bank’s donation furnishes parts of Rimrock

by Stevie Richardson

Students and faculty utilizing the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School library can kick back in style after a donation of furniture.

“The furniture adds a safe and comfortable place to study,” Rimrock student Travis Jackson said.

Key Bank also donated cabinets and workstations for use in classrooms throughout the school.

“It is a pleasure for KeyBank to support our community needs,” vice-president for community development Jennifer Seamons wrote to Rimrock in an e-mail.

Rimrock personally thanked Seamons and G. Sherman Allen for their work in securing the furniture and other components.



Above: Rimrock High School students, from left, Justin Black, Cruz Rodriguez and Diego Elizarraras relax in the library in chairs donated by KeyBank. Below: The donation also included workstations in the library and selected classrooms. Submitted photos



Freund named to BLM RAC for Boise

Commissioner replaces Aman on advisory board

Dick Freund has been named to the Resource Advisory Council for the Bureau of Land Management’s Boise District.

The District 3 Owyhee County Commissioner from Murphy announced his appointment at the board’s weekly meeting at the courthouse annex. He said he received his letter of appointment for a three-year term Dec. 21 from Interior Secretary Ken Salazar.

Freund replaces former Owyhee County Sheriff Gary Aman on the board. Aman stepped down when his tenure as sheriff ceased. While Freund happens to be from Owyhee County, any elected official from the Boise District’s area of coverage was eligible to



Dick Freund

apply for the position.

The 15-member panel provides advice and recommendations to the federal agency on resource and land management issues for about 5.4 million acres of public lands in southwestern Idaho.

Field offices in the Boise District include the Owyhee and Jarbidge areas.

Other people with Owyhee County ties on the Boise RAC include ranchers Donna Bennett, Brenda Richards and Ted Hoffman and Shoshone-Paiute Tribes cultural resources director Ted Howard.

Freund said he never has attended RAC meetings, which are held in Boise, but hopes to give the public a voice in dealings with the BLM.

Freund begins the final year of his four-year term as county commissioner next month.

— JPB



New location taking shape

Pruett Lumber is scheduled to move to a parcel next to Pruett Tire Center on U.S. Highway 95. The Homedale Planning and Zoning Commission will hear testimony on a proposed lot split for the business on Jan. 11.

P&Z public hearings set next month in Marsing, Homedale

Atkins reappointed to county board

The planning and zoning commissions for Marsing and Homedale will hold public hearings early next year.

The Marsing P&Z panel is up first, seeking public testimony regarding the city’s proposal to annex the Marsing Labor Camp.

The hearing begins at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St.

Public comment will be taken during the meeting, and written testimony can be submitted to city hall until 5 p.m. on Tuesday.

The Homedale P&Z board will hold a public hearing on a lot split on the location where the proposed Pruett Lumber yard and store will be built on U.S. Highway 95 next to Pruett Tire Center.

The hearing takes place at 7 p.m. on Jan. 11 at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

The lot split application and other details can be viewed at city hall during normal business hours.

Earlier this month, the Board of County Commissioners unanimously reappointed Clay Atkins of Bruneau to another three-year term on the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission. Atkins began serving in 2007.

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Commissioners appoint 911 advisory panel

Marsing law enforcement contract OK'd

The Board of County Commissioners tied up several loose ends in its final meeting of 2009 last week.

The commissioners finalized a list of emergency communications committee members who will help shape the county's 911 policy.

According to Resolution 09-57, the roster includes Rob Howarth for Marsing Fire and Ambulance (four-year term), Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller (four years), Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire Chief Wes Anderson (two years), Grand View Ambulance and Fire representative Donna Bennett (two years), Fire Chief Scott Salutregui for Homedale Fire and Ambulance (two years), Bruneau Quick Response Unit and Fire rep Sherry Colyer (two years), Assessor Brett Endicott (four years) and county Civil Defense coordinator Jim Desmond (four years).

While he is the administrator of the 911 system, the sheriff won't be a member of the advisory panel, although he is allowed to make recommendations on his own to the commissioners.

Crandall said during the departmental issues portion of the Dec. 22 meeting that he sent letters informing the candidates of their appointment a day earlier.

The committee appointments end a process that began in the summer when Crandall was instructed to form a committee to study the needs of the county dispatch center's 911 system.

The sheriff later applied for a state grant to finance a new center. District 3 Commissioner Dick Freund told The Owyhee Avalanche last week that he had been told by a state official that the grant had been rejected because it was submitted late.

The grant application was submitted by the deadline, but a signature page with endorsement

from the commissioners was sent four days later. Freund said the state panel in charge of awarding grants viewed the application as late because the authorizing signatures didn't arrive with the rest of the packet.

The grant application sought \$98,887.16 in state funds, and \$127,534.09 in county 911 trust fund money would have been added to purchase new 911 equipment.

Law enforcement contract approved

The commissioners unanimously approved a law enforcement contract with the City of Marsing for fiscal year 2010, including provisions for a school resource officer.

During discussion of fulfilling the SRO obligation, Crandall told the commissioners that Deputy Jeff Wasson patrols strictly in Marsing.

Crandall also expressed concern that the call volume in Marsing would increase if the city follows through on its plan to annex the Labor Camp.

He reported that call volume has remained steady in the winter, which is a departure from previous years when calls for assistance dwindled as the temperature dropped. Crandall didn't speculate on why the call volume has remained at levels not usually seen in the winter.

Crandall added that the same phenomenon is happening in Grand View and expressed concern that the constant activity may reflect the possibility of the call load handled by his deputies doubling in the summer.

The sheriff also offered a rough recap of the wrecks triggered by slick conditions during a Dec. 15 snowstorm, including one driver in a rollover accident who was arrested on a charge of felony in possession of a firearm when he emerged from his vehicle with a .22-caliber weapon. The sheriff didn't identify the person arrested during his report.

— JPB

Power outage hits Wilder, Homedale on Chmas Eve

A power outage briefly left nearly 1,100 Idaho Power customers without electricity Thursday morning.

A bird strike into one of the feeder lines servicing Homedale was to blame, according to a spokesperson for the utility company.

"A bird had a not-so-Merry Christmas," Stephanie McCurdy said.

The outage occurred at 10:08 a.m., and customers in parts of Homedale and Wilder were affected.

Crews had restored power by 10:53 a.m., McCurdy said.

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OHR residents get bright holiday



Above: Michelle Mitchell of Givens drops off some gifts at the Avalanche gift tree on Dec. 23. **Right:** Penny Riley came by shortly afterward to load up the gifts for their disbursement at Owyhee Health and Rehab on Thursday.



Santa spreads cheer at Owyhee Health and Rehab

Santa Claus made an early stop Dec. 21 at Owyhee Health and Rehab in Homedale, accompanied by the Sage Hen volunteers. The group brought homemade goodies for residents and made candy bags for those who couldn't attend the festivities at the center's common room.

From left, the elves and boss were Joyce Schermerhorn, Linda Redford, Sue VanKleek, Julia Burham, Debra Linder, Santa (Al Lindner), Pam Forrestier, Mary Brinker and Judi Hosking.

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Irrigation boards set to convene

The boards of directors from local irrigation districts will hold their regular monthly meetings Tuesday at the South Board of Control office.

The office is located at 118 S. 1st Street W., in Homedale.

The Ridgeview Irrigation District board will meet at 1 p.m.

The Gem Irrigation District will hold its meeting at 1:15 p.m.

The South Board of Control directors will meet at 1:30 p.m.



New store sells soaps and more
Boise Soapworks owner Cindy Clelland stands in her 134 W. Idaho Ave., shop in Homedale. Clelland is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, offering line of care products and collectibles. The store phone number is 337-3074.

Rustlers rare in Owyhee County

Though concerns exist for ranchers in Oregon and Nevada, and those who run cattle there, Idaho State Brand Inspector Larry Hayhurst said there were no known instances of organized cattle rustling in Owyhee County, despite a recent widely read Associated Press piece, picked up from The Oregonian, saying otherwise.

“That one article said we were missing 1,200 head of cattle from Murphy to Steens Mountain,” Hayhurst said. “That’s not true. A lot of ranchers have property into Owyhee County but they’re not missing them on the Idaho side, they’re missing them on the Oregon and Nevada side.”

“There’s an issue going on there (in Nevada and Oregon), that’s for sure,” Hayhurst said. “There is a problem over there. They’re missing a lot out of the Alvord Desert and the Steens, Roaring Springs.”

Hayhurst said he’s attended three meetings in McDermott, Nev. on the situation, and stays in touch with the brand inspectors of other states.

“Those guys in ’08 were losing a lot of cattle. I think it’ll be better in ’09, plus, these ranchers have dipped into their own pocket to bring out reward money ... so those things are all true,” Hayhurst said of the Oregon and Nevada thefts. “There’s a huge issue over there, but it’s not Owyhee County.”

That having been said, he pointed out that 200 head missing in Indian Valley last year have never been found, but while Owyhee County may not be free and clear of any cattle loss, it’s nothing out of the norm. Being alert, reporting anything out of the ordinary, and just keeping an eye on things is still good advice, he said.

With roundups and head counts underway, Hayhurst expects some numbers for Owyhee County will be available in January or February, which will be the earliest he has a look at what sort of loss will be reported for the year.

“I think the numbers in ’09 are going to look better because we have public awareness,” Hayhurst

said. “The problem with this (the AP story) is that I have everybody and their dog calling me, but it does make the public aware, so I don’t really care if it’s inaccurate or not.”

As to the areas that are being preyed on by rustlers, Hayhurst said investigations were under way,

“We will figure it out, sooner or later,” he said.

“And when we do, it’s not going to be a stranger.”

Whoever is taking cattle in the Nevada-Oregon area is familiar with the terrain, feeding schedules and handling stock, he said.

“They know how this game’s played.”

— MML

Correction

A caroler in the Marsing tree lighting photo was misidentified in the caption on Page 13 of the Dec. 16 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche. She is Katlyn Barkell.

Fitness class coming to Owyhee extension

The University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office is poised to help women with their New Year’s resolution of exercising more.

The next Strong Women, Stay Young series of classes will be held in January and February at the extension office, 238 8th Ave. W., in Marsing.

Marsha Lockard leads the classes that are based on a national fitness and nutrition program. The classes are open to women 35 and older in Owyhee County.

According to a press release, health experts recommend strength-training to middle-aged and older women because it improves muscle mass, bone density, balance and weight control. The loss of strength, achy joints, tiredness and weight gain that tend to accompany advancing years have more to do with inactivity than aging.

Participants will learn how to perform eight different strength-training exercises, as well as stretching and balance exercises. Each class will conclude with a short nutrition lesson, as well.

Classes will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the extension office.

The series begins with an orientation on Jan. 7.

Pre-register by contacting the extension office at (208) 896-

4104 or Lockard at mlockard@uidaho.edu.

Living on Land offered

The “Living on the Land — Stewardship for Small Acreages” class series begins Jan. 11 at the U of I Canyon County Extension Office. The U of I has offered the program for nine years. It’ll run 15 weeks through April 21, 2010.

The class is aimed at current and future landowners of small acreage property from small urban or suburban lots to small farms. Topics include zoning restrictions, choosing and caring for farm equipment, managing soil, composting, water quality, irrigation systems, weed and pest control, pasture and forage management, caring for animals, organic and market gardening, living with wildlife, and tax planning. Participants develop a plan for their property and share ideas with a team of expert instructors and other participants.

The class uses an experiential teaching model to develop a community of learners and instructors.

For registration information, call the Canyon County Extension Office at (208) 459-6003 or visit <http://www.extension.uidaho.edu/owyhee/ag.htm> for the registration brochure.

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✓ Protocol: County will pay \$4,000 for administration if grant awarded

Emery had given his consent. In abstaining from the Dec. 22 vote, Hyer admonished his colleagues for signing the document, invoking the flap created earlier this year when the sheriff's office was reprimanded for submitting grants without a BOCC vote. "I'm just trying to follow the guidelines that were set," Hyer said. Higher Power Energy has been authorized to apply a grant to finance upgrades that include solar-powered water heating for the

county jail, courthouse and courthouse annex in Murphy as well as updated windows and doors in the courthouse. Originally, Higher Power had proposed \$34,000 of the grant be used to buy solar-powered street lighting. According to Higher Power's proposal dated Dec. 1, the grant would total \$100,000. Dietzler filed the company as a limited liability corporation with the Secretary of State's office in July. If the state awards the grant, Owyhee County would be reim-

bursed for money it pays Dietzler's firm. There are no matching funds for the grant, Hoagland said. The only non-reimbursable county spending would be a \$4,000 administrative fee. Hoagland said there is skepticism in the county offices on whether the grant written by Higher Power would pass muster with the grant award panel. "The prosecutor and us thought there were so many holes in it that the grant staff would take a second look," Hoagland said. "The pros-

ecutor said he'd be surprised if we got it because (the grant application) was poorly developed." The commissioners selected Higher Power over well-established McKinstry, which had suggested a performance contract approach to beef up efficiency through windows, lighting and heating, ventilation and air conditioning upgrades. The company's representatives also put forth the idea of a future biofuels plant project that would — in theory — take the county complex off

the power grid. The commissioners were uncomfortable with the performance contract angle because it went beyond the scope of the original grant funding. They also expressed concerns that a county-run power plant would deprive private businesses of opportunity. Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff, who had facilitated contact with the energy companies, had recommended the BOCC select McKinstry. — JPB

✓ Year in review, 2009

From Page 1 Despite freezing rain and treacherous roads, more than 80 landowners and concerned residents attended the first meeting of a grassroots organization that seeks to have Idaho Power relocate its proposed 500-kilovolt (kV) Boardman to Hemingway Transmission (B2H) line route corridor.

The Bruneau Valley Library announced how it used a \$300 U.S. Ecology, Inc. grant. The grant, presented to library director and board members, was spent to buy non-fiction children's books.

Juan Carlos Meza, 19, of Homedale, was sentenced following a guilty plea on one of two counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon for an incident that occurred in Homedale in July 2008. Meza discharged a handgun multiple times toward a

tion District (OCD) annual awards banquet saw the 45 Ranch, LLC rewarded for its outstanding conservation efforts. A second award went to Sherry Trotter, NRCS Soil Conservationist.

The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners voted to submit District 3 Commissioner Dick Freund's name as a possible replacement for Gary Aman on the Bureau of Land Management's Boise District Resource Advisory Council (RAC). He was named to the council in December.

South Board maintenance worker Gary Wroten was honored with an Outstanding Employee Award by the Idaho Water Users Association during the IWUA's 71st annual convention in Boise in January.

February A crowd of potential bidders put

After more than a year of legal maneuvering, Homedale residents Deborah Hopson and Zachariah Robinson pled guilty to two misdemeanor counts each of animal cruelty on Feb. 6 and were sentenced to two years of probation.

At his Jan. 30 arraignment in Canyon County District Court, Homedale resident Arthur Gene Schmierer entered not guilty pleas to both enticement of children over the Internet and lewd conduct with a child under 16.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller presented Idaho National Guard Capt. Charles Garrison and Spec. Jack Macleod a plaque on Feb. 11 in appreciation of the local unit's cleanup efforts.

Third District Judge Gregory Culet ruled in favor of the City of Homedale in its court battle against Lurre Construction of Caldwell.

Local teachers Jennifer Martin and Jim Eisentrager — of Homedale and Marsing Middle Schools, respectively — were presented with \$9,980 checks as winners of Qwest Foundation for Education grants their proposed science class projects.

Homedale businessman Mark Jolley faces a Feb. 27 felony arraignment in Third District Court in Murphy after his preliminary hearing Feb. 23. Jolley entered not guilty pleas to both charges.

The owner of Allied Signs and the Owyhee Ice Cream Co., faced two counts of aggravated assault with the use of a deadly weapon. He was arrested on Dec. 8, 2008. He was later sentenced to three-to-five years on each conviction, suspended, and was placed on five years of supervised probation and 179 days in jail.

The Idaho Transportation Department announced that rehabilitation and overlay of the U.S. Highway 95 bridge deck in Homedale would begin. The project was slated to cost \$638,815.

The Homedale school district renewed the 2009-10 school year contracts for principals Mike Williams (high school), Luci Asumendi-Mereness (middle school) and Yvonne Ihli (elementary school) during the Feb. 9 meeting.

Fifteen participants ranging in age from 13 to 80 took part in the first Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training in Marsing in late February.

Homedale High School Language Arts teacher Harley Miller received a \$885.65 Governor's Innovative Grant Award

March

Bruneau's Colyer Herefords was honored with three champion bulls at last month's Fort Worth National Hereford Show in Texas.

The Grand View Water and Sewer Association and City Council both accepted the loan contract from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality during their joint Dec. 10 meeting. Grand View also pursued, and won, a \$360,000 Idaho Community Block

Grant to help fund its water and sewer project.

Gypsy Jackson, Herb Fritzley, Art Trogdon were all nominated and appointed to four-year terms on the Homedale planning and zoning board, while Jim Packer and Reed Batt were reappointed for six-year terms.

Idaho Power announced the Community Advisory Process to involve residents in the routing of the Boardman-to-Hemingway Transmission Project on March 4, following resistance from Stop Idaho Power, legislators and landowners.

The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners explored moving the county probation office to the new Marsing annex building in early March.

Homedale bridge construction began March 15. ITD crews also began a months-long shoulder-widening project on a seven-mile section of U.S. 95 between milepost 26 and milepost 33.

Jeff Jensen is the newest addition to the Homedale Police Department, hired in late October.

FFA members distributed approximately 1,000 pounds of pork on March 17. Twenty to 35 pounds of meat went to local families, with the rest handed over to local churches and the Homedale food bank.

Homedale officials said that a communication breakdown led to the city missing the deadline for filing requests for a piece of the massive federal stimulus package. The city had submitted applications seeking more than \$1 million to complete the rehabilitation of the sewer system and drill a well at Riverside Park.

The El-Ada Community Action Partnership was tabbed to act as a distributing agency for more than \$4,500 in federal money to emergency food and shelter programs in Owyhee County.

The Homedale and Marsing American Legion Auxiliaries — See Year, page 8



This quilt went for \$1,200 at the annual Marsing Disaster Auction in February.

pickup carrying two adults and 10 children, according to Homedale Police. Meza was sentenced Friday to 1½ years fixed, 7½ years indeterminate.

The Division of Motor Vehicles office inside Marsing City Hall was closed Jan. 22-23 as equipment was moved to the new county assessor's satellite office at 19 Reich St.

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tion District (OCD) annual awards banquet saw the 45 Ranch, LLC rewarded for its outstanding conservation efforts. A second award went to Sherry Trotter, NRCS Soil Conservationist.

The Owyhee County Fair Board met Feb. 5 to elect officers and conduct its usual meeting.

David Rutan was re-elected chair, Kelly Aberasturi was elected vice-chair and Kelly Haun will again be fair manager and secretary.

The Owyhee County Assessor's Office has entered the second year of its five-year reappraisal cycle, and Assessor Brett Endicott said it was too early to tell how the sagging economy will affect property values.

Jordan Valley High School senior Cole Scown was one of eight people to earn college scholarships during the Red Bluff (Calif.) Bull Sale on Jan. 31.

Obituaries

Robert Frederick Fisher

Robert Frederick Fisher, 79, of Homedale, died Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2009 at home. A Rosary was recited at 7:00 pm on Monday, Dec. 28, at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. A viewing was from 5 until 8:00 pm on Monday. A Funeral mass was held at 10:30 am on Tuesday, Dec. 29, at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, Caldwell, with interment following at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

Robert was born Nov. 21, 1930, at Caldwell, a son of John W. and Jennie Jesenko Fisher. After graduating from Homedale High

School he served in the US Army in Korea.

He married Beverly Glaze, to this union came four children. They were later divorced. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He buckarooed for 8 years on Flint Creek at the Bahem Ranch and for 10 years on South Mountain for the Pershall Ranch. His happiest time was working cattle and fixing fence on the mountain. He was employed by the City of Homedale for several years. He enjoyed parking his camp trailer in Pineridge during the summer and fishing.

Robert was preceded in death

by his parents, three brothers; John Fisher, Father Merle Fisher, and Paul Fisher, and his longtime companion Carol Reed. He is survived by his children: Deborah (Anthony) Ficarro, Linda (David) Ineck, Barbara (Geno) Byrne, and Chuck Fisher, 8 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, and a brother David (Kathy) Fisher.

Memorials may be given to the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association, c/o Flahiff Funeral Chapel, PO Box 366, Homedale, ID, 83628. Condolences may be submitted online at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com.



Richard James “Dick” Kershner

Richard James “Dick” Kershner, 72, of Jordan Valley, Oregon died December 26, 2009 surrounded by his wife and children.

Dick was born February 18, 1937 in Nevada City, California to George Henry “Hank” and Charlotte Kershner. He was the fifth of seven children and was raised in Homedale, Idaho.

He left home and joined the military as a Marine, after which he returned home to find that his mother and sisters had found him a wife. He married Marie Arritola June 18, 1960 in Homedale, Idaho. She was the light of his life, as were his four children, Hank (Judy) Kershner of McDermitt, NV, Chris (George) Elsner of Jordan Valley, OR, Paulette (Joe) Elsner of Castleford, ID, and Joanne (Rod) Steele of Ontario, OR.

Dick worked on various ranches



around the country buckarooing and breaking horses, and was known for his horsemanship. He was later employed by the city of Jordan Valley for almost 25 years until retirement. He spent 18 years serving his community as an EMT and volunteer firefighter. He was also the last city Marshal of Jordan Valley.

Dick enjoyed the outdoors. Hunting and fishing, especially

with the grandkids, was one of his favorite past times. He was an official member of the “old farts” club of Mrs. Z’s telling stories and spreading the bull. He and his long time friend Jim Zatica held the dubious “biggest liars” award.

Dick was very proud of his 14 grandkids, and would tell anyone who was willing to give an ear about their many accomplishments. He was a regular at many home and away sports events following grandkids, nieces and nephews. There were very few people in Jordan Valley and the surrounding area who didn’t know who Dick was, and they always enjoyed his company.

He is survived by his wife of almost 50 years, 4 children, 14 grandchildren, brother Vern (Bonnie) Kershner, Bobbie

Simon, Virginia Stanford, Sharon Swisher, and Beth Kershner. He was preceded in death by his mother, father, and infant sister Beverly, niece Kathy Fisher, and nephew Scott Schussler.

In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made to the JV Church of the Rock. The funeral was held in Jordan Valley, OR on December 29th 2009 at 2:00 p.m. in the old High School gym.

Death notice

EDWIN E. KING, 63, who attended school in Marsing, died Thursday, Dec. 17, 2009, at home. A memorial service was held Sunday, Dec. 27, 2009, at Celebrate Life Church in Nampa.

Senior menus

Homedale center

Roll and beverage included

Dec. 30: Baked chicken, noodles, broccoli & cauliflower.

Dec. 31: Roast pork, mashed potatoes, beets, gravy

Jan. 5: Spaghetti, salad

Jan. 6: Hearty beef stew

Marsing center

Dec. 30: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, broccoli, carrots, coleslaw, corn bread, apple/prune crunch

Dec. 31: Closed

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May you all be blessed with prosperity.

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Marsing Chamber of Commerce

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Dec. 30-Jan. 1: No school.

Jan. 4: Chicken tenders or country fried beef steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, cupcake, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

Jan. 5: Hamburger or fish sandwich, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Jan. 6: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, churro, milk.

Homedale Middle

Dec. 30-Jan. 1: No school.

Jan. 4: Hamburger or hot dog, fries, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.

Jan. 5: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon roll, milk.

Jan. 6: Enchilada or chicken & noodles, corn, fruit & veggie bar, turnover, milk.

Homedale High

Dec. 30-Jan. 1: No school.

Jan. 4: Pizza, chicken bacon melt or chef salad, fruit bar, strawberry shortcake, milk.

Jan. 5: Beef nuggets or chicken filet, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit bar, milk.

Jan. 6: Lasagna, burrito or pizza hot pocket, string cheese, French bread, fruit bar, milk.

Jan. 7: Chicken patty or hamburger, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar, sherbet cup, milk.

Jan. 8: Chicken taco or French dip sandwich, corn, fruit & salad bar, milk.

Jan. 11: Pizza, nachos or chef salad, fruit bar, cookie, milk.

Wedding

Gluch, Starr to wed at Boise LDS temple

Former Homedale resident TaraLynn Gluch will marry Ontario, Ore.’s Jordan Starr on Saturday, Jan. 2, 2010, at the Boise LDS Temple.

The bride is the daughter of Tim Gluch and Allynn Baker and now lives in Ontario. She attended Homedale schools.

She is the granddaughter of Ray and Helen Gluch of Pleasant Valley.

The groom is the son of Darla and John Starr of Ontario.

After the wedding, a reception will be held at 7 p.m. at the Four Rivers Cultural Center in Ontario.



Jordan Starr and TaraLynn Gluch

Gospel concert set for MV Nazarene

A traditional Southern gospel quartet will provide a concert Sunday at the Mountain View Church outside Homedale.

Boise-based Liberty will perform at the church, 26515 Ustick Road, at 10:30 a.m. The community is invited to this free show. A love offering will be taken to support the quartet’s ministry.

The quartet features bass vocalist Royce Mitchell, lead vocalist Dan Gilbert, tenor Keith Waggoner and baritone Jordan Cragun.

The group averages 50,000 to 70,000 miles a year, taking

its ministry to about 150 to 200 performances for church services, large conventions including the Great Western Southern Gospel Fan Festival, the National Quartet Convention, Pacific Gospel Music Convention, nursing homes, prisons, rodeos and fairs.

Liberty has had the opportunity to share the platform with groups such as Legacy Five, Greater Vision, Gaither Vocal Band, Poet Voices, Dixie Melody Boys, Florida Boys, Palmetto State Quartet and many others. Liberty averages two recording projects each year.

“Whether or not you are a fan of Southern Gospel music, you will certainly enjoy the enthusiasm these men exhibit while serving and singing unto the Lord,” a press release announcing their Mountain View performance said.

“Their ministry bridges all generations, bringing enjoyment to traditional venues as well as contemporary.”

For more information, contact Liberty Ministries, Inc., P.O. Box 4176, Boise, ID 83711 or (208) 938-9364 or www.libertyquartet.com.

Seniors host Fiesta Bowl viewing party

The Homedale Senior Center will help Boise State football fans see the Fiesta Bowl on Monday.

The center will host a viewing party for the bowl game between Boise State and Texas Christian. Admission is free, and there will be snacks and food available.

The game will be shown on the

center’s big-screen television.

The senior center also will host two Saturday night dances next month — on Jan. 9 and Jan. 23. The dances will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Admission is \$4 and folks are encouraged to bring finger food.

The senior center’s monthly

board of directors meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 13.

The center will sponsor a shopping trip on Jan. 12. The van will leave the center at 9 a.m., call to reserve a seat.

The center is located at 224 W. Idaho Ave. For more information, call 337-3020.



Bet You Didn’t Know

Sousa penned notes in honor of newspaper

John Phillip Sousa wrote the “Washington Post March” ... named it for the newspaper called ... yep, the Washington Post.

You wouldn’t be walking around a lot if you were at the bottom of the Mariana Trench ... the pressure on you at that depth is about 11,000 tons for each square meter. That’s about 36,000 feet below sea level.

Speaking of fish ... ever wonder why we get a slice of lemon with that fish? Well, it wasn’t to flavor the fish; it was used as a safety measure ... was once thought that if you swallowed a fish bone the lemon juice would dissolve it.

Almost half of the world’s population of pigs can be found in China.

Volcano erupted in Martinique in 1902. Killed more than 30,000 residents ... only one person escaped ... reason why? He was in jail ... the thick walls saved him.

We eat more herrings than any other type of fish ... has about the same amount of protein as a steak.

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

Six-week program will help kids read

Lizard Butte Library director Janna Streibel said she is excited to again offer the Every Child Ready to Read workshops in Marsing.

The six-week program begins on Jan. 12 at 10:30 a.m. The program involves young children and their parents or caregivers in learning the early literacy skills that can help prepare children for reading success in school, a release from Streibel said.

Each week, for six weeks, a different early literacy skill will be highlighted during the workshop.

“We will have time to practice the skill, each family will get a book to take home each week, and

learn fun interactive activities to use at home,” she wrote. “This is a fun family story time with a little extra for parents.”

The workshops are free; registration is required so the library can plan sufficient supplies. Those with questions can contact Streibel at 896-4690, or by e-mail at lizardbuttelibrary@yahoo.com or www.lizardbutte.lili.org.

The Lizard Butte Library plans to add a Wii to its arsenal for gaming night activities, Streibel said in other LBL news. The next slated game night will be Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m. Game nights are open to everyone in middle school or older, she said.

NYE dance set at Oreana hall

Proceeds from a New Year’s dance set for Thursday will benefit the Oreana Community Hall.

The dance will begin at 9 p.m.

at the hall and the charge is \$5 per person.

The Runnin’ For Cover Band will provide live music.

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Calendar

Today

No events scheduled

Thursday

- 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
- Vision Church food distribution**
Distribution is made at the Vision Church at 221 W. Main St. in Marsing.
For information or to make a donation call (208) 896-5407
- 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
- New Year’s dance**
9 p.m., \$5, Oreana Community Hall, Oreana

Friday

- 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
- Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon**
Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3271
- 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
- Marsing Planning and Zoning meeting**
7 p.m., City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing.

To submission information, call (208) 337-4681.

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selected candidates for June’s Idaho Syringa Girls’ State event. Homedale High School students Kortney Stansell and Carmen Zatica and Marsing’s Natalie Evans and Brisa Stahle were nominated by their respective towns’ Auxiliaries. Homedale also sponsored

Wilder High School student Britany Search.

The Homedale City Council voted March 11 to expand the fiscal year 2009 budget by \$1.5 million. The increase reflected water and sewer project funds one-time funds.

The Idaho State Lottery Enforcement Division, gave an order for the 60-year-old Marsing Disaster Auction to cease operations until it had purchased a charitable gaming license.

The Owyhee Initiative just missed passage as part of the omnibus lands bill on March 11.

The House vote was 282-144, two votes shy of two-thirds.

With bids from Titan Technologies on piping for the distribution system and Irminger Construction for the storage tank, wells and pump-houses in place, the final Marsing water project cost is estimated at \$3,253,427 — \$329,000 under expectations. In other council news, the city continued to discuss a proposed business license ordinance first examined in January.

The Marsing Rural Fire District began charging for false alarms. The district’s board of commissioners passed a resolution to establish a fee for responding — See *Year*, page 9

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to false alarms during its March meeting.

After nearly a decade of sweat and paperwork, Adrian’s \$1.4 million safe drinking water project is moving closer to completion, as city engineers begin putting together the system plans, Shawn Snyder, city clerk, said in the second week of March.

A gas leak at 19 W. Washington Ave., in Homedale, resulted in the evacuation of several surrounding houses at 10:30 a.m. on March 20. Workers digging around the corner of the unoccupied home’s foundation severed a plastic gas line with a shovel during the excavation

The Owyhee Irrigation District sets a tentative date for irrigation turn-on of April 13 at a March 17 joint meeting with the South Board of Control.

With a final total of 28 half-gallon jugs, Marsing Elementary students gathered close to 500 pounds of pennies in an effort to restore and move the Lincoln monument in front of the Idaho state capitol building in Boise as part of the “Pennies for Lincoln” fundraiser.

The Owyhee Initiative is signed into law on March 30 by President Barack Obama.

The Idaho Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee issued its budget, complete with a one-year freeze on automatic pay raises guaranteed in contracts and a 2.63 percent cut in funding for teachers and classified staff.

Anthony Lazaro Quintana, 31, of Boise — formerly a Homedale youth sports coach — entered a guilty plea to one felony count of lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor under 16 on March 27. Quintana was sentenced in May to four to six years in the state penitentiary (suspended), restitution of \$5,000 to the victims and seven years of supervised probation.

Marsing High School science teacher John Lindley was named the Capital Educators Federal Credit Union (Cap Ed) Teacher Grant winner for March in the Teacher of the Month program in the small school category.

April

Both Marsing and Homedale elementary schools received \$710,000 over five years from the Idaho 21st Century Community Learning Center grant program.

Mayor Harold Wilson voted to break a city council deadlock April 8 and approved an unscheduled 7.3 percent total pay raise for Homedale Police Department employees.

Four Canyon Owyhee School-Services Agency (COSSA) students medaled at this year’s Idaho

Skills USA competition on April 10: Edgar Aguilera, Shylah Eells, James Williams and Homedale’s Nestor Machuca brought home a gold in welding.

The Bureau of Land Management Boise District completed a Travel Management Plan for the 233,000-acre Murphy Subregion located within the Owyhee Front Special Recreation Management Area in Owyhee County.

The Board of County Commissioners approved former Canyon County deputy prosecutor Charles



Officers work to recover a body later identified as Jeff Schullery in April. Schullery had gone missing as early as the end of February.

(Chuck) L. Saari as a part-time deputy for Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery.

Cody Johnson, Dylan Kushlan and Aaron Proferes represented Homedale at the Boys State civics event on June 7-13. Marsing Legion Post 128 will sponsor John-Thomas Heidt and Bobby Blankenship.

As of April 20, the Homedale Volunteer Fire Department received 12 CPR training dummies from the Fraternal Order of Eagles, who footed the \$1,500 bill for the training equipment.

Voters in the Melba School District approved a \$410,000 supplemental levy. The levy, which will be used within the operational budget, passed by a margin of 68 percent in April 21 voting.

Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter signed the authorization for a \$500,000 Idaho Community Development Block Grant only five days after a Homedale delegation made a presentation to the state Economic Advisory Council.

A Homedale High School graduate died from alcohol poisoning after a night of drinking in Moscow on April 25. 23-year-old Daniel Miller, formerly of Wilder, was pronounced dead at Gritman Medical Center at 9:45 a.m. A 2004 HHS graduate, Miller was a first-team All-2A Western Idaho Conference linebacker as a senior for the Trojans’ 2003 2A football state semifinal team.

A local resident walking her dog discovered a body in a drainage ditch behind the Helena Chemi-

cal building on Industrial Road in Homedale on April 26.

The body was later identified as that of Jeff Schullery, 44. Cause of death was determined to be an overdose, though the nature of the specific drug involved was not released. Schullery had been reported as returning to the Homedale area at the end of February.

A fatal single-car accident occurred on U.S. Highway 95 at its intersection with Taxidermy Road just south of Homedale at approximately 8 a.m. on April 27.

Homedale High School students Reece and Conner Landa were in the vehicle. Reece, the driver,

was taken by helicopter to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, treated and later released. His younger brother, 14-year-old Conner, was ejected from the vehicle and killed in the crash. Conner was a freshman at Homedale, while Reece is in his junior year.

Exhibitors and excited, well-groomed Brittany spaniels gathered at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds on April 27, for the 2009 American Brittany Club Western Futurity.

More than 150 residents met to hear what Idaho Power and others had to say about the proposed route of the 500kV Gateway West transmission line on April 30 at the American Legion Hall in Bruneau.

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May

May 1 marked the dedication of the Owyhee Gardeners’ Native Plant Garden at the Marsing Community Garden near the school district complex on 8th Avenue West.

On May 5, Idaho State Patrol troopers arrested Lisa Jane Cascino, 40, at 111 N. 4th St. in Homedale, seizing drugs and a set of scales. The arrest followed the service of a search warrant on the house, lead investigator ISP Sgt. Jim Christensen said. John Wayne Richmond, Jr. of Homedale was also arrested.

The house, surrounded by chain-link fencing and accessed by a chained and padlocked steel gate, is within 200 yards of the elementary school.

The charge was later reduced to possession of a controlled sub-

stance. Richmond was arrested in December for soliciting the murder of HPD chief Jeff Eidemiller.

The Homedale Senior Center was the stage for a concert on May 7 at noon, with 17 Jordan Valley kindergartener and first- and second-grade students serenading those enjoying their lunch.

Arthur Gene Schmierer, former Homedale resident, presently residing in Caldwell, changed his plea to guilty on May 8 to child enticement and lewd conduct charges.

He was sentenced to five to 10 years in the state penitentiary following the plea change.

On May 11, Homedale City Councilman Tim Downing said that he wanted to discuss contracting law enforcement services with the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office as a way to save the city money.

A 12-year-old boy, later identified as Homedale Middle School sixth-grade student Marcos Jaramillo, died late in the day on May 11 after being shot in the head the pervious day by a female friend, age 14.

The incident was reported as an accidental shooting.

Jordan Valley High School’s

nine-student Class of 2009 held its graduation ceremony May 12.

The graduation class included five girls — Kayla Cuvelier, Emma Johnson, Catherine Kershner, Tessa Matteri, and Joaquina Naegle, and four boys — Zachary Fillmore, Alek Quintero, Cole Scown and Koehl Trautman.

Though calling the fatal shooting of Marcos Jaramillo an accident, Sheriff Daryl Crandall recommended a misdemeanor charge of negligent discharge of a firearm against the 14-year-old female who shot a 12-year-old friend May 10. Both attended Homedale Middle School.

County Prosecutor Douglas Emery confirmed the girl had been charged, and that she had retained counsel.


As the girl is a minor, neither her name nor details of any sentencing were released.

Homedale High School teachers Jim McMillan and Dennis Ankeny and Homedale Middle School librarian Susan Ankeny made their retirements official during a special meeting of the board of trustees.

Greenleaf resident Nathan Fisher, 19, was rescued following a rappelling mishap on May 21 at Jump Creek Falls.

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Ron Abramovich, NRCS Water Supply Specialist, and Norm Semanko, Idaho Water Users Association, will provide the latest information on current snow pack estimates and water availability for the 2010 growing season.

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Admit One
Idaho Irrigation Equipment Show & Conference
Thursday, January 7, 2010 8 am - 4:30 pm
Nampa Civic Center, 311 Third Street South
Nampa, Idaho - Exit 35

\$5.00

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Two amateur climbers visited the area for a day of rappelling down a several-hundred-foot cliff-face. A little before 3 p.m., the call went out for assistance as one wound up hanging from his rope more than a hundred feet down the cliff-side.

The City of Homedale settled vendor licensing and contracting for police protection with the county at the May 25 city council meeting.

After only one man, hot dog vendor Tom Murray, spoke up about the city's proposed zoning ordinance addressing temporary and transient vendors, the council unanimously adopted the new rules.

The discussion over handing Homedale's law enforcement responsibilities to the county sheriff's office has subsided. After almost an hour of debate, the issue was dropped.

On May 28 public comment was taken on the proposed Marsing Impact Area.

June

An unidentified recreationalist's report of a large, organized pot grow near Juniper Mountain led to combined personnel of the Bureau of Land Management and the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office pulling 12,545 seedling marijuana plants on June 5, BLM special agent in charge Loren Goode said.

Young anglers arrived early to get the best fishing spot on June 6 for the 10th Annual Leroy Breshers Memorial Fishing Day at Marsing Pond.

Flash floods hit Owyhee County hard in June. Water over the road forced the closure of Idaho high-

Creek. Reed drowned in the accident. Reed's body was recovered in the morning on June 7

The Jordan Valley resident retired Jan. 12 after 11 ½ years with OCSO. Reed's unoccupied Mustang was retrieved from the muddy Snake River on June 6. Searching family members discovered Reed's body the following day.

The Homedale School Board discontinued the school district's cross country program during its June 8 meeting, but there were no other substantial changes as trustees passed the fiscal year 2010 budget.

What Marsing School District business manager Debbie Holzhey described as a conservative budget was reviewed and comments were taken at a public hearing on June 9 at the district office. The proposed 2009-10 budget saw all salaries frozen.

Two women with Homedale ties competed in the 60th Miss Idaho Scholarship Pageant on June 12-13.

Lacey Vander Boegh and Alli Lance were among 22 young women taking part in the event.

Deborah Hopson and Zach Robinson appeared before Judge George A. Southworth in June in connection with the duo's original animal cruelty case, this time for a probation violation arising from reports that they had again begun collecting animals at their new residence in Melba in Canyon County.

The Owyhee County 4-H Horse Judging team placed third overall during national competition in Jackson, Miss. on June 26.

Mandy Brasher, Kortney Bahem and Evon Timmons received their awards during a banquet June 27.

Rylee Loucks, 7, brought home a top-five award from the National Old Time Fiddle Contest in



Pedracini Road in Murphy after June's flash floods

Weiser. She also finished fourth in the Small Fry Intermediate Novice division at the Nampa Civic Center.

A parade of 55 vintage Ford Model Ts traveled Owyhee County highways from Walter's Ferry Bridge through Homedale on June 29 as part of a centennial observance.

July

A formerly Melba-based Silver Falcon Mining mill is set to shift its operation to a location near Murphy.

The \$200,000 parcel adjoins Ridge Road (Silver City Road), and the mill was installed and under production by the end of September.

Garrett Bradshaw, 15, of Mountain Home drowned July 6 in the Bruneau River upstream of the Indian Bathtubs. The victim and three companions were swept over a low retaining dam while swimming, and Bradshaw was trapped in the turbulence below, Harvey Grimme, Owyhee County Coroner said.

The Board of County Commissioners approved more than \$3,500 on July 7 to buy a radio for each HPD squad car. This will allow police officers, who have UHF radios, to communicate with Homedale Fire and Ambulance personnel, who talk on the VHF band.

With the combination of government spending and dwindling revenues threatening fiscal soundness, the Board of County Commissioners declared it must approve all Owyhee County expenditures over \$250.

Facing more property assessment appeals than a year ago, the county Board of Equalization denied a greater number than in 2008. The board heard the last of 64 appeals on July 7 in Murphy.

Southwest District Health spokesperson Laurie Boston told The Owyhee Avalanche on July 13 that a mosquito trapped within the Bruneau townsite last week had tested positive for West Nile Virus.

Kurt Shanley was re-elected chairman of the board during the Homedale school trustees' annual meeting.

Zone 2 Trustee Tim Quintana also was sworn in for his next four-year term at the July 13 meeting. Zone 3 Trustee Kevin Miyasako will continue as vice chairman.

As some observers suspected, Michael Eby was named the Indoor Football League's Defensive Rookie of the Year in mid-July.

The 2002 Homedale High School graduate was tabbed for the postseason award after a first professional season in which he led the Billings Outlaws with 10 interceptions in 14 games. The free safety's pickoff total was tied for second in the IFL.

A 57-year-old man died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in the afternoon of July 15 on U.S. Highway 95.

Owyhee County chief deputy coroner Aaron Tines identified the man as Arden Ziegenmeyer of Caldwell. Tines said Ziegenmeyer used a handgun to shoot himself in the chest.

In July, Marsing High School celebrated the 70th anniversary of its first graduation. Three of those 1939 graduates survive today: Alpha Muldoon Percifield of Marsing, Dorothy Volkmer Richards of Boise and Spokane's Kimi Matsushita Fukukai.

South Mountain's Doug Rutan, 27, accepted the gavel from Bodie Clapier as the new president of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association on July 25.

August

The 75th Owyhee County Fair kicked off on Aug. 3, and the Rodeo saddled up two days later.

Resurfacing of a nine-mile stretch of Idaho highway 78 began in August. Central Paving Co. Inc. of Boise did the work on the \$1.8 million project that resurfaced the highway from its junction with Idaho 45 to Murphy. Work was wrapped up in September.

Marsing announced its proposed fiscal year 2010 budget, which comes in at \$2.5 million, down from \$4.8 million last year. The size of the drop is due to the water project funds shown in last year's budget, rather than cost-cutting.

Jessica Will of Marsing, 19-year-old daughter of Amber Will, was crowned queen out of a field

of eight contestants as Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen on Aug. 7.

Livestock sale treasurer Debbie Titus said the 81 sheep sold during the auction was the most since county fair auction staff began keeping records in 1991. Sixty-five each were sold in 1992 and 2008.

In all, 182 animals were sold this year, the fourth-highest total on record. Titus said the auction has brought in \$188,818 with add-ons and sales.

2009 saw another Owyhee County Fair record set as Conner Landa's FFA market hog sold — over the course of several rounds — for \$17,500. The money will go to the Conner Landa Memorial Scholarship fund that was also boosted at July's Conner Landa/Daniel Miller Memorial softball tournament in Homedale.

Marsing's new business license ordinance was approved Aug. 12, just weeks after Homedale passed a final version of its own license code. The ordinance was adopted during the monthly Marsing City Council meeting after eight months of discussion.

Five former Owyhee County Sheriff's Office employees seek unspecified damages in a lawsuit filed against Sheriff Daryl Crandall, OCSO and Owyhee County.

No dollar amount was attached to the 24-page document, but it was later revealed the five former employees are seeking general damages, court costs and attorney fees and other forms of relief totaling \$5 million.

The Bruneau-Grand View School District showed off building improvements with an open house and tour Aug. 16.

Financed by a bond valued at nearly \$5 million, capital improvements were carried out at Bruneau and Grand View Elementary schools and Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School. Patrons passed the bond in August 2007.

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

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

Three men were charged, and two arrested, in connection with pot grows in both Oregon and Owyhee County.

Javier Silva-Rangel, Froilan (or Froylan) Rubio-Gomez and Horacio Deavila-Cabrera were charged with conspiracy to manufacture and distribute 1,000 or more marijuana plants, a charge with a minimum 10-year sentence attached.

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County pot grows caught headlines all through 2009

way 78 after 9 p.m., and torrents of water washed out Pedracini Street in Murphy and left rocks and mud strewn on nearby Con Shea and Old Highway 45 roads.

Owyhee sheriff's personnel closed Idaho 78 after 9 p.m. on June 6 after a red Mustang driven by retired OCSO backcountry deputy George Reed was swept into the Snake River by a wall of water rushing down from Scorpion

The original case, which began in January 2008 and involved more than 30 horses and dogs, resulted in 24 months of probation for the pair, who may only own a specified number of animals, now.

A 50-year-old Marsing man, John Hance, died when the car in which he was riding ran off a highway and into the Payette River on June 19.

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Over three-quarters of residents voting in the Homedale school district chose to check yes for a \$520,000 special levy to cover its portion of the pot for the proposed \$5 million Canyon Owyhee School Services Agency (COSSA) tech center Aug. 27, the same day approval for the \$2.5 million federal grant for the project was officially awarded.

The strong support was in contrast to Marsing’s narrow defeat of its own two-year supplemental levy on Aug. 25. Notus, Parma and Wilder later passed their own levies.

A man led Homedale police officers on a chase reaching speeds of 100 mph on Aug. 29; in the process nearly striking another vehicle.

Local National Guardsmen attached to the 116th Cavalry Brigade Combat Team — which includes members from Owyhee County — are on alert to be activated for up to a year, according to an official announcement Sept. 5.

Owyhee County received a \$350,000 grant to create an emergency operations center in Murphy. Work on the center was completed by year’s end.

The Marsing School District board met Sept. 3 to consider a \$143,149 emergency levy for 2009-2010. The levy addressed operating funds for the district rather than matching funds for other projects, Marsing superintendent Harold Shockley said. The levy was instituted.

moved from Seattle’s Harborview Medical Center to a care facility in Nampa.

Jack Friedman, 53, of Marsing, was killed in a car-versus-semi collision at the intersection of Buntrock and Thompson roads near Marsing just before 8 p.m. on Sept. 21.

The 11th annual Jordan Valley Rope and Ride raised about \$20,000 during a three-day run at the Jordan Valley Rodeo Arena in September.

This year’s event, which as always benefits the Owyhee and Malheur Multiple Use and Legal Defense Funds, featured the usual cow dog trials, roping and stock saddle bronc riding.

An 11-year-old Homedale Middle School sixth-grader and his stepfather were injured when a

2,000 people this year.

Marsing’s mayor and city council met Oct. 14 with Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall, county Prosecutor Douglas Emery and county commissioners to discuss proposed changes to the expired law enforcement contract between Marsing and OCSO. The OCSO counteroffer, with additions by Emery, came in at \$86,385 — \$10,000 more than 2009.

Subsequently, the contract was reduced back to the \$76,000 level, but discussion over language continued, and the city and county eventually adopted a bundled version in which the prosecutor’s services were received in exchange for the water and sewer bill of the county’s Marsing Annex building. The law enforcement contract was also approved, with a clear city demand for an OCSO presence in the schools.

Homedale’s Ron Tibbett and Marsing resident Joseph Geary were killed in a single-car rollover Oct. 14 in Oregon.

Oregon State Police reported that the accident occurred near milepost 63 on U.S. Highway 95 south of Jordan Valley.

The individual brought a crossbow in October as an exhibit in his Fish and Game violation case and had not known that carrying a weapon into a courtroom was not the proper protocol, deputy magistrate criminal court clerk Dorla Stoneman said.

District 3 Commissioner Dick Freund said the county is continuing to pursue Homeland Security grant money, available under “hardening targets” programs, to secure the court building.

Ric Uria, Homedale Fire commissioner, handed the keys to the former Homedale 1994 Ford F-350 ambulance to Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire Chief Wes Anderson on Oct. 20. The rig put the Central Owyhee Quick Response Unit three years ahead of schedule, Anderson said, giving the QRU ground response ability, hopefully as soon as December or January.

Fifteen people graduated from the first Owyhee County Citizens Emergency Response Team training. The group received certificates Oct. 30 at the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing.

Harvey Grimme, Owyhee County coroner, was honored with the Mills-Adler Award at this year’s Idaho Association of Counties’ (IAC) annual conference in Coeur d’Alene.

An Owyhee country family got a treat on Halloween when Ron and Nancy Cunningham won the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association Heritage Fund drawing for a Dodge pickup.

November

Three incumbents were among candidates to win seats on their respective city councils in the Nov. 3 municipal elections in Owyhee

County.

In Grand View, incumbent Marie Hipwell, former councilman Franklin Hart and newcomer David Buffington were elected.

In Homedale, Tim Downing and Dave Downum each earned another four-year term on the council.

In Marsing, Aron Streibel, a Caldwell city police officer who once served as an Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputy, and a write-in candidate for office, received 44 votes. James Ferdinand also landed a seat with 44 votes.

Colyer Herefords of Bruneau was a winner at the American Royal National Hereford Show.

Southwest District Health (SWDH) inoculated approximately 420 Grand View and Bruneau area residents at the organization’s H1N1 swine flu shot clinic on Nov. 4. Another 400 people received shots Nov. 5 in Marsing.

Police netted a drug bust Nov. 12, after some Homedale Middle School students arrived at school with a bread bag full of marijuana. An HMS official contacted Homedale police after other students had reported the contraband.

Students had climbed a fence and entered the yard of Richard Stewart, 48, of Homedale and stripped leaves from a pot plant growing behind a shed on property at 214 W. 2nd St. S. The plants were screened by other vegetation, police said.

Homedale police arrested Stewart, seizing a large, mature plant and two or three juvenile specimens, HPD Chief Jeff Eidemiller said on Nov. 16.

Four middle school students involved were charged with felony drug possession, and five were expelled from school.

The El-Ada Community Action Partnership in Homedale saw great need in 2009. The organization witnessed a three-fold increase in emergency needs, and twice the usual demand for commodities.

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 in a five-hour period.

Homedale Mayor Harold Wilson confirmed on Nov. 20 that he has secured enough signatures to take the next step in the Local Improvement District process.

In his first-ever attempt in a power lifting competition, Todd Bahem, 16-year-old son of Christina DeVinaspre and Dave Bahem, bench-pressed 205 pounds to break an age-group state record that had stood for 11 years.

Kevin Lee Hansen, a Rimrock

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Rescuers carry Noah Morris, 11, on the night of Sept. 22.

David Michael Collier turned himself in at the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office on Sunday, following a chase that began at Whiskey Roe’s in Homedale.

Collier, who was on probation, was sentenced to one to four years in prison following a guilty plea to an eluding charge. He will serve the time concurrently with two Canyon and one Ada County convictions.

Malheur County Sheriff’s Office personnel spent all day Aug. 31 uprooting more than 8,800 more marijuana plants in a pot garden located just six miles from the two found and destroyed just two weeks earlier.

The garden, southwest of Jordan Valley near 15-Mile Creek, was spotted when an MCSO detective was making an overflight of the area, looking specifically for additional illegal activity, Undersheriff Brian Wolfe said on Sept. 1.

September

The Homedale School District, FFA advisor Lori Harrison and Mickey Cowger were named in a lawsuit filed by the parent of a then-freshman injured during a Sept. 21, 2007, Homecoming float accident. Ten unnamed defendants designated as “Does”.

The Board of County Commissioners approved a request to spend \$39,600 in Vessel Fund money to buy a new boat to bring waterway coverage back to Marsing.

The approval came after a presentation by county marine deputy John Nagel at the Sept. 8 commissioners meeting. The BOCC also approved the purchase of two portable radios for the marine unit.

Residents saw a bigger bill after Oct. 1 in Marsing for services, as the city boosted water rates by 49.9 percent and sewer by 33.7 percent to balance outlay in the enterprise funds for both.

The new numbers were unanimously adopted by the city council Sept. 9. More than 50 residents attended a Sept. 8 public meeting, addressing the proposed rate hikes for Marsing sewer and water.

A 19-year-old Homedale High School graduate was airlifted to a Seattle hospital Sept. 10 after falling 27 feet from of a fraternity house window at the University of Idaho in Moscow.

Amanda Andaverde, a 2008 HHS graduate, fell out of an open window in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house around 1 a.m. She remains under medical care at year’s end, having been

front-end loader tumbled into a 20-foot-deep ditch off Sage Road near Market on the night of Sept. 22. at approximately 9:30 p.m.

Noah Morris was evacuated by Life Flight with a severely broken leg, emergency workers said. On Sept. 24, the injured boy was flown to Salt Lake City for specialist care, according to friends of the family after spending the 23rd in the Intensive Care Unit at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center.

Doctors at first feared Morris might lose his severely damaged right leg, but muscle grafts appear to have been successful.

Both the Bruneau Quick Response Unit and Grand View Ambulance received state EMS grants totaling nearly \$150,000, which were among 18 that were awarded after 36 different applications were made statewide, according to Bruneau QRU’s Mary Tindall.

October

Homedale’s Lavon Calzacorta was in Hailey at the Trailing of the Sheep Festival Oct. 9-11, along with sheepdogs Tess and Gus, to take part in trials and events.

Calzacorta and Tess were the overall winner at the event, which organizers said drew 1,500 to

More Letters to Santa

Mary Jo Larzelier’s class

The following letters to Santa Claus written by Homedale Elementary School students were inadvertently left out of last week’s special section. All the letters did make it to the big guy in time for Christmas, though. The Owyhee Avalanche regrets the omission.

Dear Santa
How are you and Mrs. Clause, evls, and reindeer? Why are you at the North Pole? Are you cold? Does Frosty live up there? Where are your reindeer and sled? What is your real name? What do you reindeer eat? How do you make your reindeer fly?

What do you eat? Why do some people not beleve in you, like my friend Spencer? Are you magic? Why don’t you just take a plane? Do your elvs and reindeer get presents too? Do you think I am nice or nauty? Who makes the presents? Do you give a present to everybody? Do you know my Mom and Dad? Do you know everybody? How do you know if I’m nauty or nice? How do you know what people want if they don’t write to you or e-mail you? I will leave you milk and cookies on Christmas Eve. I don’t want much for Christmas. I just want two books and a ball of ruber bands. thank you santa!

love, Daniel Uranga

Dear Santa,
How are you?
Thank you for giving us presents. I am going to giv you cookies. How are the deers. How is Mr.s Clos? How are the elves doing? How are you Santa. You are my best friend. And you are my best holiday. I want pet shop animals. I want puppies that move. I want baby dolls. I want a fake lap top. I want yellow boots. I want a yellow sled. I want hanamotana close. I want more then that.

Love, Mia Navarro

Dear Santa,
How are you Santa?
If you go to my house I will leave cookies on the tabl for you.

Santa I want a DS for play gams. Are the kids are ok in the noth Pool. Want it snows I have fun than summr. Snow is batr than summr. I have anowst you are cool. Thak you.

Love, Francisco Ordaz

Dear Santa,
How are you? Is everything going smooovly? Can you bring us part of your snow? I want a new sled because myn is geting old. I am ging to give you speil cookies. Do you go to every house in the world? I am just asking because not every one selubrats Crismus. Brain work Santa what is the closis house that you have to drop presets in? Have a good trip. P.S. Thank you Santa.

Love, Gage Purdom

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the toys that I got last year. What I want for Christmas this year is shoes and clothes I also want a book. Well by the way how are you and Mrs. Claus what about the raindeer? What about up their in the north pole? At my house theirs some cookies for you and for the raindeer we have some carrits. Merry Christmas Santa.

Your friend, Kate Robinson

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is the North Pole? Are you cold? I bet you are. Is frosty in the North Pole? How are the snowmen? Does Rudolph

still have a shiny nose? Are the reindeer cold? Thank you for the presents. You are awsom! I will leave a present for you and the reindeer. What doe the reindeer like? You like cookies and milk. I want to spend time with family. How is the flying around the world in one night? How is life in North Pole? Do you give your self presents? You deserve them. You are great.

My name is Lizzy Schamber

Dear Santa,
How are you Santa? How are the reindeer? And hows the northpole? And how are the Elvs. How is Mrs. Claus. How are you Santaclaus? Santa can I please have a ginourmous stoft garaff? Thank you Santa.

Love, Adonis Stelzried

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer? And how are you and Mrs. Claus? Can you please bring me a dimend castle, a Rudolph the toy, elf toy, Frosty the toy, Mrs. Claus toy, elf toy, paint cet and also a Santa toy. And also a HanaMontana powster, Jewelry maker, A book about Christmas. I want this book Wembely Worried, The book zoom, make up, four fake puppie’s. How are you? Are you doing good Santa? Are you coming to my house because I mite will leve cookies and milk on the table for you on Chrismas eve? Thank you Santa.

Your friend, Trinity Thornton



Paul, Homedale Elementary School

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High School graduate accused of stealing funds from the school’s fledgling alumni association, entered a not guilty plea during a Nov. 23 hearing in an Ada County courtroom.

Homedale-area resident Dale Wilson, 71, was reported missing Nov. 25. The Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office and Homedale Police, along with firefighters, other emergency personnel and volunteers searched the area between Wilson’s home off Hill Road near North Side Road to Homedale proper without success.

His body, clad only in socks, was found one week later.

Fire officials worked to help two families displaced by a Thanksgiving Day fire that destroyed two residences on the west side of Homedale.

Homedale Fire Chief Scott Salutregui said one family was given money from the department’s Burnout Fund “on the spot” when the fire broke out Thursday afternoon. The second family received assistance Friday, he said.

December

Faye Pfrimmer, former Marsing mayor and councilperson, faced a Dec. 18 trial on three misdemeanor firearms charges, for what she

described as trying to be the good guy. The proceedings were later continued to February.

Idaho Transportation Department maintenance workers began widening the bridge that takes U.S. Highway 95 over a canal at Taxidermy Lane south of Homedale in early December. A maintenance worker on scene said the project is expected to last until February.

The Board of County Commissioners outlined a retention request for \$46,000 in Vessel Fund monies that otherwise would have had to be returned to the state.

Five Homedale Police officers and 11 people with ties to the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office took more than a dozen underprivileged children shopping Dec. 5.

David Rutan, two-team Owyhee County Fair Board member and current chair, announced his resignation at the Dec. 3 meeting of the fair board.

Homedale City Council members unanimously accepted a petition from affected property owners approving the Local Improvement District during their Dec. 9 meeting. The four councilmen also adopted the resolution establishing

intent to create an LID.

A former Homedale High School student was charged Dec. 9 with plotting to kill Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller.

John Wayne Richmond, Jr., 24, is charged with solicitation to commit murder, based on evidence the Canyon County Prosecutors’s office declined to comment on. Richmond is accused of attempting to trade drugs for a gun that was purported to be for use against Eidemiller to several undercover police officers in Caldwell. The investigation began Dec. 7.

Richmond offered a plea of not guilty at his Dec. 18 arraignment. He is slated for trial on March 30.

The Marsing school board on Dec. 8 accepted the resignation of superintendent Harold Shockley, effective the end of June.

After netting a total of more than 2,600 items, better than doubles last year’s record-setting holiday food and clothing drive,

Marsing FFA director Mike Martin and those taking part are organizing a food/toy/clothing bank to distribute the donations.

Homedale school superintendent Tim Rosandick said an electrical contractor will retrofit lighting fixtures in the high school and elementary school during the Christmas break in an effort to reduce power costs.

Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall visited Washington, D.C., in November to discuss federal funding and the battle against illegal marijuana grows.

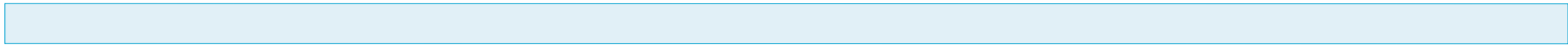
District 2 Commissioner George Hyer said that Crandall testified during his departmental report on Dec. 15 that marijuana grow seizures in Owyhee County carried out by multiple agencies accounted for 20 percent of the pot taken from illegal Idaho operations in 2009.

Winter officially arrived when Pat McCormick of the Owyhee County Road and Bridge department said that the Silver City Road had been closed for the winter to vehicles on Dec. 17.

— MML



Two families in Homedale lost everything to a Thanksgiving day blaze that consumed their homes on W. Owyhee Avenue.



Avalanche Sports

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2009

Payette hoops top Marsing boys

Despite a 23-point night for Agustin Paramo, Marsing High School suffered a 57-37 loss the 3A Snake River Valley conference Payette pirates on Dec. 22.

Marsing (3-3) went out to an early lead in the nonconference basketball matchup but was unable to keep the level of intensity where it needed to be.

“We started off well and played really hard,” Marsing coach JW Chadez said. “We were up 21-9 at the end of the first quarter. Then Payette was able to get in their press and we started to crumble.”

The team slipped back, going to

the locker room at the half down two at 29-27.

“We couldn’t handle the pressure and continued to make bad passes that resulted in lay ups,” Chadez said. “I firmly believe if we can learn to break a press we have a chance to play with anyone. Working hard on our press break will be a big focus in every practice from now on. In all three of our losses we have averaged 26 turnovers. My team is playing extremely hard and we have improved our rebounding. Now we just have to learn to execute better.”

Paramo led the Huskies with five steals. Freshman Jason

Galligan had 10 boards and four points, and Ethan Salove had seven rebounds and four points.

Tyler Kuder led Payette with 20 points and nine boards.

“He (Kuder) was really the turning point in the second quarter. He started dominating the paint which allowed them to continue to get into their press,” Chadez said

Heading into the Holiday Classic, which concludes today, Marsing had its eyes set on a win, he said.

“We will have a few days off for Christmas and get to work on Saturday and begin to break down our press breaker,” Chadez said.



Despite a 12-point lead in the first quarter, and 23 points from Husky senior sharpshooter Agustin Paramo, above, the Pirates managed to shut down the MHS offense.

The Owyhee Avalanche 2009 sports year-in-review

January

Marsing freshman Raymond Evans fell in the Rollie Lane Invitational 112-pound title match, 6-5, to Hayden Heap of Star Valley, Wyo., on Jan. 10. Evans’ performance helped the resurgent Huskies to 14 team points in the tough 47-team tournament that attracted schools from five states.

Evans would win a 2A/1A state title for the Huskies before moving to New Plymouth in his sophomore year.

Wrestlers from Homedale and Marsing squared off Jan. 6, with Huskies prevailing, 47-36, in the dual. Raymond Evans wrestled up at 125 to beat Philip Moulton, 12-11. Pins for Marsing came from Matt Merritt (130) and John Heidt. Danny Zenor (145), Kevin Abels (171), Cassidy Cook (189) and West Taggart (285) all had victories by pinfall for the Trojans.

Stifling defense in overtime allowed Homedale’s girls’ basketball team to post a 47-42 overtime victory over Payette on Jan. 8. Kendall Rupp’s driving shot with 2.8 seconds left in regulation sent the 3A Snake River Valley conference game into overtime. Rupp had seven steals and 16 rebounds.

The Rimrock girls ignored a three-week layoff and won for the 11th time in 13 games, capping a three-win week Jan. 10 with a 42-28 non-conference victory over Castleford fueled five three-point goals and 17 points from Jackie Thurman.

Anna Cantrell collected 13 of her 20 rebounds on Rimrock High School’s end of the floor Jan. 13 as the Raiders beat two-time defending 1A Nevada girls’ basketball state champion Owyhee, 53-40.

Marsing freshman Raymond Evans, who entered the Jan. 17 Magic Valley Classic as the second-ranked 2A/1A 112-pound wrestler in the state, ascended to the top by beating the previous Idaho Wrestling News No. 1, Zach Starr of Malad, in the championship match.

The Magic Valley Classic saw 23 teams turn out to grapple for the top,

and the Homedale wrestlers came in fifth, behind a championship performance by sophomore Justin Ensley. Ensley pinned 2008 2A state runner-up Dusty Lish of Soda Springs in the 119-pound title match.

Trailing by 10 points, the Jordan Valley boys’ basketball team rallied on Jan. 17 to beat Spray 48-43 to win a matchup of unbeaten 1A High Desert



Homedale 1968-69 championship coach Daryl Kellum, left, and members of the Trojans State hoops championship team reunited in January for the 40th anniversary of the victory.

League co-leaders. Jordan Valley (14-1 overall, 8-0 1A HDL) was paced by 18 points from Koehl Trautman.

Days after being installed as the top 112-pound wrestler among the 1A/2A ranks in Idaho, Marsing’s Raymond Evans beat Nyssa, Ore.’s Rocky Garcia for the Padilla Invitational championship in Parma on Jan. 24.

Jordan Valley’s boys’ basketball team was ranked No. 2 in the 1A Oregon state poll.

Leading throughout, the Marsing boys’ basketball team picked up their first 2A WIC win of the season Jan. 20.

Jose Paramo scored 20 points in a 59-55 win over Parma.

The No. 5 Adrian girls lost their first place spot in the 1A HDL after a 52-51 loss to No. 4 Crane on Jan. 24.

Analeise Mills of Bruneau won the 11- and 12-year-old girls’ championship title at the Mountain Home Elks Lodge No. 2276 Hoop Shoot Competition on Jan. 17.

Daniel Lode was ranked first for the

67-66 to Fruitland on Ty Pena’s free throws with 24.1 seconds left in OT.

Homedale fans marked the 40th anniversary of the school’s only boys’ basketball state championship during halftime of the Senior Night game against Fruitland. Players from the 1968-69 team who showed up for the ceremony included Stan Azteca, Gary Garrett, Dan Uranga, Jeff Haylett, Paul Pearson, Mike Pearson, Ruben Garcia, Steve Ross, Vernon Henson, Gary Vance and Dale Dickson. Coach Daryl Kellum also made a visit.

The Rimrock girls’ basketball team beat Cascade, 50-42, in a 1A, Div. I District III Tournament semifinal Feb. 7 to qualify for the state tournament. Jackie Thurman led with 14 points.

The Marsing girls’ basketball team’s season ended with two losses in the 2A District III Tournament. Marsing finished at 4-14 after a 57-40 loss to Nampa Christian at Vallivue High School in Caldwell on Feb. 5. The Huskies’ 13th consecutive loss was the last game for first-year coach Gloria King.

Sam Richardson scored 14 points and grabbed 12 rebounds Feb. 4 as Rimrock qualified for the 1A, Div. I district tournament with a 60-43 win over Idaho City.

Homedale sophomore Justin Ensley beat Jackson Blakely of Nampa’s Columbia for the 119-pound championship at the Weiser Invitational.

Alek Quintero scored 25 points Feb. 5 to lead top-ranked Jordan Valley to a 79-57 boys’ basketball win over Adrian. The fifth-ranked Adrian girls beat Jordan Valley, 47-27 behind 11 points and eight steals from Terra Rust.

Despite a sub-.500 record, the Homedale girls’ basketball team reached the 3A district tournament title game with a 41-32 upset victory over Weiser on Feb. 7. Ashley Thomson scored 10 points.

Jackie Thurman had 12 points and Anna Cantrell 14 rebounds on Feb.

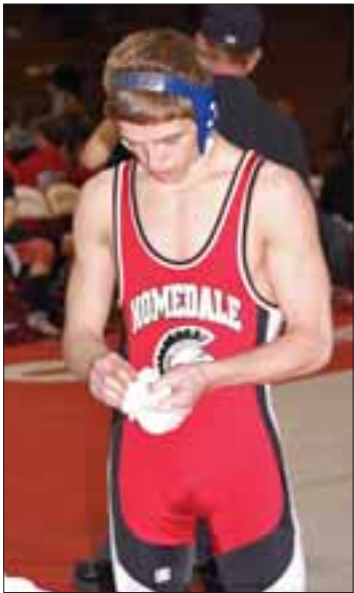
12 as Rimrock beat Tri-Valley, 31-26, in Boise for the 1A, Div. I district championship.

Fruitland dismantled Homedale, 54-28, in the girls’ basketball 3A district title game on Feb. 10. On Feb. 12, the Trojans’ season ended with a 48-32 loss to Weiser in the tournament’s second-place game.

Homedale was No. 2 seed in the 3A district tournament for boys’ basketball after losing, 49-38, to Fruitland in another battle for the 3A Snake River Valley conference lead.

Alek Quintero hit a three-pointer with six-tenths of a second left on Feb. 13 to lift Jordan Valley to the 1A HDL boys’ basketball championship with a 59-57 comeback win over previous league leader Crane.

Adrian 160-pound wrestler Daniel Lode won championships at the Pine Eagle Invitational in Halfway, Ore., on Feb. 14 and the Bank of Eastern Oregon Invitational on Feb. 7.



Justin Ensley

Homedale track state champion Austin Emry signed with University of Montana on an athletic scholarship.

Trojans Danny Zenor (145 pounds) and Justin Ensley (119) won wrestling — See *Sports*, page 14



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championships during the 3A District III Tournament held Feb. 21 inside the Homedale High School gymnasium. Nine Trojans qualified for the state meet in Pocatello.

Raymond Evans' district championship highlighted 11 Marsing wrestlers who went to the state tournament.

The girls' basketball season ended for Rimrock with two losses to Kendrick and Clearwater Valley in the

1A, Div. I Real Dairy Shootout state tournament.

Kenny Esparza scored 14 of his game-high 21 points in the fourth quarter on Feb. 18 as the Homedale junior varsity boys' basketball team came from behind to win the 3A SRV conference championship with a 60-57 victory over Payette in Fruitland.

The boys' basketball teams from Jordan Valley and Adrian qualified for the 1A state playoffs. The Mustangs

did so despite a 63-43 loss to Crane in the Feb. 21 District 8 title game, which ended a 15-game winning streak.

The Adrian girls also qualified for the state basketball playoffs after losing the district championship game, 38-25, to Crane on Feb. 21.

The boys' basketball season at Marsing ended with an 0-2 showing in the 2A District III Tournament.

Adrian graduate Maurus Hope set Northwest Nazarene University records in the 400- and 200-meter runs during a meet at BSU.

Homedale fifth- and sixth-grade girls' teams captured Nyssa Select Basketball League championships.

March

Marsing freshman Raymond Evans won the 1A/2A state championship at 112 pounds at the state wrestling meet at Idaho State University. Evans finished a 33-2 season with an 8-0 major decision over Zach Starr of Malad. Teammate Austin Glenn finished fifth at 171 pounds.

Homedale's Cassidy Cook was second at 189 pounds and teammate



Marsing's February duals featured some unique luchadore action before the tourney began.



Homedale v. Payette. Gregg Garrett photo.

Justin Ensley third at 119 in the 3A wrestling tournament at ISU.

The Trojans' boys' basketball team lost to Fruitland in the 3A district tournament championship game. Ty Pena's three-pointer with 28.4 seconds set up the Grizzlies' 60-55 victory in front of a standing-room-only crowd.

Adrian qualified for the 1A girls' basketball state tournament by beating District 2 champion St. Paul, 42-40. The boys' basketball teams from Adrian and Jordan Valley both lost in preliminary state playoffs action.

Rimrock's boys' basketball team was out of the 1A, Div. I district tournament after two consecutive losses.

Angel Cardenas' winning layup with two seconds left sealed a boys' basketball conference title for the Homedale Middle School seventh-grade team. The Trojans beat Fruitland, 38-37, in overtime.

Former Homedale and Eastern Oregon football standout Michael Eby made a professional debut with two interceptions and a pass breakup during the Billings Outlaws' 82-12 Indoor Football League victory over the Sioux City Bandits on March 15.

Homedale's Rodrigo Villarreal scored 20 points and Ryan Garrett had four triples and 17 points as the 3A all-stars beat the 2A club, 123-84, in the District III senior all-star game.

Former Rimrock quarterback TJ Snyder signed a letter of intent with the University of Montana Western.

Trent Acree won three titles and Homedale teammate Nickole D'Alessio one at the Ontario Icebreak-

er track meet. Adrian's Sammy Bowns won the girls' 3,000 meters.

Natalie Evans kicked off the track and field season for Marsing with two championships in a meet in Nampa on March 17.

April

Reece Landa and Ryan Garrett squared off in a tiebreaker for medalist honors while Homedale won the 3A SRV golf tournament played at Scotch Pines in Payette. Landa prevailed after both had finished regulation with nine-hole scores of 37.

Trent Acree and Nickole D'Alessio broke their own school records during a home meet for the Homedale track and field team. D'Alessio won the shot put and discus at the meet while moving her school shot put mark to 39 feet,



Trent Acree

5 inches. Acree soared 43-6 to break his own HHS triple jump record.

Evans returned later in the month for 800- and 1,600-meter wins in the 2A Western Idaho Conference meet at NNU in Nampa.

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Trojan Winter Sports



BASKETBALL



Boys basketball

Varsity
Tuesday, Jan. 5, home vs. Vale, Ore., 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Tuesday, Jan. 5, home vs. Vale, Ore., 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Tuesday, Jan. 5, home vs. Vale, Ore., 4:30 p.m.

Girls basketball

Varsity
Tuesday, Jan. 5 at Fruitland, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Tuesday, Jan. 5 at Fruitland, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Tuesday, Jan. 5 at Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.



WRESTLING

Tuesday, Jan. 5 at Adrian tri-meet with Marsing, 6 p.m.

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Two-time defending 3A state champion Austin Emry won the high jump at the YMCA Invitational in Boise.

Emry also won the long jump and high jump titles for Homedale at the 3A SRV conference meet. Trent Acree won the boys' 100 and 200, and Kindra Galloway won the girls' races at those distances.

Nickole D'Alessio won the shot put and discus, and Rachelle Christofersen triumphed in the long jump and triple jump.



Rimrock runners circled the bags against Marsing's softball team in April.

George Ellsworth's three-run walk-off home run propelled Adrian's baseball team to a 2A Wapiti League doubleheader sweep of Pine Eagle, giving the Antelopes more wins in 2009 than a year earlier.

May

Youth wrestler Nash Johnson won a freestyle and Greco-Roman championship at the Idaho Kids State Wrestling Tournament. Homedale Freestyle Club teammate Spencer Fisher also won a freestyle title. Matthew Renz of the Marsing Lions Wrestling Club won Greco-Roman and freestyle championships at the tournament.

Marsing rallied with two outs in the sixth inning to erase a one-run deficit and pull out a 9-3 non-conference baseball win over Homedale. Caitlyn Johnson knocked in two runs and went 2-for-4 as the Homedale softball team beat Marsing, 15-4, in five innings.

Homedale senior Grant Sweet fired an 85 to finish third in the 3A District III golf tournament and earn a ticket to the state tournament. Two

other Trojans — Ryan Ryska and Ryan Garrett — barely missed the cut for State during the district tournament at Terrace Lakes Golf Course.

Sweet finished 11th in the state tournament in Idaho Falls.

Four Owyhee country prep tennis players qualified for state tournaments: Bianca Hogrefe, a senior exchange student at Marsing; sophomore Tanner Lair, senior Jordan Meligan and the doubles team of Neil Doyle and Lisette Padilla for Homedale. Lair finished fourth at the 3A state tournament.

After a rocky regular season, the Homedale baseball team ended one win from the 3A state tournament after a 9-1 loss to Payette in the District III tournament in Payette. Zac Lowder tossed a five-inning no-hitter to kick off coach Burke Deal's team's run through the district tourney.

Four Adrian athletes — Belgian exchange student Lois Adam, Katie Bowns, Sammy Bowns and Ranea Orosco — qualified for the 1A Oregon state track and field championships. Bowns won the district title in the triple jump, and sister Sammy won the 1,500 meters.

Seven Homedale athletes qualified for the 3A state meet as Trent Acree won District III crowns in the 100, 200 and triple jump. Austin Emry won the high jump and long jump. Nickole D'Alessio (discus), Rachelle Christofersen (long jump) and Annamaria Salas (triple jump) also won district titles. Other State qualifiers included Kindra Galloway (long jump) and Angelica Garibay (3,200). Both teams were third in the team standings at district.

Emry repeated as state champion in the long jump, but missed a three-peat in the triple. Acree was second in the triple jump and also medaled in the long jump, 100 and 200. D'Alessio brought home a silver in the discus and bronze in the shot put.

Natalie Evans earned passage to 2A state in the 400, 800 and 1,600. Ty Shippy's personal record also catapulted him to a district championship and State berth in the shot put.

Evans would win the 800 state title before transferring to New Plymouth for her senior year.

Anna Cantrell (100 hurdles, 400, high jump), Katie Johnson (800) and Brian Simper (3,200 and 1,600) qualified to represent Rimrock at the 1A state meet.

Homedale's softball team ended the season at 14-12 after a 10-5 loss to Fruitland one victory from a return to the 3A state tournament.

Kayla Aman ended her high school career as part of Melba's 2A state championship softball team. James Nederend, a Homedale resident attending Nampa Christian, won the 2A triple jump title.

Josh Bruce of Jordan Valley teamed with Shawn Lequerica from Arock to win the Big Loop championship. Sammy Mackenzie of Jordan Valley won the all around cowboy title at the Jordan Valley Rodeo.

Homedale Middle School won the boys' championship at the district track and field meet. The girls were second.

June

Homedale's Hannah Johnson capped a prep athletic career by signing to play softball at The College of Idaho. The slugging catcher was also selected to the first team of the All-SRV conference softball squad.

Brandon Mackenzie of Jordan Valley won the all around at the District II high school rodeo in Caldwell. Homedale's Rye Hyer won the steer wrestling crown. Both qualified for the state rodeo in Pocatello. Mackenzie and roping partner Bryan Reay of Adrian qualified for the state rodeo as did Homedale competitors Mikal Mackenzie and Bodie Hyer. Other Owyhee qualifiers included Maddie Pendergrass of Adrian, Sierra Ridley from Rimrock and Kyler Dygert and

Austin Clow from Melba.

Rye Hyer went on to win the steer wrestling championship at the state rodeo, leading Clow and Jordan Valley's Dusty Easterday as the Owyhee contingent to the National High School Finals Rodeo in New Mexico. Clow, Brandon Mackenzie, Ridley and both Hyer brothers also qualified for the Silver State International Rodeo in Nevada.

Easterday and Rye Hyer would turn in top-25 finishes at the NHSFR.

Tyler Reay of Adrian and Tell Hyer of Homedale qualified for the Wrangler Junior High Finals Rodeo in shooting.

The Homedale School District board of trustees discontinued cross country due to budget cuts. Golf and both soccer programs were spared.

Marsing's Mike Moore and Melba's Austin Clow were selected to play in the wannaplaycollegesports.com Idaho 1A-3A All-State Football Game.

Mo Clausen, Kacie Salove and Peyton Kinney represented Marsing softball on the All-2A Western Idaho Conference team. Sean Finley, Joey Burrell and Ethan Salove were All-2A WIC baseball reps for the Huskies.

Jackie Thurman, Shoni Gennette and Becca Barrett were second-team selections from Rimrock on the All-1A WIC softball team.

HHS graduate Bryan Martinat took the College National Finals Rodeo saddle bronc championship for Western Texas College in Casper, Wyo.

July

Five local youth wrestlers collected top-seven placements during the ASICS Kids national championship meet in Utah. Matthew Renz of the Marsing Lions finished third in the Greco-Roman tournament for 120-pound Novice wrestlers (ages 11-12), Matthew Park, another Marsing wrestler, was sixth at 75 Novice; Jonathan Fisher of Wilder was second in freestyle at 152 Schoolboy; James Fisher of Wilder was seventh in both Greco-Roman and freestyle at 80 Novice; and Elijah Fisher was seventh at 70 Intermediate (9-10) in freestyle.

Austin Emry qualified for the Junior Olympics by winning the Region 11 long jump championship.

Tooth Dome of Mountain Home ended the long reign of Chandlers in the Grand View Days Coed Softball Tournament.

Shaun Gibbs (Daniel Miller Award) and Trey Corta (Conner Landa Award) were the top individuals after the first Conner Landa/Daniel Miller Memorial Softball Tournament at Sundance Park in Homedale. Jackson Jet Center, John Wayne Construction and All Around Sports won the division team

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Homedale pitcher Zac Lowder

MARSING HUSKIES

BASKETBALL

Girls' Basketball

Varsity
Wednesday, Dec. 30, home for
Husky Holiday Classic, 3 p.m. or 6:15 p.m.

Junior varsity
Wednesday, Dec. 30, home for
Husky Holiday Classic, 4:30 p.m. or 8 p.m.

BoyVarsity

Wednesday, Dec. 30, home for
Husky Holiday Classic, 4:30 p.m. or 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 5 at North Star Charter, Eagle, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Wednesday, Dec. 30, home for
Husky Holiday Classic, 3 p.m. or 6:15 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 5 at North Star Charter, Eagle, 6 p.m.

WRESTLING

Tuesday, Jan. 5 at Adrian tri-meet with Homedale, 6 p.m.

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championships. Homedale's GALS League U-16 softball team was runner-up at a Nampa tournament.

Shawn Morehead of Bruneau qualified for the bareback rodeo finals at the Snake River Stampede in Nampa.

The largest field in history was welcomed to the Percifield Memorial Softball Tournament in Marsing, with 32 teams vying for championship. Idaho Auto Center won the A crown, while Dan's Auto Body was the B champion and Woody's Flamingos won the C championship.

August

New coaches took over at Marsing with Scott Bryant replacing football coach Jake Walgamott and Tim Little taking over for girls' basketball coach Gloria King. Little also assumed the athletic director position.

Homedale grad Hailey Fuquay (nee Hall) took over the Rimrock volleyball coaching duties.

Jordan Valley got a new volleyball coach in Chris Elsner.

The Billings Outlaws won the Indoor Football League championship, but Homedale graduate Michael Eby was unable to play in the title game due to injuries. Eby would be named Defensive Rookie of the Year for the IFL after a picking off 10 passes.

Josh Mackenzie of Jordan Valley won the saddle bronc championship at the Owyhee County Rodeo. Adrian's Mike Pendergrass and Jordan Valley's Mike Eiguren were team roping champions.

Adrian youngster Tyler Reay and Jeff Flenniken won the team roping title at the Caldwell Junior Night Rodeo. Lawsen Matteson of Homedale won the boys' flag race.

The Matt Holtry era started for Homedale football. The Trojans shut out Melba, 33-0. Senior Alex Mereness rushed for 79 yards and two

touchdowns.

September

Scott Bryant started his first — and only — season at Marsing football coach with a victory when the team beat Elgin, Ore., 14-0. Joey Burrell returned an interception 80 yards for a touchdown and threw a 23-yard scoring pass to Agustin Paramo.

Trey Corta snagged seven passes for 210 yards and four touchdowns



Marsing Senior Peyton Kinney

as Homedale outlasted Vale, Ore., 34-27, in a big non-conference game. The Vikings would finish their season in the semifinals of the 3A Oregon playoffs.

Dusty Easterday played a part in three touchdowns as Jordan Valley out-slugged archrival Adrian, 46-38, in 1A HDL football.

Anna Cantrell had 10 blocks as Rimrock volleyball beat Gem State Adventist, 18-25, 25-12, 25-15, 25-22, in Hailey Fuquay's varsity coaching debut.

Ashley Hebison's 15 assists helped the Jordan Valley volleyball team beat Harper in a 25-18, 25-19, 25-17 1A HDL victory — the first under new

coach Chris Elsner.

October

Ricardo Araujo had a 91-yard scoring run and 294 yards rushing overall in Rimrock's 46-0 blowout victory over Idaho City.

Josh Silver led Melba to a 38-6 victory over Marsing that ended the Huskies' football postseason hopes.

Prairie City scored three straight touchdowns in the fourth quarter for a 26-14 victory that thwarted Adrian's

bid for a football upset over the 1A HDL leaders.

Katie Johnson became the first Rimrock cross country athlete to earn a medal at the Rusty Fender Classic. She finished fourth in the Raiders' home meet.

The Homedale entries in the Caldwell Exchange Club youth football league — Homedale Lions Club and Symms Fruit Ranch — ended the regular season unbeaten. Symms finished unscored on (212-0). The team finished 7-0 after a 12-0 win over Pioneer Title at Deward Bell Stadium.

Rimrock reached the 1A, Div. I state tournament, after losing the district volleyball championship match, by beating Idaho City for second place.

The team would exit in the first day of the state tournament a week later.

Hampered by the flu, the Marsing volleyball team bowed out of the 2A district tournament with two straight losses.

Ricardo Araujo rushed for 275 yards and five touchdowns to lead Rimrock to a 51-24 non-conference win over Adrian.

Homedale Middle School's eighth-grade football team lost the conference championship, 20-8, to Fruitland. The team lost only to the Grizzlies during a 4-2 season. The combined score of the Trojans' four victories was 144-14.

Homedale volleyball finished fourth in the 3A District III Tournament in what turned out to be its final matches for coach David Hann. The school board refused to renew his contract after a 3-2 vote in December.

November

The Adrian volleyball team lost the 1A District Tournament championship game, and Jordan Valley finished third. But both teams qualified for the 1A Oregon state playoffs.

Jordan Valley's football team saw its nine-game winning streak end in the final regular-season game of the year, a 28-18 loss to Crane. But the Mustangs qualified for a historic return trip to the 1A Oregon state playoffs. Coach Tim McBride's team lost in the opening round, 36-22, to District 3 champion Sherman County.

Marsing's Ricky Sullivan III and Homedale grad Bryan Martinat brought home championships from the Idaho Cowboys Association Finals Rodeo in Nampa.

Katie Johnson became the first athlete in eight years to represent Rimrock in the 1A/2A cross country state meet.

Marsing's Rebecca Cossel and Peyton Kinney were named to the All-2A WIC volleyball team. Homedale's all-conference volleyball picks included first-teamer Kindra Galloway, second-teams Alyssa Conant and Megan Quintana and honorable mention Sydney Cornwall.

Sophomore Trey Corta earned first-team All-3A SRV nods in football on both offense and defense. Homedale teammate Ryan Ryska, a senior, was named first-team quarterback and Aaron Proferes as first-team defensive lineman. Both Ryska and Proferes were two-way all-conference athletes.

Ryska, Proferes and Cassidy Cook also were selected to represent Homedale in the annual East-West Shrine Game for seniors. Marsing's Ty Shippy also played in the 11-man game, while Rimrock's Ricardo Araujo and Brian Simper were selected for the eight-man game.

Tim Little's debut as Marsing girls' basketball coach was a success as the Huskies beat Homedale, 36-28.

The fledgling Homedale Middle School wrestling team won four medals at the Treasure Valley Championships in Boise. Jed Jones lost the 145-pound championship match; Devin Fisher went 6-1 and finished third at 85 pounds; Jovan Cornejo was third at 140; and Ali Garcia was fourth at 160.

The HMS seventh-grade girls' basketball team led conference standings late in the season with a 7-1 record.

December

The Jordan Valley and Adrian football teams had strong showings in the All-High Desert League voting. Logan Hardin and Bryce Kushner were two-way first-teamers for the Mustangs. Garrett Williams and Taylor Lucas got the nods as first-team offensive linemen for Jordan Valley, and Dusty Easterday was a first-team linebacker.

Adrian's Jeremy Price (defensive back) and James Prechtel (offensive lineman) were first-teamers, while Blake Purnell was a honorable mention quarterback and second-team punter.

All-HDL volleyball included Adrian's Madison Shira as the league's best setter and teammate Andrea Shenk and Jordan Valley's Ashley Hebison as first-team selections.

Devin Fisher (89 pounds), Joe Campos (110) and Jovan Cornejo (138) won district championships for the Homedale Middle School wrestling team.

The Homedale girls' soccer team landed Jessica Eubanks, Aubrey Nash and Amalia Cardenas on the All-3A SRV second team. Gabby Nash and Justine Calzacorta were honorable mentions.

Randi Denton scored a career-high 24 points as Rimrock's girls' basketball team continued its win streak with an 87-14 blowout of Wilder. The streak would stretch to seven games with a 48-43 triple-overtime victory over Liberty Charter in Bruneau.



Homedale's Ryan Ryska looking for the shot against Parma.

Kylie Farwell scored seven of her 13 points in overtime as the Homedale girls' basketball team snapped a nine-game losing streak with a 46-40 double-overtime win against Payette in the conference opener for both teams.

—JPB



The Homedale Trojans Athletic Association, formed in 2009, spiced up several home games.

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

January 2, 1985

Caring and Sharing program was success

Bonita Tucker, an administrator at the Homedale Nursing Home has reported that Mayor Paul Fink and Homedale City Council’s Caring and Sharing program was a tremendous success. The Caring and Sharing committee had asked the Homedale community to contribute Christmas gifts requested by the Nursing Home residents which had been published in the Owyhee Chronicle before Christmas.

“Many of our elderly folks would otherwise not have received much,” Mrs. Tucker said. But the community responded with a genuine warm concern for a Merry Christmas for all by dropping off an overwhelming number of gaily wrapped presents at the Owyhee Chronicle. The gifts were then picked up by the Mayor and members of the committee to be delivered to the Nursing Home.

According to Mrs. Tucker, the annual Christmas party was held on Christmas Eve with the Caring and Sharing packages stacked under the tree “and in all available area” on Christmas morning. “With the avalanche of presents, we could hardly get into the nurses’ station,” she exclaimed. “But it was so exciting to see the thrill and delight when the patients received their things. It was just beautiful!”

Mrs. Tucker added that she was touched by the generosity that had been extended. “Every patient received at least two or three of the items they had asked for,” she said. “I speak for myself, and I know for all the residents here, in expressing our appreciation to everyone who was so thoughtful.”

Park resolution may be weeks away

The resolution of a heated debate on the future of the Marsing river park may be several weeks away, according of Mayor Roy Herman. The city may change the park to lessen the amount of “caretaking” they must put into the space.

Marsing was told by the National Park Service, through the Department of the Interior, that they must clean up their parks or the Federal Government would put the land up for public auction. The Marsing City Council, in turn, told the Federal agency that unless the city could maintain the parks, with no intervention or strings attached, the Interior Department could have them. A flood last winter over the river park and vandalism to the structures there have caused some real problems for Marsing, said Herman.

Herman met with a representative very recently with several proposals that the city council had put together at a meeting on Dec. 12. First, the city would like to eliminate the shower on the river park, as well as the RV sewer facilities. All campers staying at the park would be self-contained, or dump into the city sewer for a fee.

Secondly, the boat docks on the river would be re-located at a quieter inlet. This may necessitate government funds, said Herman.

Third, redesign the meeting building on the river. The roof may be saved, but the building would be an open structure to provide shade or a dry space, only.

Lastly, reseed the lawn areas damaged by the flood, provide picnic areas, and barbeque pits. Herman said the Forest Service was lessening their responsibilities at their parks, such as Kirkham Hot Springs, by just providing a fire ring and a public toilet. The only part of the project that would need government monies would be the dock restoration, possibly through the Idaho Waterways Fund.

John Kushlan sells Homedale Feed Co.

John Kushlan has sold the Homedale Feed Company after eighteen years of managing the business. Kushlan purchased Homedale Feed from Bruce Smith in 1966 and has maintained himself as an established Homedale merchant over these years. He has also built a reputation as a strong supporter of the Homedale High School athletic program and has served as announcer for the high school football games since the Trojan Riverside Stadium was constructed in 1967.

50 years ago

December 31, 1959

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Immigration and Nationality act of 1952 requires that every alien in the United States, except diplomats, persons officially connected with international organizations of which the United States is a member, and others admitted temporarily as agricultural laborers, must report his address during January of each year; and

WHEREAS, this law requires such an address of the alien has not changed since the last address report; and

WHEREAS, address report cards may now be obtained at any United States post office or Immigration service office.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Orville G. Soper, Mayor of the City of Homedale, in the State of Idaho, in recognition of the importance of compliance with the law to future citizens of Homedale, do hereby proclaim the month of January 1960 as ALIEN ADDRESS REPORT MONTH in Homedale, and request all citizens, employees, and officers, of the City of Homedale to assist and encourage every alien within the city of Homedale to report his address at the nearest post office or Immigration service office during the month of January 1960.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Homedale, in the State of Idaho, to be affixed at Homedale, Idaho, this second day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty.

Firemen called to Thompson home Sunday

The Homedale volunteer firemen were called to the Ralph Thompson home on 2nd street north Sunday evening where an overheated stove or chimney had started a fire in a partition beside the chimney.

John Matteson, local fire chief, said not too much damage was done as the fire was noticed in time.

Cattlemen will attend meeting January 27-30

Idaho beefmakers will be leading participants in the 63rd annual convention of the American National Cattlemen’s association in Dallas, Tex., January 27-30.

A large delegation led by Amos Eckert, Boise, president of the Idaho Cattlemen’s association, is expected to join 2,000 ranchers and feeders from 40 states in consideration of livestock research, marketing and production topics.

Other Idaho cattlemen serving their industry on national committees include Clifford Barker, Payette; Louis Bitton, Grace; Dan Clark, Jr., Ashton; R. J. Hawes and Curtis Eaton, Twin Falls;

Joe Nettleton, Murphy; W. L. Richardson, Caldwell; Walter Schodde and W. D. Taylor, Burley; A. W. Thorpe, Council; Milford Vaught, Bruneau; and G. B. Wilson, Lapwai.

Citizen of the week

Lawrence Lineberger, local farmer, was born in St. Louis, Mo., November 15, 1915, and moved with his parents to a farm south of Homedale when only three years old.

Lineberger is unmarried and lives with his mother, Mrs. Vera Lineberger, on the family farm, which is located on the Marsing highway.

He attended Homedale schools all but two years, when he went to the Edison school outside of Marsing. After graduating from high school he attended the University of Idaho at Moscow for four years. After completing his schooling in 1938 he returned home to help his brothers, Norris and Ralph and father, Ike, run the farm.

Ike Lineberger passed away in 1951 leaving the farm in the able hands of his three sons.

Lineberger is a member of he Elks, BPOE 1448 in Caldwell, Masons Mt. Moriah lodge No. 39, Caldwell, and also associated with Bose Consistory of Scottish Rite Bodies and El Korah Shrine in Boise.

Bowling is his favorite pastime but sports have a leading place in his activities.

140 years ago

December 30, 1865

COUNTY SEAT QUESTION. This subject is approaching culmination. It is the one generally discussed in all parts of the county. Parties are at work who will not rest until it has a final settlement. There is now a petition in circulation praying the Legislators to enact a law authorizing a vote on the point of location; also, a remonstrance against the passage of such an Act. The only difference regarding location can be measured in any course from a given point by one-half mile. Inasmuch as the county buildings can occupy but one place, cannot this little matter of distance be harmonized? Why not Ruby and Silver unite in asking the passage of an Act incorporating both places under one name – say Owyhee – then agree upon the most eligible and convenient site for the public buildings? It will not be denied that the prosperity of Silver is that of Ruby, and vice versa. Neither will it be claimed that, should the county seat be definitely settled, with two names to what is really but one community, there would be an end to local wrangling, which could retard somewhat the prosperity of each. Even now, when the elements of society are sparse and unorganized, social bickering is heard. This is all wrong. To us, individually, the location of the county buildings is a matter of indifference – we came to Owyhee, or Owyhee mines – neither to Ruby nor Silver. We suppose others, in effect, did the same. We came here to advocate generally Owyhee interests – not any particular part. We plainly foresaw present events, and this was then the most annoying point to settle in our location, though, as matters shaped, had no influence in the premise. Truly and earnestly, we think the project – long since discussed – of consolidating Ruby and Silver under one name, that that name to be the county seat, is one, the consummation of which, will more certainly satisfy a majority, harmonize only apparently conflicting interests, and insure the general prosperity and average good of all! Two towns so nearly allied in everything but name, should be that. As an instance of its good effect, take Austin and Clifton, Reese River, under the two names they were continually contending; under one, all is harmonious prosperity. Gold Hill and Virginia in Nevada, which bear the same relation to each other as Ruby and Silver would if the space between were a solid mass of business houses, are to this day spending time, money and bad temper over what would not be thought of if both places were under one name, as they are one in location and interest. Those who view Silver and Ruby as having attained their growth, we don’t expect will see the applicability of our remarks; but those who comprehend our growth two years hence, and which is sure to follow the general and reasonable expectations, we presume will accept our proposition as the true one for these now divided communities.

SNOW SLIDE. Last Saturday evening a snow slide occurred between this place and Silver, coming from the east side of Florida mountain, passing down by the Silver Bullion tunnel, and checking up near the road. In passing over the flat it struck a shanty occupied by some three or four persons, completely crushing it, covering up the occupants; but one, more fortunate than the others, was enabled to dig his way out from under the snow, which was several feet deep, and made his way though the storm to the Lincoln mill, where he related the facts, and some parties, with shovels, went to the rescue of those still buried in the cabin. With the aid of lantern, they succeeded in getting the location of the cabin, and in digging out the parties covered up, who were found to be not seriously injured, but most uncomfortably situated and without much hope of escaping.

THE OWYHEE delegation of the Legislature have presented Gov. Caleb Lyon of Lyonsdale with a silver brick, valued at one thousand dollars. –*World*

Partly true and otherwise. The Governor received a brick from a large number of the citizens of Owyhee County – not the delegation. Don’t think the delegation contributed a cent, but believe the members to be as liberal and willing as those who did. We have received a full report of the presentation, but have no room in this paper for it.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
The Texas Thank You Tour

I made the trip to Texas this fall and was able to revisit a couple of monumental memories, just to see if they were real.

When I was going to veterinary school in Colorado, I worked summers in the feedlots managed by Diamond A Cattle Co. The second year, I hired on at the 50,000-head yard in Thermal, Calif. Yes. Thermal ... a summer job. I was batchin', eating greasy tacos and renting a room with no air conditioning. Occasionally one of the men on the doctor crew would take me home with him for lunch. I'm sure his wife thought of me as a stray dog ... "Can't you feed him out on the porch, Simon!"

But he and I sat at his little kitchen table with bowls of chile colorado, using homemade tortillas she handed hot from the stove which we used as spoons. It is still one of my finest dining experiences.

He moved to Rockport, Texas. I went by to see him for the first time in 30 years. It was important to me to let him know that, to this day, I have never forgotten his kindness.

I also swung by the little town of Schroeder. Several years after working for Simon, I had fallen on hard times. Red Steagall, western singer and Texas treasure, invited me to go with him to play a dance at Schroeder Hall. It was humbling for me. I was kinda starstruck. We loaded in his new Cadillac. During the five-hour drive from Fort Worth, I soaked up his wisdom and companionship. When we arrived at Schroeder Hall, we could have been in Kenya, for all I knew. I'd not paid any attention to the road or the scenery. Red said, "Bax, do me a favor."

I said, "Anything." It would give me a way to show my gratitude. He dug a ball of car keys out of his pocket bigger than a hippopotamus cud! "Would you mind holding these while I'm singing? I hate to carry this big wad around."

"Of course," I said obsequiously. We walked off. Well, I didn't want to go to the dance with that big wad of car keys in my pocket either! I peeled off the Cadillac key and threw the wad on the car's floor mat. At midnight I hooked up with another ride who was going to San Antonio. I went into the dance hall and said my goodbyes to Red and went to get my bag out of his car. It was then I realized that Cadillacs had two keys; one for the door and one for the ignition. I had kept out the wrong one! It was 3:00 a.m. before the locksmith arrived from Victoria.

On my Texas tour, I hunted up Schroeder Hall. It was still there and still had a dance hall. I stared at the light pole in the gravel parking lot and had a nostalgic chill. I remember, in my embarrassment, that I insisted on paying for the locksmith.

I also remember he said, "Okay" just a little quicker than I'd expected!

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

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee
Hope for the new year



A new year is a time for rejuvenation, promise, hope and resolve.

With those noble pursuits in mind, here's a list of aspirations for Owyhee County for 2010, and a wish for a happy and prosperous new year for everyone:

- For Owyhee County government officials in Murphy: A hope that lines of communication and organization improve in the coming year.
- A recent Board of County Commissioners meeting was little more than table tennis with several agenda items being brought to the floor only to be knocked back onto the agenda for a future meeting because the prosecuting attorney, Douglas Emery, and his deputy, Chuck Saari, voiced concern that they had not had time to review the documents.
- There must be a resolution to this situation that gives the impression that the lines of communication between the commissioners, the clerk's office that sets the weekly agenda and the prosecutor's office are frozen like water pipe in the middle of winter.
- A packet of information and pertinent materials are supplied to all parties who regularly attend the meetings in Murphy, much like the Homedale City Council receives before its meetings, so communication shouldn't be that difficult.
- Of course, the new year's wish for communication within and without the walls of the county complex extends beyond the commissioners and the prosecutor.
- Hopefully, Sheriff Daryl Crandall will see fit to be more participatory in informing the citizens he has sworn to protect about law enforcement issues that may affect them.
- For the City of Homedale: A smoother road to progress.
- The past year hasn't been a kind one for those who make decisions for the citizens of the county's largest city.
- Bickering between councilmen, the mayor and the police chief over well-intended gestures that may have skirted protocol stripped the decision-makers of some of their credibility during a crucial year in which they asked the city's business property owners to pony up hard-earned revenue to help finance downtown improvements.
- The end result of the \$500,000 state grant and Local Improvement District may be the first step in improving Homedale's façade, but the image emanating from City Hall will take some time to repair.
- There are bright spots, of course, with the continued water and sewer infrastructure improvements, but only a smoother relationship between city council members, the mayor and other employees can convince residents that Homedale is on the right path.
- For the upcoming county elections: Civility and substance.
- Two BOCC seats and four other county offices will be contested in May's primary election, including District 2 and District 3 commissioners, clerk, treasurer, assessor and coroner.
- Hopefully the candidates will run on the issues and not on petty personality conflicts and back-biting. Owyhee County voters deserve to know the character of their candidates and where those people stand on the issues.

— See *Hope*, page 17

Wayne Cornell

Not important ...
but possibly of interest
Family marks Idaho centennial



January. It comes right after the big holidays of the previous year so most folks are burned out and watching their pennies. January is also the month when the weather usually is the worst — at least in this part of the country.

January 2010, however, will have special meaning for our family. That's because it marks the 100th anniversary of the arrival of the Cornells in southwest Idaho.

About 1872, my great-grandfather, Salem Cornell, homesteaded in Jewell County, Kan. — a few miles from the Kansas-Nebraska border. My grandfather, Adelbert (Bert) Cornell was born there in 1875. In 1899, Bert married Bessie Mathews. My father, second-oldest of Bessie and Bert's kids, was born near Burr Oak, Kan., in 1902.

At some point, Bert Cornell decided to leave Kansas. When I asked my father years later what prompted the move, he said it was probably because most people there were related and when he got older he would have had to marry a first cousin. I think he was only partly joking. But I have seen photographs of Jewell County, Kan., and if I had lived there, I think I would have wanted to move, too.

Grandpa Bert and two of his neighbors had received some correspondence from some former Burr Oakians who had moved across the Rockies and settled in a valley in the southwest portion of Idaho. Their reports indicated there was better farmland and more opportunity. So Bert and his friends started making plans. In January 1910, they loaded their household goods, farming equipment and livestock into three railroad "Emigrant Cars," and headed west. The men rode with the livestock while the women and children made the trip in a passenger coach.

Eventually, Grandpa Cornell put the details of the Idaho trip down on paper. I feel it is appropriate, as the centennial approaches, to share that his story. A word of warning, however. Grandfather Cornell had a knack for using five words in an obtuse manner where one word would have done the job much more succinctly. At one time, I believe he held some sort of Idaho Statesman newspaper record when he penned a letter to the editor that contained a sentence 98 words long.

On Moving to Idaho from Kansas, January 1910
By Adelbert Cornell

... A few years ago the writer and two of his neighbors decided on changing their location from their native location near the Kansas-Nebraska state line to the Boise Valley.

After careful investigation we decided to charter a car apiece and load as much of our property as possible. Kansas City to Boise Valley rates on emigrant cars was \$100. This made allowance for each car to be loaded with ten tons of property and a man to accompany each car. All weight in excess of twenty thousand pounds was subject to a 50 cents per hundred added charge. (The cars were weighed at some point enroute and if one had more than his

— See *Centennial*, page 17

Commentary

Financial management

Use class, respect when negotiating a deal

Dear Dave,
My husband and I are looking at getting a second vehicle. We found one we like, and it's in great shape, but they're asking more than we can afford to pay. Do you have any suggestions on how to make a low offer without insulting someone?
— Angela

Dear Angela,
This is a really good question, and I think you're smart to want to stay on the seller's good side. You want to be classy and diplomatic. Never point out the bad things about an item someone's selling just to drive down the price. You're liable to blow the whole deal right off the bat if you insult their merchandise or insinuate the price is unfair.
What if you try something like this? Tell them it's a fine vehicle, and their price is fair,



but the amount they're asking is outside your budget. Let them know that you want to work out a deal, and in order for it to fit into your lifestyle, you can only pay a certain amount. You might throw in that a lot of people are selling things right now because of the economy, and you're just looking for the best deal.
Who knows? Maybe that and letting them know you're standing there with money in hand will help swing this thing in your favor!
— Dave
Dear Dave,
I have a small business with

17 people in the main office and another 44 mobile techs in the field. We had a merger last year, and although we've overcome rivalries and other difficulties, gossip is a huge issue in the office. How can we solve this problem and still maintain morale?
— Chad

Dear Chad,
I have a zero-tolerance policy for gossip. Gossip will absolutely destroy an organization, and most places that have gossip running rampant are just cesspools. I can't imagine wanting to be a part of a situation like that. Gossip is small-minded, it shuts down everyone involved, and the worst gossip of all is when workers gossip about the person who pays them!
It's really simple at my place. My team knows they need to go to someone in leadership if they've

got a problem or something's bothering them. They know better than to stand around and complain to the receptionist about something someone in another department did or said. Negatives go up, and positives go down. If you've got a problem, you take it to someone who can *fix* the problem.
If I walked into the kind of mess you're talking about, I'd call a staff meeting, and we'd definitely cut that cancer out. I'd have no problem telling them if they want to keep their jobs they'd better stop the gossip and quit acting like a bunch of teenage drama queens. I'm not talking about being a bully. I'm talking about being clear and blunt about what will and will not be tolerated in your organization.
You may have to be a tough guy for a while and fire a few people. That's OK, because there are lots

of folks out there looking for work who can take their places. But as a result, you'll be left with people who *want* to work there, who want to be responsible, mature team members, and who want a culture that defends itself against gossip!
— Dave
— Dave Ramsey is the best-selling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. He also is the host of *The Dave Ramsey Show* that airs at 6 p.m. daily on the Fox Business Channel. He also has a radio call-in show. You can find tools to help with finances or previous columns at davesays.org. For more financial advice, visit the Web site or call (888) 22-PEACE. Have a question for Dave? Send correspondence to syndication@daveramsey.com or write *Dave Says*, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

Letters to the editor

County officials must open lines of communication

The election is over. It's time all of the elected officials of the county acknowledge that fact.
The citizens of Owyhee County deserve to know what transpires within the county with regards to law enforcement, and in my opinion that's not happening.
I realize the publisher of the *Avalanche* is the brother of the former sheriff; I also know that the *Avalanche* is our only source of news in the county.
I feel that it's time Sheriff Crandall or his representative be in constant contact with the newspaper so we, the citizens of Owyhee County, know what is happening in our area. There should be an open line of communication between the OCSO and the public.
Shouldn't the people of this county know where the crimes are being committed? Perhaps it's in your neighborhood, and knowing about it would make you more aware.
In my humble opinion there doesn't seem to be much cooperation between the sheriff's office and the BOCC as evidenced by an article in the *Avalanche* concerning Sheriff Crandall's trip to Washington in which District 1

Commissioner Jerry Hoagland stated that he knew nothing of the trip until after the fact.
I might be reading too much into that, but it sure sounds like we, the people of Owyhee County, have a big problem. I'm not sure who is to blame as I'm not privy to what is happening behind the scenes, but from where I sit something has to be done.
J C Mitchell
Givens Hot Springs

Cap-and-trade approach to climate control too costly

I have been following the discussion of cap and trade and climate change for a number of months now. I continue to have concerns about the cap and trade approach to meeting our climate goals. Our current government seems to be taking a very unproven, expensive and burdensome approach to reach these goals.
With a cap and trade system, we will only be growing government and allowing markets run by self-interested investment bankers to manage the cap and trade system. If we take this approach, we will also be adding to our government bureaucracy and the delays and expenses

that go along with it. We can't afford to spiral into more debt and add yet another financial burden on end consumers.
This cap and trade tax will surely cost the American consumer considerably more for their fuel, food, heat and all manufactured goods. This is all because global warming is thought to be man-caused. These changes will cause total disruption of our economy and way of life and will be of little value. There seems to be no economic sense in Washington D.C., and I suspect, the science involved.
Currently, the Obama administration is in attendance in Copenhagen and the headlines that I read are promising climate goals with an enormous price tag. I am not convinced that this administration will be able to deliver on the big talk, and big price tag with these other countries. My hope is that our federal government will take a more citizen-friendly approach to the climate issue, and move towards a system that has transparency and predictability.
District 23A Rep. Jim Patrick
R-Twin Falls



Rep. Jim Patrick

✓ Centennial: Journey here retold

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ten ton he had to make his reckoning before he was permitted to unload).
Among the conditions specified in the contract ten head of animals is the maximum allowance for each emigrant car. A reasonable amount of feed and grain for seeding the first year. No brand new, unused machinery or vehicles or furniture is allowed. One must at least hitch to his vehicle and run it through a mud hole or otherwise furnish proof of its having been used.
It is pretty risky to disregard the

stipulations of the contract as one can find plenty in this Western country whose disregard cost them dearly. The dealers in this country are a crafty lot and their interest in selling implements prompt them to be on the alert to put the railroad people wise to any of these little items that might be overlooked by the railroad people themselves ...
To be continued.
— Go to www.theowyheeavalanche.com to link to some of Wayne's previous columns on his blog. You'll find the link in the bottom right-hand corner of the home page.

✓ Hope: Wide view of needs crucial to a productive new year

From Page 16
• For the Homedale School Board: Seeing the big picture.
For far too long, Homedale has had a reputation as a meat-grinder for coaches.
The trustees carry part of that responsibility for knuckling under to pressure from outspoken parents and community members.
It's time that the pride, poise and character of the student-athletes are put before the politics, parents and collusion.

• For the Brown and Davis families: Nothing but good wishes
The two families displaced by the Thanksgiving Day fire on West Owyhee Avenue in Homedale continue to piece their lives back together.
Hopefully they will find comfort, shelter and prosperity in the coming months.



Public notices

**SYNOPSIS OF
OWYHEE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
DECEMBER 14, 2009
MURPHY, IDAHO**
Re: Letter to Dave Rutan, Fair Board
Bid Award for Gravel Crushing Project near Jordan Valley - taken under advisement
Resolution 09-56 Reappointment of Clay Atkins to Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission –Adopted
Marsing Law Enforcement Agreement for 2010 -put on agenda for next meeting.
Sign MOU with Jordan Valley CWMA - put on agenda for next week
Memorandum to Facilitate Co-Ordination between Owyhee County and Owyhee Initiative Inc. -put on agenda for next week.
Energy Grant Proposal -no decision,
Reviewed bill with Dave Bunker – approved
Bills paid: Current Expense \$42,936.61; Road and Bridge \$20,029.61; District Court \$883.82; Fair, Grounds and Buildings \$2,433.49; Probation \$1,070.05; Health District \$4,100.00; Historical Society Museum \$132.31; Indigent & Charity \$18,359.80; Revaluation \$672.81; Solid Waste \$16,464.03; 911 \$3,889.64.
Indigent & Charity: 09-48 and 09-49, lien approved, approved 09-44 and 09-48.
DEQ Drinking Water Staff presentation.
Executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345(1), (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) for personnel matters, attorney memo’s and possible litigation.
Hardship Tax Exemptions RPA 16000010030A and RPA 001001601110A - approved.
Co-Ordination Meeting with Jarbidge District BLM.
Co-Ordination Meeting with Jarbidge District BLM
The complete minutes can be viewed online at owyheecounty.net or in the Clerk’s Office.
12/30/09

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON
CREATION
OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT
CITY OF HOMEDALE
Owyhee County, Idaho
Local Improvement District
No. 2009-1**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Wednesday, the 13th day of January, 2010, at the hour of 6:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming Avenue, Homedale, Idaho, has been fixed, pursuant to Resolution No. 6126, adopted on December 9, 2009, as the time and place for public hearing at which owners of property to be assessed within proposed Local Improvement District No. 2009-1 (“L.I.D. No. 2009-1”) may appear before the City Council (the “Council”) of the City of Homedale (the “City”) and be heard as to the propriety and advisability of creating L.I.D. No. 2009-1 and acquiring and financing the Project, as hereinafter described, and as the time and place when and where the Council will consider the creation of the proposed L.I.D. No. 2009-1 and the acquisition of all the proposed Project, and hear all complaints, protests, and objections which may be made in writing and filed with the City

Clerk on or before said time, by any owner of any parcel of land to be assessed.
The boundaries of proposed L.I.D. No. 2009-1 are State Highway 19 (Idaho Street) between N. 3rd Street W and N. 3rd Street E and from N. 3rd Street E to N. 4th Street E. on the North side of Idaho Avenue and along Main Street between Idaho Street and E. Owyhee Avenue. All assessable lots and lands within the proposed L.I.D. No. 2009-1 benefited by the improvements shall be assessed for the costs of the improvements.
A general description of the project to be acquired (the “Project”) is as follows: the removal and replacement of approximately 3,250 linear feet of sidewalk, the installation of approximately 1,250 linear feet of curb and gutter, the removal and replacement of approximately 650 linear feet of concrete approaches, the removal and replacement of 33 pedestrian ramps, the installation of 76 street lights, the removal and replacement of approximately 3,300 square yards of asphalt, and all appurtenances thereto so that they comply with City standards, together with costs of engineering, legal services, publication, bond issuance costs and reserves, and other related expenses.
The estimated cost of the Project is \$780,000. \$380,000 will be paid from a levy of assessments on the property benefited by the Project within L.I.D. No. 2009-1.
The cost of the Project to be paid from special assessments shall be assessed against the tracts, lots, and lands within L.I.D. No. 2009-1 according to the front foot method of assessment, all as provided by Section 50-1707, Idaho Code.
Written protests and objections to the creation of L.I.D. No. 2009-1 or to the manner of assessment or inclusion of property therein may be filed with the City Clerk at City Hall, 31 West Wyoming Ave., Homedale, Idaho, at or before 5:00 o’clock P.M. on Monday, January 11, 2010, by an owner of any parcel of land to be assessed.
DATED this 10th day of December, 2009. CITY OF HOMEDALE Owyhee County, Idaho
Harold S. Wilson, Mayor
Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk/
Treasurer
City of Homedale 208-337-4641
12/30/09;1/6/10

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC
HEARING**
Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Homedale on MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho. The subject matter of this hearing is an Application for Lot Split filed by Dennis Pruett. The Applicant is proposing to split the property between Pruett Tire Store and the lumber yard and store. For more particulars, a copy of the Application and details of the split can be viewed at City Hall during regular business hours.
The public is invited to attend and offer input.
Sylvia L. Bahem, Administrator
Planning & Zoning Commission
12/23,30/09

**TO: CITY OF MARSING
RESIDENTS**

**FROM: CITY OF
MARSING
RE: WATER QUALITY IN
THE CITY
JANUARY 1, 2010**
Dear City of Marsing Resident,
Effective January 26, 2006, the US Environmental Protection Agency reduced the drinking water standard for arsenic from 50 parts per billion (ppb) to 10 ppb. One well that had been supplying water to the City of Marsing, Well #3, has an arsenic concentration, which exceeds the Maximum Contaminant Level set forth by the EPA. Well #3 is not currently being used by the system as a water source, however, the City of Marsing is required to provide quarterly public notice of this exceedence. You will continue to receive this notice every quarter until such time as the City is notified by IDEQ the notice is no longer required.
Arsenic is a naturally occurring element thought to enter the water source from contact with natural rock formations. Arsenic can cause adverse health effects, including cardiovascular disease, diabetes mellitus, skin changes, nervous system damage, and various forms of cancer.
The City of Marsing is taking action to permanently remove the well as a source of water for the water system. As you may be aware, the City is in the process of upgrading the municipal water system, and a new well to serve the system, and replace Well #3, will be first item completed for water system upgrade project.
12/30/09

**NOTICE OF
RE-SCHEDULED
TRUSTEE’S SALE**
Idaho Code 45-1506A Today’s date: December 14, 2009 File No.: 7307.22685 Sale date and time (local time): January 29, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: HC 79 Box 733 MELBA, ID 83641 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: David M. Lucas, a single person Original trustee: Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for New Freedom Mortgage Corporation, a Corporation Recording date: August 30, 2002 Recorder’s instrument number: 240768 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of December 14, 2009: \$121,021.60 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: Parcel I: A parcel of land being a portion of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter

and a portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 21, Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a brass cap marking the Northwest corner of said Section 21; thence South 0 degrees 00’14” West 1,327.13 feet along the Westerly boundary of said Section 21 to an iron pin marking the Northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, said Section 21; thence continuing along said Westerly boundary of said Section 21, South 0 degrees 00’47” West 1,078.75 feet to a point on the centerline of the Opaline Ditch, said point being the Real Point of Beginning; thence leaving said Westerly boundary of said Section 21 and along the centerline of said Opaline Ditch the following courses and distances: thence South 35 degrees 19’26” East 304.55 feet to a point; thence South 24 degrees 33’43” East 196.79 feet to a point; thence South 36 degrees 35’28” East 212.90 feet to a point; thence leaving said centerline of said Opaline Ditch North 89 degrees 57’01” East 939.94 feet to an iron pin marking the Easterly Boundary of the said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21; thence along the said Easterly boundary of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21, North 0 degrees 05’32” East 349.18 feet to an iron pin marking the Northeast corner of said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21; thence continuing along said Easterly boundary North 0 degrees 04’36” East 249.57 feet to an iron pin; thence leaving said Easterly boundary of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 21 South 89 degrees 57’01” West 1,325.64 feet to the Point of Beginning. Parcel II: A 28 foot ingress-egress, public utilities, drainage and irrigation easement lying 28 feet Northeasterly of and adjacent to the above described irrigation easement and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a brass cap marking the Northwest corner of Section 21,

Township 1 North, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, thence South 0 degrees 00’14” West 719.88 feet along the Westerly boundary of said Section 21 to an iron pin; thence leaving said Westerly boundary South 52 degrees 19’53” West 300.74 feet to an iron pin; thence South 31 degrees 22’37” West 297.49 feet to an iron pin; thence South 68 degrees 14’05” West 150.64 feet to a point, said being the Real Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 68 degrees 14’05” west 28.00 feet to a point; thence South 21 degrees 08’38” East 110.28 feet along a line 25 feet Northeasterly and parallel to the centerline of the Opaline Ditch to a point; thence South 22 degrees 01’07” East 324.12 feet to a point; thence South 34 degrees 26’13” East 301.98 feet to a point; thence South 23 degrees 29’44” East 470.35 feet to a point; thence South 35 degrees 19’26” East 120.39 feet to a point; thence leaving said parallel line North 89 degrees 57’01” East 34.30 feet to a point; thence North 35 degrees 19’26” West 137.30 feet on a line 53 feet Northeasterly and parallel to the centerline of the Opaline Ditch to a point; thence North 23 degrees 29’44” west 470.13 feet to a point; thence North 34 degrees 26’13” West 301.61 feet to a point; thence North 22 degrees 01’ 07” West 320.86 feet to a point; thence North 21 degrees 08’38” West 110.37 feet to the Point of Beginning. 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# 7307.22685) 1002.91462-FEI
12/23,30/09;1/6/10

NOTICE
The annual meeting of the Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Company will be held at the Bruneau Legion Hall on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 7:00 p.m..
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T.S. No.: ID-231052-C Loan No.: 7422633792 A.P.N.: RPA0010056001BA NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on 3/18/2010 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse located on the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey St., known as 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, Owyhee County, ID, 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 and personal property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BLOCK 56 OF THE CITY OF HOMEDALE; THENCE NORTH 100 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE EAST 150 FEET; THENCE NORTH 75 FEET; THENCE WEST 150 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 75 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL BEING IN THE CITY OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address sometimes associated with said real property is: 514 WEST 2ND STREET HOMEDALE, Idaho 83628 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: LAURA M HARDEN & KEVIN J HARDEN, WIFE AND HUSBAND, as grantors, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of HOMECOMINGS FINANCIAL NETWORK, INC., as Beneficiary, dated 11/24/2004, recorded 12/1/2004, as Instrument No. 250126 and re-recorded , records of Owyhee County, Idaho, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 11/24/2004. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of 1046.76, due per month from 8/1/2009 through 3/18/2010, and all subsequent payments 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 \$99,800.58, plus accrued interest at the rate of 9.5% per annum from 7/1/2009. 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. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated:

11/17/2009 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC By Executive Trustee Services, As Attorney In Fact Dee Ortega, authorized signatory C/O Executive Trustee Services, LLC 2255 North Ontario Street, Suite 400 Burbank, California 91504-3120 Sale Line: (714) 730-2727 ASAP# 3349031
12/30/09;1/6,13,20/10

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

T.S. No. ID-09-326344-TD On 3/25/2010, at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho: In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse located on the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, known as 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee on behalf of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of OWYHEE State of Idaho, and described as follows: Parcel I: A portion of Lot 1, Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows: Commencing at a point 813 feet, (formerly 826 feet) West and 33 feet South of the North East corner of Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence West 60 feet; thence South 118 feet; thence East 60 feet; thence North 118 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Parcel II: A portion of Lot 1, Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows: COMMENCING at a point 813 feet, (formerly 826 feet) West and 33 feet South of the Northeast corner of Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence West 60 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence West 60 feet; thence South 118 feet; thence East 60 feet; thence North 118 feet to the TRUE 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 997 MAIN STREET, MARSING, ID 83639 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by LESLIE F DANNER AND TERRIANN R DANNER , WIFE AND HUSBAND as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR AEGIS WHOLESALE CORPORATION, is named as Beneficiary and STEWART TITLE as Trustee and recorded 4/30/2007 as Instrument No. 260794 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 4/27/2007. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,571.60, due per month for the months of 7/1/2009 through 11/16/2009, 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 \$200,000.00 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.3750 per cent (%) per annum from 6/1/2009. 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: 11/23/2009 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, CA92103 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# 3357327
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

T.S. No. ID-09-326343-TD On 3/25/2010, 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 JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of OWYHEE State of Idaho, and described as follows: This

parcel is a portion of Government Lot 1 of Section 4, Township 2 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Northeast corner of said Government Lot 1, a found brass cap monument: thence South 89°57’06” West along the North boundary of said Government Lot 1 a distance of 933.00 feet; thence South 0°02’54” East perpendicular to the North boundary of said Government Lot 1 a distance of 33.00 feet to a 1/2 x24 inch rebar set with a plastic cap stamped L.S. 3627, said point being the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING: thence South 1°50’17” East parallel with the East boundary of said Government Lot 1 a distance of 118.00 feet to a 1/2 x 24 inch rebar set with a plastic cap stamped L.S. 3627; thence South 89°57’06” West parallel with the North boundary of said Government Lot 1 a distance of 66.00 feet to a 1/2 x 24 inch rebar set with a plastic cap stamped L. S. 3627; thence North 0°46’ 29” West a distance of 117.95 feet to a point which lies on a line 33.00 feet Southerly from and parallel with the North boundary of said Government Lot 1, a 1/2 x 24 inch rebar set with a plastic cap stamped L. S. 3627; thence North 89°57’06” East along said parallel line a distance of 63.81 feet to the TRUE 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 999 MAIN ST, MARSING, ID 83639 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by LESLIE F DANNER AND TERRIANN R DANNER , WIFE AND HUSBAND as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR AEGIS WHOLESALE CORPORATION, is named as Beneficiary and STEWART TITLE as Trustee and recorded 4/30/2007 as Instrument No. 260799 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 4/27/2007. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,467.81, due per month for the months of 7/1/2009 through 11/16/2009, 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 \$200,000.00 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.3750 per cent (%) per annum from 6/1/2009. 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: 11/23/2009 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# 3357299
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Trustee’s Sale No. 02-FMS-87352 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 15, 2010, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 20381 STATE HWY 78, MURPHY, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the “Property”), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, to-wit: This parcel is a portion of the SE1/4 SE1/4 of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of said SE1/4 SE1/4; thence North 0°33’48” East along the East boundary of said SE1/4 SE1/4 a distance of 159.52 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 89°17’26” West a distance of 273.00 feet; thence North 0°33’48” East parallel with said East boundary a distance of 159.61 feet; thence South 89°16’17” East a distance of 273.00 feet to a point on said East boundary; thence South 0°33’48” West along said East boundary a distance of 159.52 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 5725 EDISON ROAD, MARSING, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by SHANNON A. MCKEY, A SINGLE WOMAN AND SIDNEY R. BLAKLEY, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Grantor, to TITLEONE CORPORATION, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR EQUIFIRST CORPORATION, as Beneficiary, dated 12/26/2006, recorded 12/29/2006, under Instrument No. 259327, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association as grantor trustee of the Protium Master Grantor Trust. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4){A}, IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 12/26/2006, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 7/1/2009 AND ALL

SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of December 9, 2009 (07-01-09 through 12-09-09) Delinquent Payments from July 01, 2009 6 payments at \$ 947.92 each \$5,687.52 Late Charges: \$0.00 Beneficiary Advances: \$0.00 Suspense Credit: \$-258.21 TOTAL: \$5,429.31 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$134,679.93, together with interest thereon at 7.250% per annum from 6/1/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 12/9/2009. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: <http://www.rtrustee.com> ASAP# 3381505 12/30/09; 1/6, 13/10

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: November 30, 2009 File No.: 7104.14320 Sale date and time (local time): April 01, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 5943 Pasco Road Marsing, ID 83639 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Melissa Fugal and Jayson Fugal, wife and husband Original trustee: Susan J. Robinson, Idaho Attorney Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for WMC Mortgage Corp. Recording date: September 29, 2006 Recorder’s instrument number: 258282 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of November 30, 2009: \$219,336.10 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: A parcel of land being a portion of the

Southeast Quarter of Section 17, Township 2 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a found brass cap marking the East Sixteenth corner common to said Section 17 and Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence North 89 degrees 14’ 40” West 1323.41 feet along the South boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17 to a found Brass Cap marking the South Quarter corner of said Section 17; thence North 00 degrees 37’ 48” East 2162.29 feet along the West boundary of the said Southeast Quarter of Section 17 and along the centerline of Pasco Road to a point lying on the centerline of an existing lateral, said point being witnessed by a set 5/8” iron pin, which bears North 00 degrees 37’ 48” East 51.12 feet, said point being the Real Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 37’ 48” East 481.94 feet along the said West boundary of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17 and along the said centerline of Pasco Road to a found Brass Cap marking the Center Quarter corner of said Section 17; thence South 89 degrees 10’ 58” East 749.84 feet along the North boundary of the said Southeast Quarter of Section 17 and along the said centerline of the existing lateral, said point being witnessed by a set 5/8 inch iron pin which bears North 89 degrees 10’ 58” West 69.79 feet; thence along the centerline of the existing lateral the following courses and distances; South 45 degrees 03’ 14” West 399.43 feet to a point of curve to the left; thence along said curve to the left a distance of 99.20 feet, said curve having a delta of 17 degrees 45’ 39”, a radius of 320.01 feet, tangents of 50.00 feet and a long cord of 98.80 feet which bears South 36 degrees 10’ 25” West to the point of ending of said curve; thence South 27 degrees 17’ 35” West 93.93 feet to a point of curve to the right; thence along said curve to the right a distance of 187.33 feet, said curve having a delta of 75 degrees 21’ 23”, a radius of 142.44 feet, tangents of 110.00 feet and a long chord of 174.12 feet which bears South 64 degrees 58’ 17” West to the point of ending of said curve; thence North 77 degrees 21’ 02” West 218.50 feet to the Real Point of Beginning. 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# 7104.14320) 1002.139257-FEI 12/9,16,23,30/09

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The family of Isobel Carr wants to say thanks for the outpouring of cards, flowers, food and memorials. To our many friends in Owyhee County and surrounding area who gave their love and support to us during this difficult time - may Izzys memory live on. Sincerely, Gayland and Kermit Carr

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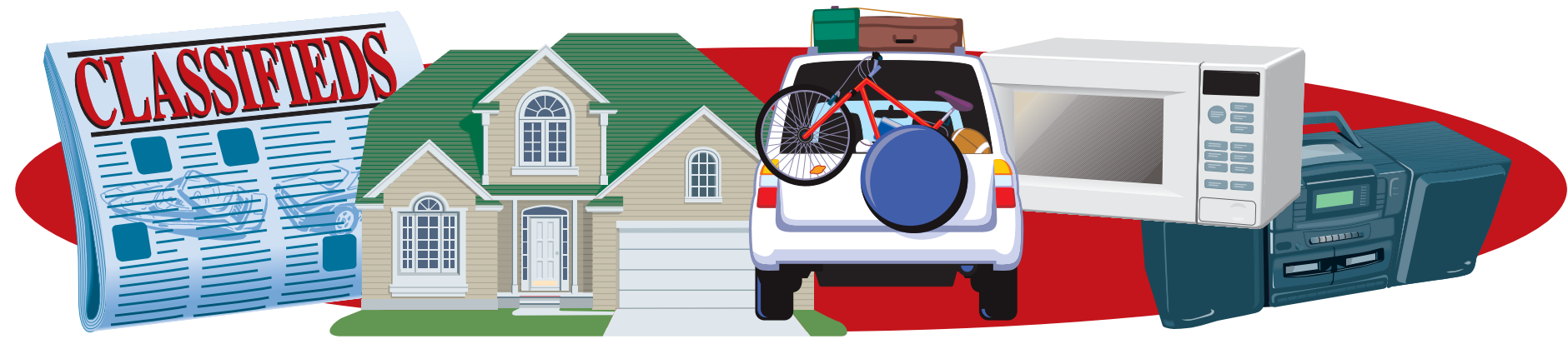
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