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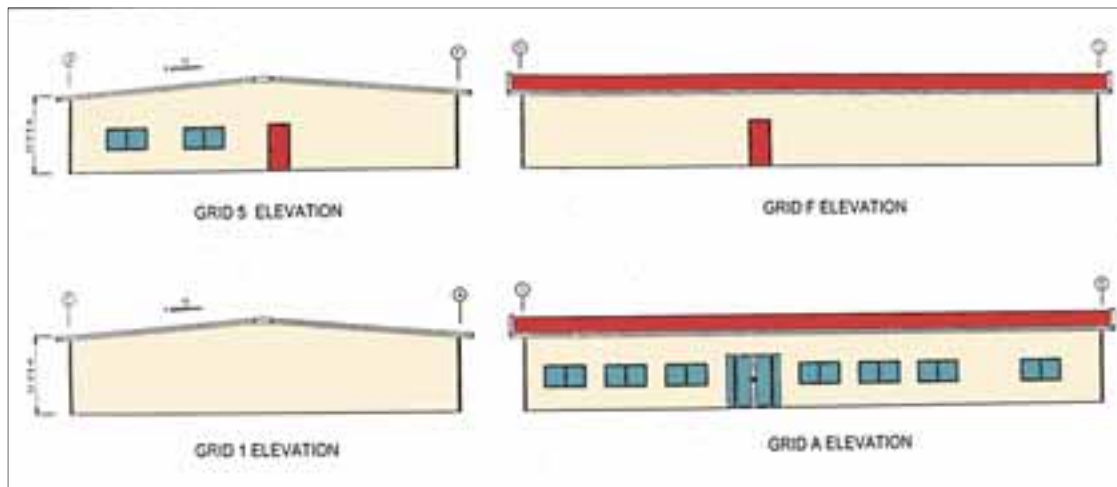
Homedale High School boys' basketball coach Kenny Thomas, left, and player Trevor Gibson look on as elementary school students put up shots during Wednesday's clinic. See story, Page 16

Homedale LID approved

After property owners expressed concerns ranging from the potential inflation of tax bills to whether or not more money was actually necessary for downtown revitalization, the Homedale City Council created a Local Improvement District at its Wednesday meeting.

The vote was unanimous, but the feedback in two letters of protest and a handful of witnesses at the public hearing spoke out against the formation of the LID to leverage the city's \$500,000 Idaho Community Block Grant.

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This rendering depicts what the Homedale Public Library building donated last week by R&M Steel Co., of Caldwell could look like. Photo illustration by Michael Lane

Caldwell firm gives library building

Awaiting more info, Homedale council delays further action

The dream of building a new Homedale Public Library has received a shot in the arm with a Caldwell company's donation of a steel structure.

R&M Steel Co., owners Rob

and Nancy Roberts made the donation at Wednesday's City Council meeting.

The agenda also called for the council to consider transferring money from the general fund to the

library fund and then re-open the fiscal year 2010 budget. But further action was tabled after Councilman Tim Downing expressed surprise about the development and concern that few details about the entire plan were known.

Downing said he had no problem with the donation, but was

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Molestation case surfaces after decade

A Murphy man faces felony charges after a counselor reported possible child sexual abuse nearly a decade after it last occurred.

Thomas Edward Benson, 67, of Murphy faces charges dating to January 1998. He faces six felony counts of lewd conduct with a minor under 16.

"The matter was reported to the authorities after one of the vic-

tims sought counseling," Owyhee County Prosecutor Douglas Emery said in an e-mail to The Owyhee Avalanche. "The counselor was required by State law to disclose it. An investigation followed."

The alleged offenses date from 1998 through 2000, and the victims involved are two girls, born in 1989 and 1995, making their ages between three and 11 at the

time of the alleged incidents.

Benson entered no plea at his Jan. 11 arraignment. A preliminary appearance before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober is set for Feb. 8. A no contact order was issued against Benson concerning the two victims.

A conviction for lewd conduct with a child under 16 can be punished by life in prison.

Grand View selects arsenic abatement mode

A process to remove arsenic from Grand View drinking water was selected at last week's first city council/water association meeting of the year.

Payette-based Holladay Engineering's Andy Gehrke, the project manager, confirmed Thursday

that it was decided a coagulation filtration treatment option would be used to get water back within federal safe drinking water guidelines.

The decision is the latest step

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Children take initiative

Homedale Elementary School students who put together their own fund drive for the victims of the Haiti earthquake included (Back row, from left): Kendall Nash, Nallely Gonzalez, Meryssa Oakley and Jordan Packer as well as (Front row, from left) Allison Shenk, Valeria Robles and Jesse Packer.

Students raise funds for Haiti quake victims

Homedale Elementary School staff got a surprise Friday, as donation jars for Haiti began appearing in classrooms and a group of fourth-grade students started figuring out the logistics of making posters to raise funds for survivors of the Haitian earthquake disaster.

The kids did it on their own, it turned out. Having learned of the disaster, they felt like they should help.

“We all saw it on the TV, and the commercials, and we just thought we should do it,” said student Valeria Robles.

The Homedale fundraisers have put jars in classrooms throughout the elementary school, and hope to raise \$300 for the Red Cross. They have plans to make posters as well, and hoped to have those up early this week.

The urge to help is county-wide, and much appears to be spontaneous, arising from the concerns of students.

Homedale Middle School and Marsing Elementary have also seen jars appear as students have decided to find ways to aid those in dire need.

Bruneau Elementary is putting together its own coin-drive fundraiser, which kicked off this week.

At Marsing Middle School, the student council voted to raise funds for the cause. Students, and teacher Jim Eisentrager, have put together a “100 pennies” promotion, with the goal of raising 100 pennies per middle school student, and donate the \$230 to the Red Cross.

“It’s not a lot, but it’s what we can do,” Eisentrager said. “Our kids are really awesome. They have a heart to give.”

Marsing Middle School students amassed more than 800 pounds of food for this year’s holiday food drive.

— MML

Hoagland remains BOCC chair

Idaho 78-area subdivision plat approved

Wilson Republican Jerry Hoagland has been appointed to another term as chair of the Board of County Commissioners.

District 2 Commissioner George Hyer (R-Homedale) nominated his District 1 counterpart during the Jan. 11 meeting in Murphy. The nomination passed, 2-1, with Hoagland casting a dissenting vote.

“You’ve done a good job, and we have so many issues that we’re right on top of, and that’s why you need to stay there,” Hyer said in nominating Hoagland.

“We don’t want to switch horses in midstream, or we’ll sink.”

Hoagland’s reappointment was part of the board’s annual reorganization.

District 3 Commissioner Dick Freund (R-Murphy) was reappointed as the county’s representative on the Southwest Idaho Joint Policy Board of the Juvenile Detention Center. He will also continue to serve on the Joint Land Use Study committee.

The road district supervisors remain the same, with Hoagland overseeing District 1 and Freund taking District 3.

Hoagland remains supervisor for the weed department, and the commissioners set the rate for spraying weeds on private ground. The cost will be \$65 per hour for labor and equipment, \$1 per mile in mileage from a staging

area to the work site and actual cost for chemicals used.

Freund will serve as supervisor for the Planning and Zoning and Building departments and also will oversee courthouse maintenance.

Hyer will serve as supervisor for solid waste and the probation department.

The Owyhee Avalanche was reaffirmed as the official county newspaper.



Jerry Hoagland

Rio Vista final plat OK’d

The commissioners closed a lengthy chapter in residential development near the junction of Idaho highways 45 and 78. The final plat for the Rio Vista subdivision was approved Jan. 11.

Issues with Idaho Transportation Department right-of-way and wetlands concerns had kept the finalization of the subdivision plan in the hopper since 2005, according to Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff.

The plat 33-lot subdivision near Walters Ferry was approved 2-0.

Hoagland recused himself from the discussion and vote because he had holdings that were sold to become part of the development, which also includes the Bella Vista subdivision that was approved earlier.

Road decisions made

Cottonwood-based Suebert Excavation was awarded the gravel crushing bid to create road base and road surface rock for the Jordan Valley area.

The \$141,374 contract calls for 2,000 tons of surface rock and 18,000 tons of base aggregate.

Suebert was selected in a three-way process over Robinson Logging and Excavation of Grand View and Western Construction of Boise.

Paragon Consulting’s Stephen Freiburger made the recommendation in a previous meeting, and the decision was made after the prosecuting attorney reviewed the bid award and the protest period had lapsed.

Last week, the commissioners approved a resolution adding five county roads to the list of “collector roads” on ITD’s functional classification map.

Resolution 10-01 adds Upper Reynolds Creek from Rabbit Creek Road to Idaho 78; Rabbit Creek Road from Upper Reynolds Creek Road to Old Highway 45 Street; Silver City Road from Idaho 78 to Silver City; Oreana Loop Road from Idaho 78 to Idaho 78; and Old Highway 45 Street from Idaho 78 to Idaho 78.

The designation was necessary to make those roads eligible for certain funding sources, Freiburger said.

Collector roads are roadways that serve to move traffic between major arterials.

— JPB

ITD plans to widen U.S. 95 soon

The narrow stretch of highway between Homedale and Marsing could see a widening in some places when a pavement rehabilitation project begins later this year.

The Idaho Transportation Department confirmed that the bid process begins in March on a long-awaited pavement rehabilitation project on U.S. Highway 95 from Homedale’s southern city

limits to the Idaho highway 55 junction. The rehabilitation will include adding as much as two feet of roadway to either side of the existing highway.

The U.S. 95 project will see 7½ miles of roadway redone using the Cement Recycled Asphalt Base Stabilization (CRABS) method.

The current work by state maintenance crews that includes

the temporary traffic light at Taxi-dermy Lane is part of the preparation for the CRABS work. Gravel shoulders are being added.

Along the project route, existing guardrail will be upgraded and shoulder rumble strips installed.

Also, pavement rehabilitation is planned on a 20-mile stretch of Idaho 51 in southernmost Owyhee County. That work will start in May or June.

The project is geared at preserving the two-lane road between the Nevada state line and Sheep Creek Road, or about 70 miles south of Mountain Home.

The first 11.4-mile stretch from the state line will receive an overlay of asphalt at a thickness of approximately 1.8 inches.

The entire 20-mile section will be seal coated during a project that is expected to last 24 working days.

Valley Paving and Asphalt Co. of Cottonwood is the contractor for the \$1.9 million job, which will be completed sometime in the summer.

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Official: Marsing water work will help insurance rates

New city council members James Ferdinand and Aron Streibel took their oath of office on Jan. 13 in Marsing, at the outset of the regular city council meeting.

Water project should lower insurance costs

City Engineer Amy Woodruff and SPF Engineering's Shawn Kohtz provided an overview of the \$3 million municipal water project, which is expected to be complete this spring.

With the addition of better than three-dozen hydrants, Marsing moved from a class seven to a class five fire rating, and Mayor Keith Green said he wanted to inform residents that they needed to contact their insurers, as their rates should therefore decline. Including a notice to that effect with water bills was discussed.

The water project, which increased capacity in the city's water system, allowing for additional hookups, came at the right time to net far lower construction costs than had been initially expected. The project has installed all pipe it had initially proposed, as well as all potential secondary pipe that was prioritized on the project's "wish list", and has \$565,000 of spend-it-or-lose-it grant money left, Kohtz said.

The city is now examining what the remaining funds — which are limited to water project use — will go toward. Possibilities include a computerized use model of the system to allow for easier maintenance and planning and/or replacing older water meters citywide.

"The project succeeded beyond our wildest dreams," Kohtz told the council.

Ed Lowder, of Marsing public works, said that losses from old, leaky pipes have also been cut, possibly from as high as one million gallons a month to 20,000, a reduction of 98 percent.

Annexation 1/3 complete

A small snag — in the form of a 50-foot strip of land between the Marsing Labor Camp and Housing Authority — kept the latter from being annexed last week. The Labor Camp annexation was unanimously passed, but the Housing Authority annexation will have to wait until the 50-foot wide corridor, privately owned by Tim Miller, is annexed as well. The Housing Authority is otherwise not contiguous with the Labor Camp. That lack of continuity could cause raised eyebrows and delays with the



New Marsing City Council members James Ferdinand, left, and Aron Streibel take the oath of office at last week's meeting.

state as far as tax assessment went, City Attorney Stephanie Bonney said.

The council tabled the annexation of the Housing Authority until the status of Miller's property was nailed down, and hopes to annex both in a single ordinance in the near future.

The annexation of Marsing's Island Park is waiting on the Idaho Department of Lands to complete a survey and topographic map of the park, at a cost of between \$4,800 and \$5,400, Woodruff said. The money for the mapping and survey will come from the parks and recreation budget, Green said.

Rotted well casing pushes abandonment cost higher

The abandonment of municipal well No. 2, located on the far side of the Snake River, will cost more than was initially planned, Ralph Robinson of Robinson Well Drilling announced during the meeting.

Robinson had pulled some of the pipe from the disused well in preparation for sealing it permanently in line with Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) requirements, but discovered that the rotted well casing, installed in 1972, was pulling apart and was, in places, pulling out sections of 12-inch exterior casing. In the process, the hole caved in on Robinson's tools, which will now have to be recovered, he said.

Robinson proposed to clear his tools, pull the remaining 40 feet of eight-inch pipe out, and, after an OK from IDWR, to fill the bore with concrete to within 200 feet of the surface, then plug the remainder of the bore with bentonite chips.

The difficulties will raise the cost of the abandonment from \$9,760 to \$11,417. The council approved the change, which will

be paid from the water budget.

Well cleaning succeeds

Marsing's well No. 7, one of two older bores that tested positive for a non-harmful bacteria and were taken offline, passed muster after

a check last week following a purge with concentrated chlorine. The second well is currently undergoing the same process.

Law enforcement report

Deputy Jeff Wasson presented the monthly law enforcement report for the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office. Wasson reported 307 patrol hours were logged in December within Marsing. He reported that call numbers were down a little bit, though that was in line with the season.

He said that a search of the school that had occurred some weeks before — and about which questions had been asked of the mayor and council at the December meeting — had been in a response to a student and "an issue with (drug) paraphernalia." Wasson reported that OCSO, in conjunction with another agency,

had swept the building with a drug dog, and nothing else was found.

Marsing Mayor Keith Green said he would like to sit down with Marsing school district and OCSO administrators to discuss possible programs or policies focusing on law enforcement vis-a-vis the schools. He added that he was pursuing inquiries to restart the Dug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program in the Marsing School District if funding could be found.

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Homedale man faces theft rap

Johnathan Hardt of Homedale, 19, will appear before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober on Monday for a preliminary hearing on numerous charges, including felony grand theft, burglary, escape and resisting arrest.

Hardt was arrested in Homedale Jan. 5, after a foot chase, in connection with possession of stolen property, Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller confirmed.

Items taken in a home burglary were recovered, including a firearm, Eidemiller said. It is the second arrest in Homedale in the past few weeks in which a stolen firearm was recovered.

Marsing COSSA levy ramps up again

District’s second try to fund tech center comes Feb. 9

The Marsing School District will try once more to pass a \$474,000 levy to fund its portion of the proposed Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency (COSSA) tech center to be built near Wilder. The initial run of the Marsing COSSA levy failed to reach the majority needed by just three votes at the end of August.

The election is scheduled for Feb. 9.

If passed, the levy would net \$237,000 per year for two years, \$474,000 in total. It would cover Marsing’s 23.7 percent of the cost of the tech center. Costs to districts were on a per-student basis, which is why Homedale’s two-year levy, passed in

September, was for \$520,000.

Taxpayers would see an increase of \$98 per \$100,000 of assessed property value, district business manager Debbie Holzhey said.

The tech center will provide high school students with trade classes and programs, as well as having the capability to host adult classes, COSSA director Mark Cotner said. Some classes will provide credit hours toward college. An aging Centerpoint High School may also find a new home at the center.

Since formal approval of the plan by the Marsing School Board last month, school officials have tried to brainstorm ways to make

sure the vote got out this time around, superintendent Harold Shockley said.

“There will be a mass mailing that goes out this time, and a variety of different people making different contacts,” he said. The district plans to seek targeted audiences for presentations, and a few general presentations as well.

Polling places will be at the sprint boat track in Canyon County, and the Marsing Elementary and High School libraries, Shockley said. Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m.

“I know we’re going to have our opposition,” Shockley said. While boosters will be better organized to pass the levy, he said he expected the opposition to be better organized as well, but hopes that a number of people

will come out to vote that may have assumed passage last time.

“We’ve had a lot of people who have expressed that they didn’t vote because they thought it would go through,” he said. “The only negative response I’ve had so far is ‘Again you’re going to go out and raise my taxes’. Well, we are. But even with approval for the two years, it still puts the total tax rate lower than the average for the last few years.”

The school districts involved are responsible for 40 percent of the total cost of the center, about \$2 million. The rest is financed by a \$2.5 million federal grant and \$500,000 of in-kind donations. COSSA director Mark Cotner continues to pursue other funding that could further lower the school districts’ obligation.

— MML

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Homedale Middle School engineering feats

Future City team just misses D.C. trip

In a show of consistency, a group of Homedale advanced science students has finished second in a regional city planning competition for the second year in a row.

HMS participants at the regional contest held at Boise State University included Leslie Albor, Lydia Aman, Tell Hyer, Dean Kester, Esteban Lejardi, Kathryn Thatcher, Jace Turner and Edmy Vega.

The eight middle school students came away with the best essay/narrative and best model, but lost the overall prize at the Idaho Regional National Engineers Week Future City competition on Jan. 9.

Idaho Distance Education Academy from Boise won the competition and qualified for the national competition next month in Washington D.C. Homedale missed the top spot by 10 points.

Teachers Jennifer Martin and Debby Turner led the class, and



The HMS Future City delegation included, from left, teacher Jennifer Martin, Kathryn Thatcher, Tell Hyer, Lydia Aman, Dean Kester, Jace Turner, Esteban Lejardi, Edmy Vega, mentor Don Vander Boegh and Leslie Albor. Submitted photo

Homedale-based professional engineer Don Vander Boegh served as mentor for the second consecutive year.

There were four phases to the competition, which focuses on green living, using recycled products and providing for people affected by disasters.

- Build a city model with recycled materials.
- A five- to seven-minute verbal presentation on the city and its amenities to a panel of judges.
- Design a city using Sim City4 software.
- Write an essay or abstract on the city and a 700 to 1,000-word essay about providing an affordable green living space for people who have lost their home because of a disaster or financial emergency.

Teams were judged in several areas, including most sustainable use of existing resources, excellence in systems integration, best futuristic city, most innovative infrastructure design, best transportation system, most innovative uses of aggregates in design, best incorporation of cultural and historical resources, most creative alternative design and best water resource management.

There also were awards on multidisciplinary solutions and best project.

The judges whittled the group down to the top five teams, which made presentations on their city. Then the top three teams were picked.

— Team member Lydia Aman contributed to this report.

Students guide “Forks” the robot to second

Scheduling conflicts keep team from State meet in Pocatello

Another group of Homedale Middle School students finished second in a recent regional robotics competition.

The Homedale Middle School Robotics Team was runner-up at the first Lego League competition held last month in Meridian. The students placed second in the contest’s teamwork division.

Although the team qualified for Saturday’s state competition in Pocatello, they didn’t go because of time constraints, principal Luci Asumendi-Merenez said.

The team that finished second

at the Dec. 12 competition at Mountain View High School included Daniel Silva, Miguel Salazar, Ismael Fernandez, Destiney Long, Mykal Hill, Noelle Mueller and Eric Sanchez.

HMS teachers Jennifer Martin and Debby Turner guided the team through the project, which was centered on design and construction of a robot.

The robot, dubbed Forks, was programmed to navigate through different obstacles.

The team began preparing for the competition in September.



Homedale Middle School students led by teachers Jennifer Martin and Debby Turner pose with their runner-up robot, “Forks”. Submitted photo

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Homedale schools analyze changing financial climate

With state financial support set to dwindle again, Homedale School District is looking at ways to beef up the bottom line.

The school board and teachers' association both signed off on the district joining the state Department of Education's efforts to get a piece of the Race to the Top federal grant during the Jan. 11 trustees meeting.

Superintendent for Public Instruction Tom Luna came to Homedale two weeks ago, to outline the plan to seek up to \$100 million in federal stimulus money for school districts that agreed to the campaign.

The key elements of the grant, if the state should get it, include funding for school improvement, alignment of standards and curriculum and bonus pay for teachers based on student achievement.

Additional funding to help districts find and retain teachers in hard-to-fill positions is another aspect Homedale superintendent Tim Rosandick finds attractive.

The possibility of federal money to help the school district do what Rosandick says it plans to do anyway — improvement — will come in handy if the Idaho Legislature is forced to take the knife to the state education budget again for fiscal year 2011.

Rosandick told trustees that state funding could drop by eight percent or more.

Homedale could see a potential loss of \$250,000 in funding because support unit calculations reflect a loss of 2.8 units (61.6 this year as opposed to 64.4). Support units are based on school enrollment figures.

In light of the dwindling attendance and state financial support, Rosandick also broached the subject of online education at last week's trustees meeting.

Rosandick said 12 million students take online courses after high school, and that online courses during high school could become likely or part of graduation criteria.

He said reduced average daily attendance and funding and its effect on staffing could make online courses more of a necessity in the Homedale district.

— JPB

From page 1

✓ LID: Engineer reports city was ineligible for \$100K lighting grant

Homedale School District superintendent Tim Rosandick and Homedale Chamber of Commerce president Gavin Parker spoke in favor the LID, but property owners Bob Ensley and Kenne and Darlene Metzger wrote letters protesting the district.

"The grant money we have is going to save those in the district 50 cents on the dollar, if not more," Parker said.

The Metzgers asserted in their letter that while the city received the necessary 66 percent consent to move forward with the LID, most of the property owners who signed the petition were among those who would pay the least amount of money on assessments to construct sidewalks, curbs and gutters and install streetlights.

Residential property owner Delilah Barnard voiced concern that the improvements would inflate the property tax assessments on her holdings.

Kenne Metzger also gave testimony at Wednesday's hearing, stating that his analysis of the property-by-property assessment revealed that the costs for the same improvements varied from parcel to parcel.

LID officials did answer some questions regarding why certain improvements were shelved and why other funding sources weren't sought.

There was no application made for a \$100,000 federal grant for energy-efficient lighting because the city was ineligible since it already received the \$500,000 block grant, which is another form of federal support, project engineer Andrew Kimmel of Professional Engineering Consultants, Inc., said.

The streetfront along the Amalgamated Sugar Co.'s beet dump near the east entrance to town won't received improvements, Kimmel said, because the future development potential of the property is unknown and it is the site of a major storm drain terminus for the city.

New sidewalks won't be placed on the exterior of First Street East south of the alley because there's not enough room. First Street West won't receive sidewalk near the South Board of Control property because of the need for a long approach for the irrigation agency's utility yard.

Public works supervisor Larry Bauer stressed that the city will work with property owners to adjust approaches that are unacceptable.

One of the next steps in the process is to call for construction bids on the improvements.

The next public hearing is scheduled after the construction is done, city LID attorney Stephanie Bonney said. The next hearing will allow property owners to protest their final assessments.

Mayor Harold Wilson thanked the City Hall staff and other officials for their help in the LID campaign before the final vote.

"We got this done the legal way," Wilson said. "I didn't have to twist anybody's arm."

— JPB

✓ Library: Preliminary building plan could be ready for February meet

Birds, elephants inhabit story time

Story time at Homedale Public Library will feature "There Is A Bird On Your Head" by Mo Willems at 10:15 a.m. on Friday.

One day a bird landed on Elephant's head. Elephant tries to run and get rid of the bird. But the bird comes back with another bird — who also lands on Elephant's head — and proceeds to make a nest on Elephant's head and lays eggs. What will poor Elephant do? Can his friend Piggy help rid his head of the nest of birds?

Along with the story, there will be songs, refreshments and crafts. The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. For more information, call 337-4228 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

looking at the bigger picture.

"I have concerns about what we're doing here," Downing said after the meeting. "Apparently there's been some city business taking place, and the council really hasn't been kept informed. I'm really in the dark on it.

"My concern would be we don't want to commit ourselves. We want to find out what the bottom line would be, for one thing."

Councilman Aaron Tines agreed that more information is needed about the project and how future costs will be covered before any other action is taken. He'd like to see a comprehensive plan about funding the new library beyond initial construction.

"One of my biggest fears is this administration gives them the blessing on it and gives them the maintenance cost increase," Tines said. "In two years, if two other councilmen (are in office) and the mayor leaves ... who says the other council is going to keep that (commitment)?"

The council unanimously agreed to re-visit the issue on Feb. 10, by which time a preliminary design plan could be completed. Mayor Harold Wilson told the council he's in contact with an architect recommended by Rob Roberts.

Wilson declined to comment for this story.

Mike Brown of Diamond B Group Inc., which used to have an architectural office in Homedale, said his company had drawn up plans for a new library last year for no cost. He said last week that he was informed on Jan. 11 that another architect would be secured. Brown didn't identify with whom he met, but City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram confirmed he did visit City Hall two days before the council meeting.

On Friday, library director Margaret Fujishin said a colleague of the R&M Steel owners is working with her "crude rough draft" as a jumping-off point to get preliminary cost estimates. She also said that the decision to go with an architect other than Brown stemmed in part from her dealings with him.

"I asked him to give me a rough approximation of what it might cost for architectural work for a new library. The figure he suggested seemed pretty high to me, and I felt I should seek a much lower-priced option somewhere else," Fujishin said.

"Also, the phone conversation revealed a personality that I felt would not mesh with mine."

The building is valued at about \$36,000, and Fujishin said the library has about \$168,000 in the state investment pool. Those funds — derived from bequests made to the library since 1996 — have been earmarked to construct a new building, she said.

Eleven months ago, the council voted to donate the parcel immediately east of City Hall on West Wyoming Avenue for the library's new location, provided that grant money would be secured for the construction.

Last year, the library was unable to get federal stimulus money to help pay for a new library. No other grant money is on hand, Fujishin said.

"My dream would be if we could get all the money donated," Fujishin said.

This is the second large donation to a area project by R&M Steel in the past year. The company also made a commitment to give about \$500,000 in building materials to the Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency's planned regional technical center.

Mike Pollard of the Western Alliance for Economic Development was credited with playing a vital role in bringing the library effort and R&M Steel together.

— JPB

✓ Arsenic: City has secured grant, \$1.5M loan from two state agencies

in a lengthy process to build a treatment facility with a \$360,000 Idaho Community Development Block Grant from the state Department of Commerce and a \$1.5 million loan from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

Gehrke planned to submit a preliminary engineering report on the project to DEQ last week. He also said design plans and specifications probably will be sent to the state environmental quality agency in April with the construction bidding process beginning sometime in July.

The project will include a 150,000-gallon steel tank located adjacent to the city's existing water tank as well as the filtration system and related components, Gehrke said.

The engineer said the coagulation filtration system was chosen after pilot testing showed the first option — an absorptive media treatment — would cost about \$40,000 per year to operate. The coagulation filtration will cost only about \$9,000 annually, Gehrke said.

"We pilot-tested and determined that it looks like ... it will be a good fit for the system with lower operation costs," he said.

Because of the cost-prohibitive nature of the first removal option, Grand View had received an extension from DEQ in its quest to find a suitable method.

While the Department of Commerce money is a grant and does not have to repaid, the DEQ money is a loan. The city will have to pay back only half of the \$1.5 million, however, on a zero-interest plan.

— JPB

Obituaries

Evelyn L. Hill

Evelyn L. Hill, 73, of Homedale, passed away on Saturday, January 16, 2010 at home with her family. Funeral Services will be held at 2:00PM on Friday, January 22, 2010 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Interment will follow at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

Evelyn was born in Missouri to Martin and Fern Helton. The family moved to Idaho when she was 4 yrs old. She was raised in Emmett, Brownlee, and Horseshoe Bend area. She met Cecil Hill at school and later married him in 1954. They were married 55 years and had two children; Gene Hill



and Deb Hill. She enjoyed crafts, spending time with her friends and family and going to church. Evelyn at-

tended the Homedale Assembly of God Church where she loved to sing.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and older sister, Norma Wellner. She is survived by her children, Gene Hill of Homedale, Deb Hill of Caldwell, two grandchildren, Cody and Jena Hill of Caldwell, Raelynn and Clay Moroney of Emmett, three great-grandchildren, Trapper, Preston, and Ember.

A special thanks to Legacy Hospice for the loving care that you provided.

Condolences may be sent to www.flahifffuneralchapel.com

Rodger Steven Nash

Rodger Steven Nash, 75, of Homedale, passed away suddenly Monday, January 11, 2010. Rodger was born February 1, 1934, to Hoyt and Opal Nash in a two-room house on the 40-acre homestead on which five generations of Nashes have lived. He was the second of five children to be raised in the tiny home and learned at an early age the value of equal measures of hard work and play. He worked at a number of part-time jobs in high school and excelled in football, basketball, baseball, and track.

Rodger graduated from Homedale High School in 1952, joined the National Guard, and worked at a number of farming-related jobs. He met Ardis Minna, a teacher, at a dance in Homedale in April of 1959 and knew he had found his future wife. They married June 5, 1960, and started their life together in an apartment in Caldwell. On May 18, 1961, their first daughter, Valerie, was born, and the young family moved to a small farm east of Homedale the following year. Rodger ran the potato shed in Homedale in the summer; Ardis weighed sacks so she could be with him. He began working for the sugar beet company in 1963. Son Steven was born on April 15, 1964. Rodger was working for W-D



Seed when daughter Shannon was born on October 27, 1966. He began working for the Idaho Potato Growers Association (later Carnation Potato Division) in 1967. The family welcomed son Ryan on July 10, 1969. The Nashes had outgrown their little home and moved into town the summer of 1970.

Over the next decade, Rodger worked for Carnation as a field man and began farming as well in the mid-70s. In 1979, he was farming full time, growing primarily potatoes, sugar beets, and corn. He continued farming for twenty years, retiring in 1999.

In his retirement years, Rodger loved following his grandchildren's activities and playing cards with his buddies. On a typical day, he could be found solving the world's problems over coffee with friends in the morning and making the rounds of his son Steve's various crops in the afternoon.

Rodger and Ardis had been married 48 years at the time of her death last year. Rodger was also preceded in death by



his parents; sister, Lynnette; grandson, Alex Stacey; and nephew, Randy Shanley. He is survived by his sisters, Vivian Downing of Madras, Oregon, and Mildreta Shanley of Homedale; brother, Craig Nash of Escalon, California; and his children and their spouses, Valerie and Steve Stacey, Steve and Leslie Nash, Shannon and Toby Johnson, and Ryan and Heidi Nash, all of Homedale. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Jonathan Stacey; Aubrey, Morgan, and Kendall Nash; Hannah, Nash, and Lainey Johnson; Gabrielle, Victoria, and Sophia Nash; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Memorial service was held at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Rd, Wilder, ID, on Sunday, January 17, at 3:00 p.m. Services are under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Memorial contributions may be made to the Homedale Friends Community Church building fund. Condolences may be given at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com

School menus

Homedale Elementary

- Jan. 20: Chicken nuggets or egg rolls, rice pilaf, mixed veggies, fruit & veggie bar, fortune cookie, milk.
- Jan. 21: Lasagna or mini corn dogs, corn, fruit & veggie bar, turnover, milk.
- Jan. 22: Fish nuggets or turkey sandwich, French fries, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.
- Jan. 25: Sloppy Joe or hot dog, tots, fruit & veggie bar, chocolate pudding, milk.
- Jan. 26: Spaghetti or pizza hot pocket, French bread, green beans, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Jan. 27: Chicken nuggets or finger steaks, broccoli, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon roll.

Homedale Middle

- Jan. 20: Burrito or fish sandwich, corn, fruit & veggie bar, apple crisp, milk.
- Jan. 21: Spaghetti or chicken bacon melt, bread stick, fruit & veggie bar, milk.
- Jan. 22: Pizza or popcorn chicken, tossed salad, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.
- Jan. 25: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk.
- Jan. 26: Wiener wrap or sloppy Joe, fruit & veggie bar, cake, milk.
- Jan. 27: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit & veggie bar, fruit rollup, milk.

Homedale High

- Jan. 20: Spaghetti, burrito or pizza hot pocket, string cheese, French bread, fruit bar, milk.
- Jan. 21: Chicken patty or hamburger, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar, churro, milk.
- Jan. 22: Beef taco or toasted cheese sandwich, soup, corn, fruit & salad bar, milk.
- Jan. 25: Cheese pizza, mini corn dogs or chef salad, fruit bar, brownie, milk.
- Jan. 26: Chicken tenders or wiener wrap, scalloped potatoes, fruit bar, fruit rollup, milk.
- Jan. 27: Enchilada, burrito or pizza hot pocket, baked potato, fruit & salad bar, milk.

Marsing

- Jan. 20: Macaroni & cheese, veggie, burrito, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.
- Jan. 21: Chili, carrot sticks, dessert, chicken nuggets, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.
- Jan. 22: Corn dog, veggie, chocolate pudding, baked potato, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.
- Jan. 25: Lasagna, garden salad, Italian bread, corn dog, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.
- Jan. 26: Pizza, veggie, chocolate pudding, sandwiches, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.
- Jan. 27: Chicken nugget, veggie, chocolate pudding, chicken fajita, maple bar, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Bruneau

- Jan. 20: Ham, potatoes/gravy, veggie, roll/butter, fruit, milk.
- Jan. 21: Waffles & strawberries, sausage, hashbrowns, scrambled eggs, milk.
- Jan. 22: Hamburger, fries, veggie, fruit, cookie, milk.
- Jan. 25: Chicken patty, scalloped potatoes, broccoli, peaches, cake, milk.
- Jan. 26: Haystacks, corn, bread stick, pears, milk.
- Jan. 27: Turkey & noodles, green beans, fruited jello, roll/jelly, milk.

Death notices

RICHARD C. DICK, 63, of Owyhee, Nev., died Thursday, Jan. 14, 2010, at a local hospital. Services are pending with Bowman Funeral Parlor, Garden City.

JANET (JANE) BESSIE IVEY, 82, a Homedale native, died Sunday, Jan. 10, 2010. A celebration of life will be held at noon on Saturday, Jan. 30, 2010, at the Assembly of God Church in Council. A dinner will follow the service.

JAY D. WILSON, 79, Marsing native, died Sunday, Jan. 17, 2010, in Salt Lake City. A funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, 2010, at the LDS church, 2447 West 11400 South, South Jordan, Utah, 84095. Services under the direction of Broomhead Funeral Home, (801) 254-3389

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Today

Celebrate Recovery
6:30 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520

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

Bruneau and Beyond speaker luncheon
Noon, free, RSVP by Jan. 18, Bruneau Valley Library, 32068 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2345

Thursday

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

Friends of the Lizard Butte Library meeting
6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing

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

Celebrate Recovery
6:30 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520

Friday

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

Saturday

Melba Community Auction
8:30 a.m., auction preview; 10 a.m., 61st annual auction, Melba High School gymnasium, Melba. melbacommunityauction@blogspot.com or (208) 495-2669

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

Men’s Wild Game Feed
6 p.m. to 9 p.m., dinner and auction, \$7, Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Homedale. (208) 337-3151

Monday

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

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

HTAA meeting
6:30 p.m., Homedale High School library, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4613

Tuesday

Mental health support groups
6 p.m., Marsing Nazarene Church, 112 W. 2nd Ave., Marsing. (208) 896-5630

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

Wednesday

Celebrate Recovery
6:30 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520

Homedale Youth Sports signups
6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., 880-4552

Thursday, Jan. 28

Jordan Valley CWMA weed seminar
10:30 a.m., Jordan Valley Lions Den. (541) 586-3000

Narcotics Anonymous book study
8 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church,

17454 Hwy 95 S., Homedale

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

Celebrate Recovery
6:30 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520

Homedale Youth Sports signups
6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., 880-4552

Friday, Jan. 29

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

ION Heritage Museum annual meeting
2 p.m., The Old Basque Inn, Jordan Valley. (541) 586-2100

Saturday, Jan. 30

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

Monday, Feb. 1

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

Tuesday, Feb. 2

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

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

Ridgeview Irrigation District board meeting
1 p.m., 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

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

Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon
Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3271

Wednesday, Feb. 3

Homedale Senior Center board meeting
1:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Celebrate Recovery
6:30 p.m., Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3520

Owyhee County P&Z hearing
11 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2095

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Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar.

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Mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867.

E-mail them to jon@owyheeavalanche.com (an e-mail link also is available on our Web site).

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



Bet You Didn’t Know

Grocer or grosser? Probably good they changed spelling

So where’d we get the word ... “grocer”? It originally meant a person involved in the wholesale trading of foodstuffs. Since he sold goods by in bulk or by the “gross” the word evolved as we use it today.

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We use the words ... “to weasel out of something” as a result of watching the animal called a weasel try to squirm and wiggle it’s way out of a trap once he’s been caught. People are said to use the same technique to get out of tight situations.

So you’re in the desert and you need a hardy beast of burden. Use a camel, right? Wrong. A giraffe can go much longer without water than a camel. Haven’t seen too

many giraffes loaded up with stuff however.

I don’t know how long camels and giraffes can hold out without water, but the average human can make it about 11 days at 60 degrees.

Everyone knew that Burt Lancaster started out as a lingerie salesman before he became famous as an actor.

Speaking of famous people ... Robert Mitchum once got fired from an auto factory in Detroit for refusing to wear socks to work.

While we’re on this ... Ringo Starr got fired as a barman on a charter boat for talking back to his boss after an all-night party.

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

Garretts make LCSC fall academic lists

Homedale High School grads Hailee and Ryan Garrett were honored with inclusion on the Lewis-Clark State College honors lists this Fall semester.

Hailee, a senior, was included in the President’s List for the Fall 2009 semester, while freshman Ryan made the 2009 Dean’s

List. To qualify for the President’s List a student must hold a grade point average of at least 3.75. For the Dean’s List, GPA must meet or exceed 3.25.

The two Garretts are the children of Randee and Gregg Garrett.

Senior menus

Homedale

All meals include beverage

- Jan. 20: Baked fish, baked potato, California blend vegetables, roll
- Jan. 21: Roast pork, mashed potatoes, beets, gravy, roll
- Jan. 26: French dip sandwich, baked potato, broccoli
- Jan. 27: Baked chicken noodles, gravy, broccoli & cauliflower, roll
- Jan. 28: Beef fajitas, California blend vegetables, baked potato

Marsing

- Jan. 20: Ham & beans, mixed vegetables, green salad, corn bread, apple crisp
- Jan. 21: Baked chicken, au gratin potatoes, broccoli, carrots, onion, cabbage/raisin slaw, orange juice, beets, roll, prunes, oat crunch
- Jan. 25: Breakfast to order. Waffles
- Jan. 26: Roast beef, potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, pears, roll, choc zucchini cake
- Jan. 27: Spaghetti, Brussels sprouts, tossed salad, cobbler, French bread
- Jan. 28: Pork chops, Spanish rice, apple salad, roll, green beans, cookie

ION Heritage Museum plans annual meet

MHS gets security upgrade

The ION Heritage Museum in Jordan Valley will hold its annual meeting next week.

The meeting takes place from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 29, at the Old Basque Inn.

New officers will be elected, and plans for the coming year will be hashed out.

Other projects already are in the works, according to the museum's December newsletter:

- Building a blacksmith shop at the museum on Swisher Avenue from the garage and shed.

The board is mulling grants

and seeks help with the shop.

- Handball experts from Boise giving Jordan Valley youth instruction in the sport.

The museum averaged 50 visitors a month in the summer.

For more information, call the museum at (541) 586-2100.

Marsing High School has 13 new surveillance cameras.

The cameras, three outside and 10 inside the building, will help deter vandalism and theft, principal Wade Pilloud said. They are linked to a computer system that can record events 24/7, and is Web-based for monitoring from any administration computer.

Law enforcement eventually could have access, allowing a visual check when an alarm was triggered, Pilloud said, though the district has yet to determine if there were any legal concerns.

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Students named aerospace scholars

Two Homedale High School students have taken one small step toward possibly participating in a summer NASA camp.

Jarod Armenta and Jonny Stacey, both 16, are among approximately 70 Idaho high school juniors named Idaho Science and Aerospace Scholars (ISAS).

The boys will start a 16-week online study course later this month through the Idaho Digital Learning Academy.

The top 44 performers in the course have a shot at attending the ISAS Summer Academy, which is a weeklong camp where students will take part in a mentored team aerospace mission at Boise State University and the NASA Ames Research Center at Moffett Field in California.

“It’s a great opportunity, and I’m looking forward to giving it a shot,” Stacey said.

Armenta and Stacey will take the online courses from home through the Idaho Distance Learning Academy, according to the state Department of Education’s ISAS Web site.

The program is part of the state agency’s STEM initiative, which emphasizes the importance of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

In order to apply, students must have completed Algebra I, Geometry, an Earth or Physical Science course and Biology. The criteria also included a minimum 2.7 grade-point average, which is no sweat for Armenta and Stacey, both of whom carry 4.0s.

HHS guidance counselor Kelly DeWitt was instrumental in helping Armenta and Stacey apply for the program. They submitted their applications on the last day possible.

“I walked down to their classroom (Jan. 8) and asked them if they had applied,” DeWitt said. “They hadn’t but they had heard about it in the bulletin and it had crossed their minds.

“We printed out the necessary paperwork and got to work. We faxed things in. On the cover of the fax, I put ‘These two boys would be perfect candidates’.”

Apparently the selectors agreed because ISAS science coordinator Scott Smith sent an e-mail back to



Jarod Armenta and Jonny Stacey

DeWitt saying the students had been accepted into the online course.

Both students have an interest in science, but admit that aerospace hasn’t been their focus. The closest Stacey has gotten to space and aeronautics was a short summer activity building and firing off model rockets when he was in elementary school in Portland.

Armenta never has fired a toy rocket.

However, the 16-year-olds look at the course as an opportunity to learn something new and beef up what probably already are a couple of impressive-looking college resumes.

“I want to go to Stanford, and hopefully it’ll help,” said Jonny, who is the son of Steve and Valerie Stacey.

He’s interested in an environmental engineering career

Jarod, whose parents are Nathan and Teresa, eyes either tiny Linfield College in McMinnville, Ore., or The College of Idaho in Caldwell. He’s leaning toward the health care field as an anesthesiologist.

Both students are in Teens Against Tobacco Use and the Idaho National Laboratory Scholastic team, while Armenta also takes part in the Science Club, Business Professionals of America and the Drama Club.

Stacey is in the Chess Club and also plays football, baseball and basketball. Armenta previously competed in cross country before the program was dropped at the high school.

— JPB

Winter weed seminar set in Jordan Valley

The Jordan Valley Cooperative Weed Management Area will hold a winter weed seminar Thursday, Jan. 28.

The seminar begins with registration at 10:30 a.m. at the Jordan Valley Lions Den.

The agenda includes an update from Jordan Valley CWMA coordinator Eric Morrison and a presentation from Greg Winans of Tri-County Weed on identification and control of yellow starthistle and rush skeletonweed.

After lunch Trent Busseau of Dow Agro will address milestone herbicide weed control as part of an environmental stewardship presentation.

Adena Green of the Adrian, Ore.-based Owyhee Watershed Council will speak on the environmental and economic impacts of noxious weeds.

Agency updates will follow at 2:45 p.m.

For more information on the winter weed seminar, e-mail jwcma@qwestoffice.net or call (541) 586-3000.

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Idaho Power hosts B2H meet in Parma

Following the submission of alternate routes for the Boardman to Hemingway (B2H) transmission line by Public Advisory Teams (PATs) last year, Idaho Power will host a meeting to discuss those alternates on Jan. 21.

The meeting will run from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Community House of Kirkpatrick Church in Parma.

The agenda for the meeting indicates that PAT team No. 5 business will be discussed, and Idaho routes S6, S7, northern S13 and S18 will be discussed. Some alternates to these four routes run through Owyhee County. The final route for the 500-kilovolt line will not be determined until after the draft Environmental Impact

Statement to be done by the Bureau of Land Management.

According to an Idaho Power release, “four of the routes that were developed include segments that cross Payette, Canyon, Gem and Washington counties in Idaho. Idaho Power is hosting a meeting to discuss these routes in further detail.”

The routes can be viewed online at www.boardmantohemingway.com/idaho_power_CAP_maps.

Those planning to attend the meeting are asked to RSVP with Amanda Edge by calling 208-377-9688, or by e-mail to edge@amanda@rbci.net, Kent McCarthy at kmccarthy@idahopower.com, or Rosemary Curtin at rosemary@rbci.net.

Federal stimulus helps fund Owyhee Wilderness posting

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds are being used to acquire signposts and decals that delineate boundaries and for hiring work crews to place markers along boundaries and cherry-stemmed roads in the new Owyhee Initiative Wilderness areas defined by the Omnibus Public Lands Management Act.

Work began in summer 2009 and continued into the fall as weather permitted, according to the Bureau of Land Management.

The signage being placed in the Owyhee Wilderness areas are boundary markers in the form of Carsonite posts, mostly along roadways, BLM spokesperson

Heather Feeney said.

Remaining work will be completed in the spring on signage for the 517,000 acres of wilderness in Owyhee County, according to the BLM Web site.

GPS coordinates that the 11-person BLM seasonal crew collects are also being fed back into the BLM GIS database for use in making the official maps of the Wilderness areas, Feeney explained. Once those maps are complete, they will be printed in large format and placed in kiosks at key points around the Wilderness areas.

The mapmaking and kiosk construction are not funded by ARRA, though BLM will make

use of the GPS data collected by the ARRA project crew as that crew places the Carsonite markers, Feeney said.

The 3,000 Carsonite posts (Carsonite is a brand name for the material seen most often in reflector posts beside highways) were purchased with ARRA funds, Feeney said.

“The 11-person crew is working mainly along roadways,” Feeney said, “but they are also doing an inventory of range projects in the area to meet some of the requirements in the Act that designated the Wilderness. Noting where range projects and improvements are located also enhances the maps.”

Honor rolls Homedale Middle School

Second quarter
Eighth grade
4.0 grade-point average — Leslie Albor, Lydia N. Aman, Katie A. Deal, Alisandro I. Garcia, Quincy D. Hall, Jedidiah Jones, Brenny E. Kilby, Shelby A. Lee, Esteban J. Lejardi, Destiny N. Long, Madelon R. Maxwell and Eric C. Sanchez

3.5 to 3.99 — Benjamin J. Cardenas, 3.86; Lizett Chavez, 3.86; Tell R. Hyer, 3.86; Edmy Vega, 3.86; Cameron D. Brandhagen, 3.83; Lauren C. Craft, 3.83; Angel E. Cardenas, 3.71; Mykal V. Hill, 3.71; Trey B. Lane, 3.71; Kaylee N. Rupp, 3.71; Kathryn C. Thatcher, 3.71; Stephanie Aguilera, 3.67; Britt A. Eubanks, 3.67; Maria D. Castro, 3.57; Stephanie D. Kennedy, 3.57; Haley E. Kushlan, 3.57; Cheyenne N. Steinmetz, 3.57; and Jesse Padilla, 3.56

3.0 to 3.49 — Emileen I. Noblit, 3.43; Jace R. Turner, 3.43; Brenda V V. Vega, 3.43; Kody A. Dycus, 3.29; Cristian Padilla, 3.29; Curtis L. Stansell, 3.17; McKenna N. Chadez, 3.14; Juliana L. Hart, 3.14; Logan T. Moore, 3.14; Dakota A. Norris, 3.14; Emylee S. Obregon, 3.14; Karl L. Henry,

3.0; Nathan H. Leslie, 3.0; Larry C. Vega, 3.0

Seventh grade
4.0 — Brooke A. Armenta, Sierra K. Bowman, Katlin J. Carbone, Michelle M. Castro, Justine N. Cornwall, Alec J. Egurrola, Jennifer M. Hernandez, Kyler J. Landa, Andrea N. Marshall, Harriet K. Mertz, Kerigan J. Morris, Morgan E. Nash, Victoria B. Nash, Delaney M. Phariss, Paige A. Pippen, Carlie M. Purdom, Miguel A. Salazar, Elise A. Shenk and Vanessa N. Zenor

3.5 to 3.99 — Amos R. Aguilera, 3.86; Ismael R. Fernandez, 3.86; Garrett F. McRae, 3.86; McKenna E. Calzacorta, 3.83; Colton W. Grimm, 3.83; Rocio G. Juan, 3.83; Meriah K. Bowen, 3.71; Sarah L. Dixon, 3.71; Erika M. Miklancic, 3.71; Brady J. Brown, 3.67; Daniel S. Silva, 3.67; Bailey R. Adams, 3.57; Alejandra G. Almaraz, 3.57; Makenzie M. Anderson, 3.57; Monique R. Davis, 3.57; Devin M. Fisher, 3.57; Isabelle C. Fogg, 3.57; Orrin C. Gardner, 3.57; Gavin J. Palumbo, 3.57; Samantha J. Vasquez, 3.56; and Chase R. Johnson, 3.5

3.0 to 3.49 — Roni M. Black,

3.43; EmmaRae L. Eells, 3.43; Quinton L. Fry, 3.43; Marissa T. Guzman, 3.43; Jose A. Ibarra, 3.43; Andrew C. Randall, 3.43; Trent A. Rock, 3.43; Caitlin J. Spillman, 3.43; Samantha L. Woods, 3.43; Abraham Monreal, 3.33; Rosa G. Contreras, 3.29; Sierra B. Renteria, 3.29; Kincaide A. Kincheloe, 3.17; Jesus Camargo, 3.14; Alyx R. Christensen, 3.14; Hernan Albor, 3.0; Jazmin Albor, 3.0; Rishelle A. Dickinson, 3.0; and Andrew Martinez, 3.0

Sixth grade
4.0 — Dylan R. Burks, Orion S. Cardenas-Ritzert, Connor W. Carter, Madison N. Conant, Maya F. Correa, Madison L. Fisher, Kimberly R. Galvan, Brady J. Hansen, Nash J. Johnson, Michael J. Lejardi, Lawsen J. Matteson, Derek E. Pfost, Matthew P. Thatcher, and Josh M. Tolmie

3.5 to 3.99 — Jairo Barbosa, 3.83; Jennifer Bautista, 3.83; Hayden K. Brattin, 3.83; Garrett C. Carter, 3.83; Diana C. Gonzalez, 3.83; Bryce O. Hellman, 3.83; Taylor A. Kerbs, 3.83; Victoria B. Lane, 3.83; Gardenia G. Machuca, 3.83; Manuel Macias, 3.83; Chase

D. Martell, 3.83; Noe Sanchez, 3.83; Benjamin C. Schamber, 3.83; Devon G. Schoonover, 3.83; Caleb J. Smith, 3.83; Megan M. Aman, 3.71; Elizabeth M. Hernandez, 3.71; Kirsten Egurrola, 3.67; Andres F. Luna, 3.67; Stephanie Moreno, 3.67; Laurn E. Robinson, 3.67; Jennifer A. Robles, 3.67; Makayla R. Steinmetz, 3.67; Eduardo A. Padilla-Velasquez, 3.57; Raquel Palacios, 3.57; Jordan L. Stuart, 3.57; Makayla M. Aberasturi, 3.5; Jacob T. Christensen, 3.5; Lance M. Eaton, 3.5; Shantay H. Garcia, 3.5; Sage A. Morgan, 3.5; Andrew G. Parker, 3.5; Valeria V. Ramirez, 3.5; and Sydnee R. Shanley, 3.5

3.0 to 3.49 — Mariela Esparza, 3.33; Nathaly Jimenez, 3.33; Adrianna C. Salutregui, 3.33; Rosalinda Alvarez, 3.29; Hailey A. Glanzman, 3.29; Trace J. Cline, 3.17; Brandon L. Miller, 3.17; Roger Alan C. Redding, 3.17; Jose J. Reyes, 3.17; Alexis G. Vega, 3.17; Joshua J. Waller, 3.17; Baylee A. Webster, 3.17; Kendra E. Christiansen, 3.14; Jace M. Damron, 3.14; Daniel Escutia, 3.0; Brittany L. Garcia, 3.0; Shyanne R. Kelly, 3.0; and Dylan M. Phariss, 3.0

Fifth grade
4.0 — Jacob W. Deal, Michael R. Dixon, Alyssa B. Emery, Riley E. Haun, Sarah Jones, Lindsey McRae and Craig K. Romriell

3.5 to 3.99 — Hannah M. Downum, 3.86; Savannah B. Renteria, 3.86; Tyson J. Carr, 3.83; Annabel Vega, 3.83; Jacob B. McCutchen, 3.71; Simon Whitted, 3.71; Angel Chavez, 3.67; Alexis M. Conner, 3.67; Jacob R. Furlott, 3.67; John D. Gomez, 3.67; Fletcher S. Kelly, 3.67; Brian C. Geertson, 3.57; Benjamin N. Holloway, 3.57; Shane J. Keller, 3.57; Samantha J. Bedolla, 3.5; Siri Gierlich, 3.5; Caleb C. Meligan, 3.5; Ryan J. Randall, 3.5; Drew A. Taylor, 3.5; and Alyssa M. Troxel, 3.5

3.0 to 3.49 — Leslie D. Denke, 3.43; Patrick K. McMichael, 3.43; Lauren F. Barraza, 3.33; Megan S. Maxwell, 3.33; Mellissa D. Sevy, 3.33; Gabriel Almaraz, 3.29; Juan P. Martinez, 3.29; Shantel-Christine M. Neil, 3.29; Carlie M. Sawyer, 3.17; Kandie M. Sanders, 3.14; Gabrielle L. Vinzant, 3.14; Rian J. Beebe, 3.0; Jeremiah L. Edmiston, 3.0; Anna F. Jerome, 3.0; and Emma L. McMichael, 3.0

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First semester
12th grade
High honors — Rebecca Barrett, 4.0 grade-point average; Anna Cantrell, 4.0; Connor Merrick, 4.0; Shaelyn Merrick, 4.0; Brian Simper; 4.0; Jackie Thurman, 4.0; Ramona Telser, 3.875; and Stevie Richardson, 3.857. **Honors** — Cody McCarthy, 3.625; William Smith, 3.5; Shoni Gennette, 3.444; Stephanie Bauer, 3.33; Eduardo Alcantar, 3.3; Stetson Dick, 3.25; Mya Draper, 3.25; Sarah Chandler, 3.2; Kevin Barroso Jr., 3.125; Travis Jackson, 3.0; Janice Ontiveros,

3.0; and Allie Pennington, 3.0

11th grade
High honors — Katie Johnson, 3.8333. **Honors** — Francisco Garcia, 3.6667; Francisco Ayala, 3.625; Cody Worthington, 3.6667; Lyndie Gillespie, 3.4286; Laura Smith, 3.2857; Cody Gettman, 3.25; Cesar Varela, 3.25; Ana Alcantar, 3.1429; Luis Araujo, 3.1429; Yvonne Elizarraras, 3.0; Ashley Jayo, 3.0; and Brittany Rahier, 3.0

10th grade
High honors — Nathan Black,

4.0; Abbigail Caballero, 4.0; and Miranda Dehart, 4.0.

Honors — Francisco Garcia, 3.6667; Cody Worthington, 3.6667; Francisco Ayala, 3.625; Courtney Bennett, 3.625; Lyndie Gillespie, 3.4286; Clay Cantrell, 3.4; Austin Lente, 3.375; Seryn Macleod, 3.375; Laura Smith, 3.2857; Cody Gettman, 3.25; Anabel Meza, 3.25; Cesar Varela, 3.25; Ana Alcantar, 3.1429; Luis Araujo, 3.1429; Sydnee James, 3.125; Yvonne Elizarraras, 3.0; Ashley Jayo, 3.0; and Brittany Rahier, 3.0

Ninth grade
High honors — Julianne Mori, 4.0; and Bronson Gray, 3.75. **Honors** — Austin Meyers, 3.7143; Porter Simper, 3.7143; Baileigh Altland, 3.625; Kurtis Rathsack, 3.5714; Kaitlin Erwin, 3.4444; Robert Draper, 3.375; Trevor Ramirez, 3.375; Christopher Lootens, 3.25; and Savannah Richardson, 3.25

Eighth grade
Honors — Sami Jo Bachman, 3.4286; Jared Lemieux, 3.375; Jennifer Elizarraras, 3.25; Cruz

Rodriguez, 3.25; Bridget Black, 3.125; Kyla Jewett, 3.125; Adam Johnson, 3.125; Veronica Gomez, 3.0; and Ramon Salinas, 3.0

Seventh grade
High honors — Cristal Perez, 3.75. **Honors** — Taylor Ramirez, 3.625; Chance Beck, 3.5; Kaleb Burbank, 3.375; MacKenzie (Keni) Meyers, 3.125; Isaac Riley, 3.125; Hailey Boman, 3.0; Diego Alizarraras, 3.0; Cheyenne Heeb, 3.0; Angeles Lino, 3.0; and Sanjuana Angelica Zaragoza, 3.0

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Sixth-graders' ticket sales hit \$1,700

Homedale Middle School sixth-graders have raised more than \$1,700 after two rounds of ticket sales for the 49th annual Homedale International Smorgasbord. Tickets for the Feb. 13 event are \$30 for a family (two adults and a maximum of eight people), \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors, \$5 for kindergarteners through sixth-graders and \$3 for preschoolers. The second group of top-sellers were rewarded Friday for helping bring in \$955:

Back row, from left: Co-chair Halie Grant, chair Jessi Webster; Sydnee Shanley (Lesa Folwell's class, \$30), Benjamin Schamber (Craig Pentecost's class, \$42), Michael Lejardi (Pat Warren's class, \$218) and co-chair Perry Grant.

Front row, from left: Baylee Webster (David Hann's class, \$82) and Nash Johnson (Wendy Schamber's class, \$389).



Marsing student goes for Eagle Scout badge

Right: Nathan Danner takes a picture during Thursday's Red Cross blood drive at Marsing High School. Danner was volunteering and helping with the drive as part of his Eagle Scout project.

The drive saw donations from both students and residents in Marsing. Organizers saw about a dozen volunteers in the first hour of the drive, and seats were filled with more waiting their turn.

Above: Marsing Ambulance AMT Betty Ackerman is prepped for her donation at Thursday's Red Cross blood drive at Marsing High School.



Birthday Ruth Davis marks 95th

A birthday celebration for Ruth Davis of Marsing will be held Saturday at the Marsing LDS church from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Friends and family members of Davis, who is celebrating her 95th birthday, are invited.

No gifts are requested, but a release said that cards and well-wishes are welcome.

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“Hyperactive” granddad packs many pursuits into life

Most people have a few hobbies, and a career. Marsing’s John Larsen has more than a few of each, and, nearing 75, he has no intention of slowing down.

Larsen, born in Glendive, Mont., in 1935, is a musician, pilot, engineer, author, designer, storyteller, historian and guitar-maker. He’s also public works director for the city of Marsing. And he has portrayed Col. Dewey during Outpost Days.

He grew up in Marsing, having moved to the city in 1942, and is a graduate of Marsing High School. He attended the University of Colorado, and graduated from the College of Idaho with an engineering degree.

His careers have been varied. He’s been an engineer for Boeing in Seattle, spent 13 years as an insurance adjuster for Farmer’s Insurance in Boise, has run a motorcycle dealership, has worked in aircraft design and has written a slew of articles and manuals on motorcycles, aircraft and the like. He spent 13 years in real estate with Rhema Real Estate in Boise, while simultaneously working in the CB radio field.

If he sounds like he keeps busy, he does. He described himself as an OCD multi-tasker.

“People wonder what ever happens to hyperactive children,” he said. “They become a hyperactive grandfather.”

Finding things to do has always been a hallmark of Larsen’s personality, though he warned that focusing on things wasn’t necessarily the lesson he’d learned over the years.

“The most important thing in life is the relationship between people. It took me a while to learn that. If you’re into your own stuff, you miss the rest of the world.”

Doing as many things as he has requires a certain mindset.

“Overall, I just wanted to see if I could do it,” he said. “I’m not afraid to fail. I get bored easily.” When he gets bored, he tends to start on another project.

“I focus on something, then,

when I burn out on that, I move on to something else.”

Larsen retired in 1988 from the real estate business, with an eye toward building guitars. “That was another misadventure,” he said with a smile. Competing with large-scale manufacturers from a home shop wasn’t quite as effective as he’d hoped.

Though his guitar making may not have become yet another career, Larsen’s musical work continues. He’s written and performed, both on his own and with P. Gary Eller, noted Idaho musical historian, on numerous albums and tracks — much of the music historical or old-time folk. He plays guitar, mandolin, plectrum banjo and “a little bit of harmonica.”

He owns a selection of instruments, many of which he has made or worked on himself. Some incorporate spruce he cut in McCall, some include black locust from a tree planted by his deceased wife’s father near Nampa.

His initial musical contact with Eller is a tale in its own right. Larsen was contacted by Dr. Thom Couch of the Owyhee County Historical Society one day with a question: Some musicians were thinking about calling themselves the Jump Creek Boys and wanted to know the origin of Jump Creek’s name.

Larsen didn’t know, but sent a humorous concoction back, telling the tale of one Obediah Jump, who was such a terrible fiddle player that, in 1882, he was forced to turn his fiddle into the sheriff at Silver City when he came to town.

Couch, not in on the joke, told the tale as true to Eller.

Larsen later discovered that Eller (head of the nascent Jump Creek Band) had written and was performing a historical ditty based on the story. Larsen had to go tell Eller about the actual source of the tale.

“He was all POed over that — that was pretty much the end of



John Larsen with some of his favorite things, clockwise, from top: Larsen and his Airedale/Abbott Mk. V, the airframe for which he designed himself; Larsen holding the belly of a guitar he is currently working on in his workshop, and a brief break playing a classical guitar composition.



the Jump Creek Boys,” Larsen recalled with a grin. He said it took a year or two before Eller got over the saga of Obediah Jump, but Larsen, who traveled and played at schools around the area, made a point of telling the story at performances since he felt he needed to fix the faux pas.

Fixing things is part and parcel of what makes Larsen tick, though he admits that’s not always the smoothest road to ride.

Larsen worked with Abbott

Aerospace, Inc. and designed his own airframe for the never-made Abbott Mk. V — a design later bought by a kit maker in Arizona and rechristened the Airedale frame. Larsen’s Airedale/Abbott Mk. V, parked in his hangar at his house at the Sunrise Skypark in Givens, is therefore a fairly unique bird. Abbott, it turned out, didn’t want its airframe fixed.

Aircraft, like guitars, writing and motorcycles, are a personal love of Larsen’s.

“I like airplanes and flying. I’ve always loved it but could never justify it,” he said. “Then it hit me that (loving it) was good enough reason.”

Larsen’s philosophy is to do it if you love it, and never be fearful of failure. It’s a lifetime code.

“Age is no excuse for not trying to do something. Just because you’re older than dirt doesn’t mean you can’t shovel some,” Larsen said.

— MML

Marsing school trustees join state in Race to the Top

The Marsing School District board of trustees signed off on a memorandum of understanding (MOU) in order to be ready for the second round of talks on the U.S. Department of Education’s Race to the Top grant program. The action was taken during the board’s Jan. 12 meeting.

The program is touted as targeting improving students’ ability to compete in the global economy, build data systems to be used in measuring success in instruction, recruiting and retaining effective staff and turning around underachieving schools.

The MOU, which had a Jan. 13 deadline, allows Marsing to investigate the program,

without making any commitment. The grant would come to the state Department of Education before being distributed to participating districts.

“There is no free money,” Shockley said, adding that the district would have to see whether the program, as it became more defined, would have a positive impact, a negative one or no impact at all for Marsing.

“The key, honestly, there wasn’t enough known about what it all really means,” he said. “There are pieces in there — the pay-for-performance idea being pushed by the fed and the state — pieces we know about, but not how they’d play out. We

have a 77-page draft, but there’s still a lot of sketchiness.”

Trustees heard presentations from both the budding Rodeo Club members and Teri Smit, who has championed the Missoula Children’s Theater efforts in Marsing for the past few years. Another MCT play is possible next year, Shockley said.

The rodeo club’s sponsor, Lee Green, was formally appointed as an unpaid volunteer sponsor, to ensure proper liability coverage under the school policy, Shockley said.

Louisa Ineck was confirmed as elemen-

tary reading mastery assistant.

Leslie Jayo will be district community events coordinator in her work with the Century 21 after-school program, and will tackle the Spring Carnival after the disbanding of the Marsing Parent Teacher Organization that formerly handled the event.

Judith McShane of the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office will be a part-time instructor for a few classes in the after-school program.

Jim Sangster was named as advisor for the Middle School Academic Bowl team, and Rebecca Wasson was hired as a full-time bus driver for the district.

MHS girls stop slide, tough games ahead

Avalanche Sports

Rimrock girls trounce Wilder, 53-6

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2010

Ensley captures gold at Wendell's Magic Valley Classic

Marsing's Heidt takes silver

Homedale's Justin Ensley staked a claim at the Magic Valley Classic wrestling tournament in Wendell on Saturday, and came home with gold for his efforts. Ensley pinned New Plymouth's Raymond Evans to take the laurels for the 119 pound class. Evans, who won in the 112-pound class last year in 2A state competition, formerly wrestled for Marsing.

Marsing's John Heidt lost by decision to Filer's Nick Fleenor in the 215 pound class finals, bringing home a silver for the Huskies. The Trojans finished 11th among 22 schools competing, with Parma taking home honors for top team. Marsing finished in 16th place.

Team standings
1. Parma 233 points, 2. Emmett 156.5, 3. Challis 155, 4. Melba 143, 5. New Plymouth 142, 6.

Firth 137, 7. Wendell 129, 8. Malad 106, 9. Declo 93, 10. Grace 91, 11. Homedale 90.5, 12. Valley 82.5, 13. Filer 82, 14. Kimberly 74.5, 15. Garden Valley 73, 16. Marsing 47, 17. Raft River/Oakley 46, 18. West Jefferson 41, 19. Soda Springs 35, 20. Butte County 28, 21. Jerome JV 26, 22. Glenns Ferry 17.

Championship results
103 pounds: Blake Perry, Melba, dec. Jaime Alonzo, Declo. 112: Evan Miller, Parma, dec. Dan

Blaisdell, Malad. 119: Justin Ensley, Homedale, pinned Raymond Evans, New Plymouth. 125: Jared Johnshoy, Melba, dec. Ethan Hansen, West Jefferson. 130: Tyler Egbert, Wendell, dec. Cesar Jacobo, Parma. 135: Derek Gerratt, Valley, T-fall Randy Plummer, Challis. 140: Taylor Walker, Firth, pinned Alan Benson, Wendell. 145: Aaron Villarin, Emmett, dec. Kyle King, New Plymouth.



Justin Ensley

152: Taylor Peck, Grace, pinned Cody Danes, Parma. 160: Jed Ferguson, Parma, won by default over Charlie Johnson, Garden Valley. 171: Ramon Fry, Garden Valley, dec. Kaleb Latimer, Challis. 189: Randy Riley, Parma, pinned Braden Christensen, Firth. 215: Nick Fleenor, Filer, dec. John Heidt, Marsing. 285: Addison Amar, Challis, pinned Ty Martin, Wendell.

Adrian girls sweep HDL games, boys split a pair

Purnell erupts for 27 in boys' win over Mitchell on Saturday

Swiss exchange student Letizia Bordoli scored 17 points Friday to lead Adrian High School to an easy girls' basketball victory. The Antelopes led by 21 points at the break in a 51-31 home victory over 1A High Desert League foe Spray. Maddie Austad (21 points) and Lauren Fischer (eight) accounted for all but two of the Eagles' points. Adrian led by as much as 29 points, 45-16, heading into the final period. Madison Shira added seven points, and Madi Purnell chipped in six for Adrian. The Antelopes were balanced on the glass, too, with Purnell and Rebekah



VanCorbach sharing the team lead with four rebounds apiece. **Saturday: Adrian 43, Mitchell 29** — With leading scorer Bordoli out of the lineup, Jessica Morton and Maddie Pendergrass stepped

up to lead the Antelopes at home in another HDL win. Morton scored 11 points and collected 11 of her team's 45 steals. Tayler Martin had a team-high 12 steals for Adrian in a game that saw a slew of turnovers. The Antelopes committed 40 miscues on their own, and the 45 steals were only part of the picture for Mitchell, for which total turnover numbers weren't available. Pendergrass had eight steals and a team-high 12 rebounds. She and Martin scored eight points each. Mitchell was paced by 11 points from Stephanie Elmer. Adrian jumped out to a 17-13 first-quarter lead. After neither team scored in the second period, the Antelopes found themselves

trailing by a point, 23-22, after three quarters. **Boys Saturday: Adrian 60, Mitchell 49** — After building a 14-point halftime lead, the Antelopes had to hold on for a win Saturday at home in HDL action. "I thought we played a real good first half," Adrian coach Brent Ishida said. "We let our guard down in the second half letting Mitchell make a run to close the gap." Blake Purnell had a personal shootout with Mitchell's Justin Williams. Williams led all scorers with 29 points, and Purnell finished with 27 to lead Adrian. Purnell's teammate, Bryan Reay, added 14 points and 11 rebounds. Ben Siebert scored 10 for the Loggers. **Friday: Spray 50, Adrian 38**

(OT) — The Eagles went on a 12-0 run through the extra period to knock off the hosts in an hotly contested HDL game. "The score doesn't reflect the effort the boys put out tonight," Ishida said. Spray held a seven-point lead, 30-23, heading into the fourth quarter when Adrian found the key for a comeback, riding the defense to a 15-8 rally over the final eight minutes of regulation. In the end, though, the Antelopes were stymied by poor foul shooting. Adrian was 3-for-13 from the free-throw line. Reay had two of the successful free throws on the way to 14 points. Purnell added 12 and the other free throw. Reay (10 rebounds) and Purnell (11) finished with double-doubles. —JPB

Homedale varsity girls grab big win over Payette

Victory gives Trojans upper hand in event of tie in SRV

A huge third quarter allowed Homedale High School to push past Payette in girls' basketball Saturday. The teams played evenly throughout their 3A Snake River Valley conference game, but the Trojans' 19-9 run to start the second half fueled a 57-47 victory at home. The win gave Homedale (3-14 overall, 3-2 3A SRV through Monday) a tiebreaker over the Pirates as the second half of the conference season began. This means if the two teams finish deadlocked in the standings, the Trojans will get the higher seed in the District III Tournament, and that could mean the difference between a play-in game and automatic berth into the double-elimination bracket. "We feel as though we are in a good spot, but must keep

working hard," HHS coach Jeremy Chamberlain said. Homedale played host to Vale on Tuesday. The Vikings entered the game as the No. 2-ranked 3A school in Oregon (results weren't available at press time). The tough week continues Thursday when Fruitland, the No. 2 3A team in Idaho, comes to town. The Trojans took control against Payette when Kortney Stansell opened the second half with back-to-back three-point goals. The spurt accounted for half of her game-high 12 points. She also had five rebounds. Kylie Farwell scored 11 points, and Justine Calzacorta and Sydney Cornwall each chipped in 10. Bryce Osborn led the way with 10 rebounds and added eight points. Payette's Erin Blackwell scored nine points, and Courtney

Grant pulled down 12 rebounds as the Pirates won that battle, 33-30. Three other Payette players scored eight points each. Homedale won despite committing 31 turnovers and after surviving a rough-and-tumble fourth quarter in which both teams fired 38 free-throw attempts. "Payette got real physical and started fouling a lot, and unfortunately we followed suit. That is about the only negative I can come up with in this game, other than that we played well," Chamberlain said. "I was especially pleased with our ball movement in this game, we seemed to find the open person real well." **Thursday: Weiser 69, Homedale 49** — The Trojans climbed back into the game with a big third quarter, but couldn't survive the Wolverines' 15-4 run over the final three minutes of a conference game played in Homedale.

In what Chamberlain characterized as a "game of runs", Weiser captured a 36-20 lead at the break with a 21-6 streak in the second quarter. But Homedale narrowed the gap to 45-40 with a furious 20-9 rally to start the second half. "Overall I was pretty happy with the way we responded after a huge halftime deficit," Chamberlain said. "We used a lot of energy to get back into the game and didn't finish, but at least it was a game." Three Weiser players reached double figures, including McKenzie Johnson with her game-high 19 points. Marquita Palmer and Shae Duran scored 12 points each. Stansell scored 13 points to lead Homedale, who also received nine each from Calzacorta and



Kylie Farwell logged 11 points versus Payette and eight against Weiser. Osborn and eight apiece from Cornwall and Farwell. Weiser regained momentum with a pair of three-point goals early in the fourth quarter. The Wolverines were 9-for-15 from beyond the arc. Homedale connected on only nine of 20 free-throw attempts.

Sports

Rimrock hoops split with Wilder as girls rout Wildcats

While the Rimrock girls basketballers shot at will against a Wilder team that only managed six points, the boys found themselves locked in a low-scoring game that saw them barely reach double digits.

Jan. 12: Rimrock 53, Wilder 6 — Randie Denton and Jackie Thurman found the mark from the outside early as the Raiders cruised to a conference victory in Bruneau.

Denton hit a pair of first-quarter three-pointers en route to 14 points. Thurman's opening-quarter trey sparked a game-high 17 points.

Wilder was shut out in two quarters, never visited the free-throw line and received baskets from Alma and Araceli Tapia in the first quarter and Andrea Soto in the third.

Leading rebounder Anna Cantrell didn't play for Rimrock, but Thurman chimed in with 11 rebounds. Lyndie Gillespie added eight.

Thurman had four steals as Rimrock's defense swiped 19 balls from Wilder dribblers.

Boys

Jan. 12: Wilder 29, Rimrock 10 — In a slow-paced game, the Raiders were held to their lowest point total of the season in a conference game in Bruneau.

Rimrock took 28 shots in 32 minutes, converting just four field goals (14.3 percent). Wilder took only six more shots that the Raiders, but were successful 10 more times.

Wilder blanked Rimrock in the second quarter to build a 21-2 lead at the intermission.

The deficit widened to 27-4 before Rimrock's defense stifled the Wildcats in the fourth quarter.

Francisco Garcia scored five points to lead Rimrock, which didn't take a free-throw attempt until the fourth quarter. Senior Ricardo Araujo added four points. Bryan Pena's free throw was the only other tally for the Raiders. Stetson Dick grabbed four rebounds.

Tony Rocha's 13 points paced Wilder. He was the only Wildcat to visit the free-throw line, nailing one of his two attempts.

Trojan boys take five-game skid into Fruitland tilt

Payette rides second half to SRV-opening win

A sluggish start to the second half doomed Homedale High School in its 3A Snake River Valley conference boys' basketball opener.

The Trojans managed just five points in the third quarter as Payette stormed back for a 45-38

victory at home.

The setback was part of a two-loss week for Homedale (7-6 overall, 0-1 3A SRV), which lost its fourth consecutive game Saturday when Vale, Ore., pulled out a narrow 39-37 win.

The Trojans play Fruitland on

the road tonight in a crucial early-season conference game.

The Trojans shot only 25 percent from the floor against the Pirates, with Kenny Esparza and Alex Mereness sharing top scoring honors with seven points each.

Ryan Ryska and Jonny Stacey scored six points apiece, and Mereness had a team-high seven rebounds, including six on his

own glass.

Saturday: Vale, Ore., 39, Homedale 37 — Sophomore Trey Corta had 10 points and seven rebounds, but the Trojans couldn't prevent a Vikings club bent on avenging a loss earlier in the season. Ryska chipped in eight points.

As in the Payette loss, the Trojans owned a lead in the first half, building a 21-13 edge before

Vale began to chip away. The Vikings completed the comeback in the fourth quarter. Foul shooting was the Trojans' Achilles' heel, too. Homedale was 7-for-13, while Vale drained 11 of its 13 chances.

Bryant Haueter led all scorers with 15 points for the Vikings, while teammate Caleb Zemmer was 6-for-6 from the foul line en route to 10 points.

Marsing boys post back-to-back losses

The Marsing boys basketball team fell to both Nampa Christian and Cole Valley last week, leaving the Huskies at 2-2 in the Western Idaho Conference, 5-7 overall.

Thursday: Nampa Christian 42, Marsing 27 — Facing a solid Nampa Christian defense, Marsing was limited to single-digit scoring in the first three quarters.

The Trojans dominated the boards through the game, racking up 44 rebounds to Marsing's 16.

Nampa Christian (3-4 overall) was led by Justus Van Gundy with 17 points. Van Gurny was 3-for-3 from the line and found two from beyond the three-point arc.

Jason Galligan led Marsing scoring with 10.

Senior Ty Shippy had five of Marsing's 16 rebounds, while James McDonald snagged 12 of Nampa's 44.

Saturday: Cole Valley 71, Marsing 23 — Cole Valley Christian romped to a near 3-to-1 margin of victory over the Huskies when they hosted the visiting Marsing squad in Meridian.

Cole Valley (8-4, 4-0 2A WIC) put up a barrage of 27 points in the first quarter. Cole Valley's Derek Jardine led scorers with 14.

Junior Joel Moreno and senior Ethan Salove led Marsing scorers with six each. Marsing was 9-for-16 from the foul line, Cole Valley hit 8-for-24. Shippy had six of Marsing's 24 boards, while Cole Valley pulled down 30. Both Shippy and Galligan fouled out during the game.

Cole Valley sunk five three-pointers in the match-up.

The Huskies hosted New Plymouth on Tuesday, after press time, in a conference matchup. They will host conference-leading 4-0 Parma on Friday.

HYS spring signups coming

Homedale Youth Sports Inc. will hold signups for T-ball, baseball and softball on Jan. 27 and Feb. 3.

Registration will take place between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. both days in the Homedale Elementary

School lobby, 420 W. Washington Ave.

Registration forms will be put into the students' Friday Folders and will be available at the signup sessions. For more information, call Shane Brown at 880-4552.

HTAA presentation on Web safety for youth slated Monday

A representative of the Idaho Attorney General's office will speak on Internet safety for young people at the next Homedale Trojan Athletic Association meeting.

The meeting takes place at 6:30 p.m. on Monday inside the Homedale High School library.

For more information on the meeting, call HHS athletic director David Hart at 337-4613.

Trojan Winter Sports



BASKETBALL

Boys basketball

Varsity

Wednesday, Jan. 20 at Fruitland, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 23 at McCall-Donnelly, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 26 at Weiser, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A

Wednesday, Jan. 20 at Fruitland, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 26 at Weiser, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B

Wednesday, Jan. 20 at Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 26 at Weiser, 4:30 p.m.



BASKETBALL

Girls basketball

Varsity

Friday, Jan. 22, home vs. Fruitland, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 23 at McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity A

Friday, Jan. 22, home vs. Fruitland, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B

Friday, Jan. 22, home vs. Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

Thursday, Jan. 21, home vs. Melba, 6 p.m.
Friday-Saturday at Padilla Invitational, Parma

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Sports

Mustangs manage 2OT win over Marsing girls hoops

Girls break losing streak against Nampa Christian

Despite one of its best showing in years against Melba, the Marsing High School girls' basketball team lost a double-overtime heartbreaker on Jan. 12. Three days later, the Huskies halted a four-game series of losses when they topped Nampa Christian on the road, 31-21.

The 43-38 loss to Melba and subsequent win puts the Huskies at 4-4 in the 2A Western Idaho conference, with three conference games left before the state play-in game.

Jan. 12: Melba 43, Marsing 38 (2OT) — The first overtime was forced when Marsing's Andi Merritt was fouled at the end of regulation. She sank one of two to keep the team alive, but the squad had to go forward without Candy Leon, who had fouled out with two minutes left in the fourth. The Huskies, with Kim Garza out due

to an ankle injury suffered against New Plymouth Jan. 7, moved freshman Lacey Usabel into the point guard slot for the remainder of the fourth and both OTs.

"Lacey did a great job, and I have nothing to complain about when two 9th graders (Lacey and Ashley Hull) are bringing the ball up the floor for the last 10 minutes against a tough 1-3-1 half-court trap by Melba," Marsing coach Tim Little said.

The end of the first OT saw a flurry of Husky shots, any one of which could have tipped the scales.

"With the score tied, Mayra Rodriguez put up a 25 footer a little early — about six seconds left," Little said, "which Andi rebounded. (Merritt) put up another shot which missed and was tapped out to Lacey who shot a 15-footer at the buzzer

which was right on line to go in, but came up a little short. So we had opportunities to win the game, but couldn't get the ball in the hoop."

In the second overtime three turnovers in sequence led to Melba jumping out to a four-point lead that the Huskies pursued but never caught.

"We have faced a little adversity with starter, four-year-letterman and captain Kim out the last basically the last three games, but the girls have competed, and physically the effort has been high. Kim's presence as a leader and experience is what we have missed on the floor, plus she is also our backup point guard. With her out, Lacey has been playing up on varsity and been doing a good job.

Ashley Hull led scoring for Marsing with 11, backed up by Kacie Hull (10) and Candy Leon (6).

Jan. 15: Marsing 31, Nampa Christian 21 — In a low-scoring matchup Friday, the Huskies got back on the right side of the ledger with a win over Nampa Christian (7-8 overall, 2-6 2A WIC). While the Trojans managed to limit Husky scoring, they weren't able to find the net, themselves, and Marsing managed to right a run



Marsing coach Tim Little and his squad will move into their last four conference games facing the top three contenders.

that had seen losses against the top teams in the 2A WIC as well as 3A Vale, the No. 2 team in Oregon.

Rebecca Cossell led scorers in the match with 11, and was tops on defense, with 10 rebounds for a double-double.

Marsing will host Cole Valley Christian on Thursday in another 2A WIC game. The Huskies last league games will be against CVC, New Plymouth, Parma and Melba.

2A WIC Standings, as of Jan. 18	
Parma	8-0
New Plymouth	7-1
Melba	5-3
Marsing	4-4
CVCS	3-5
Nampa C	2-6
North Star	0-12*
*Done for the season	

MARSING HUSKIES BASKETBALL

Girls' Basketball

Varsity
Thursday, Jan. 21, Cole Valley Christian, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 23 at New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 26, home vs. Parma, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Thursday, Jan. 21, Cole Valley Christian, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 23 at New Plymouth, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 26, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Thursday, Jan. 21, Cole Valley Christian, 4:45 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 23 at New Plymouth, 4:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 26, home vs. Parma, 4:45 p.m.

Boy's Basketball

Varsity
Friday, Jan. 22, home vs. Parma, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Friday, Jan. 22, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Friday, Jan. 22, home vs. Parma, 4:45 p.m.

WRESTLING

Wednesday, Jan. 27, home vs. Ontario, Ore., 6 p.m.

Homedale elementary students get to play with the varsity

Every month the top 25 percent of walkers in the Homedale Elementary School walking club have a party to celebrate their accomplishments. Last week about 95 first- through fourth-grade students got a chance to attend a basketball clinic in the school gymnasium hosted by some of the Homedale Trojans boys and girls varsity players.

The walking club members, who have logged over 5,000 miles this school year thus far, got to learn dribbling, ball handling and shooting skills, and players had a chance to share their knowledge with youngsters.



Homedale High School boys' basketball player Alex Mereness works against the defense of an elementary school student at the Jan. 13 clinic.

Walking club organizer Dan Moore said the Homedale Elementary club was "by far the highest miles" school in the state of Idaho. The club leaders got to spend time with the Trojans wrestling team and cheerleaders last month, he said.

"It's been pretty fun to work with the little kids learning how to play basketball," Trojan hoopster Kortney Stansell said at the event. Stansell attended a walking club party last year as part of the volleyball team.

Trojan boys team-member Kenny Esparza also enjoyed his day out with the grade-schoolers.

"It's fun to come out and teach

something, and to get out of school," Esparza said with a grin.

Varsity players agreed that there was some talent to be seen. "There's some that can dribble," Esparza said, explaining that some of his students could hold eye contact and dribble blind through a slow five count.

"You can just see they're all having a great time," coach Kenny Thomas said of both players and students at the clinic. "After three losses it's picking them up."

The clinic helped his players take a deep breath and relax a bit

after a tough run post the 21-day Christmas break and the lack of practices, he said.

"I think they do get a lot out of it," Thomas said. "They teach a little bit, and remember why they started playing in the first place; because it was fun."

"I really like the idea (of the high schoolers visiting) very much," HES principal Yvonne Ihli said. "They look up to the older kids," she said of her students. "I don't think the older kids understand how much."

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Looking back...

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25 years ago

January 23, 1985

Proposed fire district outlined

The proposed Reynolds Creek-Murphy-Wilson Fire District would not be set up on a grand scale, but would furnish adequate fire protection for rural blazes, according to two of its supporters.

Voting on the district is scheduled for Feb. 12, from noon until 8pm, at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy. The date was changed from Feb. 18, because that day is Presidents Day.

The area from Opaline to Murphy, Reynolds Creek, and Wilson is currently without an established fire protection, according to Tommy Benson of Wilson. Benson and Owyhee County Sheriff Tim Nettleton became concerned about the situation and raised enough money from area farmers and ranchers to purchase an 860 gallon truck with a pump on it, that Benson keeps in his heated garage for the event of a fire. In a letter drafted to the residents in the region last November, the men wrote that three structure fires were encountered in a year’s time. The structures’ worth was estimated at around \$80,000 and \$3,600 in fire damage had occurred, the balance saved because of the tanker’s use and response from neighbors. The truck was also taken to the Jacobsen Mill fire, where it saved some property from destruction.

Nettleton said the proposed protection district would not purchase large, brand new equipment, but would still offer good firefighting in a rural setting. The men are arranging for a used truck from the Twin Falls-Filer department to be placed in Murphy.

Bureau advisory board opposes wilderness

The Boise Advisory Board for the Bureau of Land Management voted against a roadless wilderness area for 110,000 acres of the Jack’s Creek region southwest of Bruneau, although the idea may still have some life left yet.

The board, composed of citizens from different backgrounds, voted 5-4 against a wilderness designation for seven roadless areas around Jack’s Creek. The vote followed a preliminary Environmental Impact Statement for the area, according to Steve Addington, a BLM recreation officer who helped draft the EIS.

Meeting set to resolve A3-A4 dilemma

A meeting between the Marsing School Board and the Idaho High School Activities Association on Jan. 30 may help solve the problem caused by moving Marsing from A-4 competition to A-3.

Marsing parents met in December to oppose the earlier decision of the IHSAA that would move Marsing up into athletic competition with the likes of Homedale and Fruitland. A count of the Marsing school population was taken in September to determine Marsing’s league status, a number of migrant students were present in the school, but have since left and dropped the number to 141. The district and parents are asked that the school be left at the A-4 status and that the cutoff mark for leagues be changed from 149 to 175.

Marsing Superintendent Duane Root will represent the Marsing School District and Pam Dugger will be on hand for the parents of the district. Close to 230 signatures against the league transferral were sent to the IHSAA, in opposition to it.

Homedale student receives national academic awards

Bill Reynolds, 13, son of John and Pattie Reynolds of Homedale, and an eighth grade student attending Homedale Junior high school, has recently received national scholastic honors for his achievements in both math and English.

The HJH Honor Student was recently notified that he has been nominated as a United States National Mathematics Awards Winner and a National English Merit Award by the Honorary Committee of the United States Achievement Academy.

50 years ago

January 21, 1960

Trojans beat Fruitland, hold first place

Homedale’s Trojans staged a fourth quarter rally Saturday night for a 51-49 victory over Fruitland in a battle for first place in the Snake River Valley B league. The Trojans are now all alone in the No. 1 spot while the Grizzlies are in a second place tie with Middleton.

It was a nip-and-tuck battle all the way with Fruitland taking a 10-9 first period lead. The score was tied 26-26 at halftime and in the third quarter the Grizzlies moved out front again at 36-34.

Dick Frazier, Dan DeGroat and Johnny Uranga led the Trojans in the hard fought battle which was full of personal fouls. Frazier had 15 points while DeGroat and Uranga each collected 12. Maynard Sager topped Fruitland with 25.

Homedale ran its win streak to five in the Snake River Valley B league Friday night as the Trojans tripped Marsing 56-42. The loss was Marsing’s fifth straight.

Homedale led 9-5 at the first quarter mark but Marsing battled back for a 17-17 halftime tie as Bob Walker’s push shot hit the bucket with only seconds to go.

The Trojans won the game in the third period as they rolled out front 38-23. High for the winners was John Uranga with 12. Dick Frazier added 11 and Bob Spath 10. Taking top honors for the Huskies was George Dines with 13.

\$13,076 in savings bonds sold in Owyhee County

Savings bonds sales in Idaho amounted to \$7,950,246 during 1959. County sales for the year were \$13,076, county bond chairman Monty Worden announced this week.

“The new increased interest rate of three and three-quarters per cent improved sales during the latter part of the year,” the county chairman continued.

“However, although one in four persons in the state owns savings bonds, many do not realize bonds now pay two and one-half per cent interest the first year and a half; then four percent to maturity. New E bonds now mature in only seven years and nine months.

“This improvement in savings bonds terms is expected to further boost bond sales within the county and state during 1960,” the chairman pointed out.

“National sales for 1959 were \$4,320 million and national holdings of bonds total \$42,559 million – an increase of \$42 million since November 30.

Fire department called Tuesday

The Homedale volunteer fire department was called to the Don Swan farm southwest of town early Tuesday morning. Ronald Vance is farming the place.

Mr. Vance had two young calves in a shed with a heat lamp to keep them warm. The lamp evidently caught the bedding on fire, Rural Fire Chief Bruce Smith said. The calves were unhurt and little damage was done to the building.

Homedale locals

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Bergeson and family, who have been staying with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bergeson, moved over the weekend to Blackfoot where Mr. Bergeson will work in the weather department of the Atomic Energy Commission Plant.

Mrs. Bessie Love returned home the first of January from a three months stay with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Noble in Winnemucca, Nev.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Radcliffe had a birthday dinner for their eight year old granddaughter, Diana Holbrook, Saturday evening. Diana’s parents, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Holbrook, and the rest of the family were also dinner guests.

Mrs. Nellie Kelson, Earl Vanderhoff, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Adams and Mrs. Martha Mortensen were Thursday evening dinner guests at the Warren Stimmel home. After dinner, pictures of Owyhee County were shown.

144 years ago

January 20, 1866

WE ARE informed that ten Indians made their appearance on Catherine creek, recently, where Isaac Jennings is wintering his stock, and told him that they would make peace if the whites would agree to give them all the food and clothing they wanted, and would, also, return a portion of the stock stolen last summer; but if the settlers refused, they would drive off everything they found. Mr. Jennings promised them to see the Governor immediately and have some arrangement made. Now, if some Christian gentleman will consent to furnish a few bales of blankets from some small pox hospital, well inoculated with that disease, we will act as distributing agent, and will see to it that not an Indian is without a blanket. This kind of peace would probably prove more lasting than all the regular treaties that could be made.

WANTED – A Bank in Owyhee. Any one of the well known and responsible banking houses of California could open a branch bank in Owyhee to their profit and the great benefit of our community. There is now an immense business done by mining and milling companies depositing their funds in the coast cities and New York, and selling drafts at from 1½ to 8 per cent premium. Even this accommodates the public more than it benefits the companies. Coin is sold at 10 per cent premium for clean Bannock dust – and hardly obtainable at any price. While the species of buying, selling and exchanging dust, bars, coin, currency, &c, goes on, we may expect high rates to exchange, a miserable circulating medium of unknown value to most people, and a general demoralization in financial affairs. A well conducted, sound bank is the only thing that will suppress the circulation of gold dust at rates far above its real value. By this means alone can we expect the much needed monetary reform. A bank would establish the buying rates upon dust, bars and legal tender notes, and business transactions would be adapted to them. The establishment of a bank would be the precursor of an early and general use of coin. Dust would become an article of merchandise as it should; it would be bought at its full value, less the cost of transportation. The laborer would receive his pay in coin as he deserves and goods would be sold 20 per cent cheaper than at present. To attempt to change or regulate the current rates of receiving and paying out dust by a public meeting, would scarcely be as successful as an attempt to find virtue and honesty in politicians. Evils that can’t be cured must be endured; and until a sound, well managed bank is established, the percent currency evil must be endured willingly or unwillingly.

WE HAVE good reason to believe that our place will soon be connected with Virginia, Nevada, by a daily mail – and a liberal contract given to carry it. Senator Stewart, of Nevada, has taken the matter in hand and his efforts are uniformly successes. He can hardly do his own State or Idaho a greater favor than by securing this service. A continual stream of passengers, bullion, and express freight would go over the line daily. It would tend more quickly to develop northern Nevada than any one public act. The rich valleys would soon teem with hardy pioneers, stock and all the farm products so much needed, and at present so costly in our mines. Nevada journals and representatives can do their State and our Territory a service by pressing this matter.

S. C. Steele, one of Owyhee’s invincible prospectors, left yesterday for New York. He is a large owner in quartz, cinnabar, and tin interests. So far as our knowledge extends, we believe Mr. S. will fairly represent Owyhee mining interests in “God’s Country.”

A SOCIETY has been formed in Ruby to better enable novices to “shoot off their mouths” in public. It is called a Lyceum; meets in the Sheriff’s office on Thursday evenings. Aspirants to Ciceronian fame should attend.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
Hark the herald angels moments

There is a frequently told story by cowmen and veterinarians since herdsman discovered fire. As I listened to a Georgia farmer recount his own personal version, I found myself imagining how the cow would feel?

“I was grazing down by the creek. Something I do every day, I think? My short-term memory is going. I know I have calves. I’m not sure how many, but who keeps count. I guess they grow inside me. Maybe I eat something, or an insect bites me or it has something to do with the moon? Anyway ... where was I?”

The event down by the creek.

“Oh, yeah, I was grazing down by the creek. Ya know I do have a childhood memory. It was very dark and snug. I was in my sleeping bag. It was squeezing me! I don’t know how long it lasted. I don’t know how long is long?

“Then a hand gripped me! I remember a shiny bracelet which came tight, nearly pulled my front legs out of their socket! And then I burst into the light! I never thought about eyes ... or seeing. Maybe I thought I was a star-nosed mole or a potato? But the light was overwhelming! I had one of those ‘Hark the Herald Angels’ moments!”

Back to the creek.

“What creek?”

Where you had the event.

“What event?”

The one down by the creek.

“Oh, that one. Well, I was grazing and began to feel a little acid reflux ... then I realized cows can’t get acid reflux, they wouldn’t know it the way they regurgitate all those cuds all the time.

Anyway...where was I?”

Down by the creek.

“Yes. I had terrible stomach pains, a shortness of breath, then I slipped on the bank and went down! Next thing I remember the two-legged, ball-faced upright giant frog walkers who come and disturb us now and then, were manhandling me! One had a big rubber tube and he was forcing it down my throat! It was dark. I felt dizzy. I couldn’t see! I thought I was back in my sleeping bag!

“I couldn’t understand their frog talk but one was bawling and hollering and suddenly the other one’s five-fingers front leg caught on fire! There was a terrible explosion! I imagined I was a dragon or an F-16 or an industrial-strength weed burner! The sky lit up!

“And that’s all I remember, my second Hark the Herald Angels moment. That, and the bawling frog walker baptizing himself in the creek!”

— *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
Good idea, bad execution



Whenever I hear someone talk about the media latching on to the not-so-bright-and-sunny news items, it reminds me of Donald Sutherland’s character in the movie “Kelly’s Heroes”:

“Always with the negative waves, Moriarty, always with the negative waves,” World War II tank commander Sgt. Oddball, a stoner/beatnik with a long, expressionless face, says in a slow deliberate manner when his chief mechanic questions the merits of something.

Frankly, when deals such as the idea to build a new library in Homedale sputter along like one of Oddball’s Shermans, it’s quite difficult not to be down on the process.

A new library isn’t an idea that I can easily oppose. It’s the path the city has started down that has me scratching my head.

And, I’d be surprised if it hasn’t infuriated a few property owners.

An item to open the budget for the purpose of building the library appeared on last week’s City Council agenda, immediately before a hearing on the Local Improvement District ordinance that would saddle downtown property owners with hundreds of thousands of dollars in assessments for revitalization projects.

As it turns out, the only thing the council heard about regarding the library was R&M Steel’s donation of a building worth about \$36,000. No other action was taken.

But Mayor Harold Wilson’s decision to put the item on the agenda immediately before a public hearing about a \$300,000-plus commitment from downtown property

owners shows one of two things:

Either an absolute disconnect from reality or an arrogant disregard for the business community he supposedly backs with ardor.

Not many details were shared Wednesday night. The council thanked R&M Steel owners Rob and Nancy Roberts for the donation, but the rest of the matter was tabled by unanimous vote after Councilman Tim Downing pressed for more information about the building, including the value of the structure, and made it clear that he had only heard about the agenda item hours earlier.

The item was in fact far more ambiguous when City Hall first released the agenda, mentioning nothing more than “Homedale City Library.” City attorney Michael Duggan instructed city staff to include elaboration, and a second agenda was issued about 52 hours before the meeting.

The budget was never re-opened to account for the building donation. Perhaps that will be done when the council takes up the matter again on Feb. 10.

Perhaps questions will be answered, such as:

- Why doesn’t anyone have at least a rough idea of how much a new library will cost? And where will the money come from?
- How can the council move forward with the plan if there are no grants secured for funding? The Feb. 26, 2009, council vote to donate land next to City Hall for the library stipulated that the building must be built with

— See *Idea*, page 19

Wayne Cornell

Not important ...
but possibly of interest
Black dog adds color to our lives



I saw a news item the other day claiming studies show black dogs have less chance of being adopted than dogs of other colors. One of the problems, according to researchers, is that people can’t see expressions on the face of a black dog unless it growls or smiles. Some folks probably think dogs can’t smile. But I had a border collie named Debbie who smiled every time I came home from college.

The thing that drew my attention to the article about black dogs is that our current mutt, Asher, is about a black as you can get. The only white on him is a few hairs on his tail that make him look like he might have lightly brushed against some freshly painted white surface.

We didn’t rescue Asher from a shelter, but we might have rescued him from going there. A neighbor two doors down already had a border collie named Roxy and accidentally acquired a pup that was initially called Trinidad (an absolutely awful name for a dog). The neighbor knew that we had lost Annie the Beagle and thought the coal black puppy might be a good replacement. With some misgivings, we brought him home and immediately gave him a new name.

Ashley, as he is called by our 2-year-old granddaughter, Ella, seems to be part Lab and part some breed that likes to herd things. He was a C+ student in the obedience training he went through with Sara, not long after we got him. One of his major merits is his ability to get along with other dogs. His favorite pal is our daughter Tara’s dog, Preston, followed closely by the aforementioned Roxy and Muffin, a white West Highland Terrier who resides three houses north. Ashley seems to make friends with just about any dog he encounters. He is different in this regard than the late Annie the Beagle who seemed to go through life wear-

ing a sign that said, “Attention all dogs! Growl, snap and intimidate me. Make me whimper and yelp for mercy!” There was just something about Annie that made other dogs — even normally meek ones — want to beat her up.

Asher also is good with kids. He doesn’t get upset when Ella beats him on the head with her little hand and takes over his doggie bed. He even tolerates 16-year-old Ivy the Cat, who rubs the top of her head under his chin one minute, then takes a swat at him a few seconds later.

But the researchers have a point about black dogs. You do have to be quite close to see Asher’s expressions, especially when even his eyes are dark brown. The coloring also makes it hard to keep track of him. Sometimes I’ll glance at his doggy bed and would swear that he isn’t there. Then I discover he is there — he just looks like a shadow against the dark brown material. And we always make sure we keep his red collar on him when he’s out in public. Without the small splash of color and his ID tags, he would be tough to find. Running an ad stating, “Lost: A black dog,” would probably get you more response than you really want.

When Annie died, we discussed a number of new dog options. We even considered adopting an ex-racing Greyhound. When the Asher option was presented, I wasn’t completely sure it was a good idea. But I’m glad he is a member of our family. He may be a mutt — and a black mutt at that — but his monochrome coat adds a lot of color to our daily lives.

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

Commentary

Financial management

Keep the surprise alive with gift-giving budget line

Dear Dave,
How do you buy a surprise gift for your spouse when you both see the budget and checkbook?
— Anonymous



Dear Anonymous,
Start by having a gift-giving category as part of your budget. This works both ways, one for each of you. That way, you'll both know how much goes into that category, but you won't know where something was purchased or what was bought.
I think the gift category is the best and most fair way to give you both input and control over the budget. The idea that you're going to sneak up on your wife or husband with a \$10,000 gift is pretty unrealistic if you're working on your finances together!
—Dave

Dear Dave,
I'm looking at allocations for my mutual funds. What's the difference between mid-cap growth and mid-cap value?
— Jason

Dear Jason,
For purposes of allocating, a mid-cap is a medium-sized company. Generally, these fall into the growth stock mutual fund category. Try thinking of value funds this way: Let's say you buy an expensive home in a good neighborhood. It's OK that

you paid a little more, because it's a good area, and you're just going to wait things out. It's that kind of value mentality versus bargain hunting and trying to get a great deal.
When it comes right down to it, the differences in the two types are small. I'd go with whichever one has the best track record and rate of return. Regardless, always remember to spread your money across these four types of mutual funds: growth, growth and income, aggressive growth and international.
— Dave
Dear Dave,
I'm 17, and my personal finance class at high school has been watching your course. I want to begin investing early to take advantage of compound interest, so

I want to start a Roth IRA. Which mutual funds would you advise investing in while I'm still trying to save for college?
— Jeff
Dear Jeff,
I love the fact that you're thinking ahead, but I want you to save for college before you worry about investing. The best investment you'll ever make is an investment in you, and that's exactly what college is all about.
Now, if having money for college isn't a big issue, you can go ahead and begin putting a little bit of money into a Roth IRA. You can put as much as \$5,000 a year into one, but the great thing is that you don't have to put that much into one. It would probably be pretty hard for you to invest to that extent while you're still in

college, anyway.
When it comes to a first mutual fund, I'd suggest a simple growth-stock mutual fund. They're pretty calm, and they will do some great things if you can find one with a good, long record of success!
— 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

Public has right to know what's going in government

The Jan. 6 edition was the best: two great letters plus an editorial from the editor. Too bad the only editorials I ever see are where you are on the defensive. You could pursue the same actions (or inactions) in our county government that OCCAG rails against. The press is supposed to function as a "watchdog" isn't it? — Thus, the designation, the "Fourth Estate". But I say, thank goodness for organizations like OCCAG or Wayne Hoffman's Idaho Freedom Foundation (IFF), as well as The Common Interest.
The public has a right (as well as a responsibility) to know what goes on in county commission meetings and about expenditures. With our population so widespread and a county seat so remote, the OCCAG Web site and documents requests by both OCCAG and IFF are the only way to reasonably obtain this information. We should welcome transparency and accountability in government at all levels, replacing the arrogance and secrecy which demonized Dick Cheney.
The Avalanche needs to "chill" here. Read the Statesman blogs — compared to the media criticism there, both these letters read like compliments. Your reactions remind me of our Commissioners' reaction to input which they solicited and received on the proposed Nuisance Ordinance: they were "overwhelmed" by receiving 10 written comments and so tabled it.
We live in a great county, but some things are totally off the chart: I could find no other county in southwest Idaho where jail revenues are not committed back to the sheriffs department in some way; there is no other county which



has banned video recording of commission meetings; and I could find no other county where a commissioner has ever taken a gun out of his briefcase during a commission meeting and placed it on the counter — only in Owyhee County.
Pam Roylance
Homedale

The instance of a commissioner bringing a gun to a meeting to which the letter-writer refers occurred last year. District 3 Commissioner Dick Freund said he brought an unloaded gun to a Board of County Commissioners meeting, and District 2 George Hyer confirms that he had requested Freund bring the weapon. According to Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery, Freund was within his right to carry a concealed weapon under Idaho Code, which allows an elected official or a retired peace officer to carry a concealed weapon without a license. Roylance told *The Owyhee Avalanche* she was not at the meeting, but received word of the presence of the gun from someone in attendance.
— Ed.

Columnist should add solutions to his criticism

Robert Romano of Americans for Limited Government can find nothing good to say about "ObamaCare." (Democrats' health care reform bill good news for GOP", Jan. 13, *The Owyhee Avalanche*). Like many other citizens, I'm also not in love with the current health care bill. However, something must be done to help all the people in this country who cannot get medical insurance because of cost or pre-existing conditions, or who have it but get hammered anyway by their medical expenses.
So, Mr. Romano, if you and your organization are so smart, what's the solution? Please tell us your proposal for "RomanoCare."
Al Herring
Homedale

✓ Idea: Several questions must be answered next time council talks library

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grant money.
• If the library board depletes its \$168,000 nest egg to build the structure, where will the money for future maintenance and operation come from?
• Who will pay for the sidewalk along the new library's frontage in light of the fact that the LID assessment for that strip on West Wyoming Avenue calls for only gutters

and curbs?
• Is a taxing district far off? Minutes from the Feb. 26, 2009, council meeting reflect that a taxing district could be sought *after* the building is constructed.
• Why not create a taxing district now and pass a bond to build the building, the exact process by which Marsing got a new Lizard Butte Library?
Again, a new library isn't a repulsive concept. It would

be wonderful to have some transparency and openness in the whole process, though.
If the city could manage to do something like this above board for a change, you'd find me climbing the Sherman in City Park and doing my best impersonation of that oddball tank driver from a 40-year-old World War II comedy film: "Crazy ... I mean like, so many positive waves ... maybe we can't lose, you're on!"

Public notices

SYNOPSIS OF BOARD MINUTES JANUARY 5, 2010 MURPHY, IDAHO

Approved payment of bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$34,852, Road & Bridge \$12,375, District Court \$6,194, County Fair \$14, Probation \$2,066, Health District \$4,100, Museum \$944, Indigent & Charity \$48,572, Jr. College \$2,300, Revaluation \$540, Solid Waste \$2,351, Tort \$11, Weed \$10,072, 911 \$2,967.

Approved a Certificate of Residency to CSI.

Approved letter on Planning & Zoning violation.

Approved pay authorization for Sheriff's employee Lori Collins at \$13.34 on the pay scale.

Indigent & Charity #09-55, #10-01 liens approved.

Executive Session 67-2345 (1),(a),(b),(c),(d),(e) attorney memo's, personnel and possible litigation.

Conference call on BH2 with BLM.

Recess for meeting with Canyon County on January 6th at 10:00 in Caldwell.

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

1/20/10

NOTICE OF SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY ELECTION Marsing Joint School District No. 363 Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Trustees of Marsing Joint School District No. 363, Owyhee and Canyon County(ies) Idaho, that a special supplemental levy election will be held on February 9, 2010, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said District their vote and determination on a supplemental tax levy. The polls will be open from noon until 8:00 p.m. at the following locations: Marsing High School Library, 301 8th Avenue West, Marsing, ID 83639, Marsing Elementary School Library, 207 8th Avenue West, Marsing, ID 83639 and Marsing Sprint Boat Track, (Canyon County, located on State Highway 55) next to the Snake River Bridge. An elector must be a registered voter who has resided in this state and in this school district at least thirty (30) days preceding the election. The question submitted will be:

Shall the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 363 be authorized, pursuant to section 33-802(3), Idaho Code, to certify to the Boards of Commissioners of Owyhee and Canyon counties, Idaho, a supplemental levy, in addition to all other levies, in the amount of \$237,000 (two hundred thirty seven thousand) each year for (2) fiscal years commencing July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011 and July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012, for the purpose of financing the costs of the Marsing Joint School District's proportionate share of payments to the Canyon Owyhee School Service Agency for the construction of the Canyon Owyhee School Service Agency's Professional-Technical Center?

Qualified electors who expect to be absent from the District on February 9, 2010, or who will be unable, because of physical disability or blindness, to go to a polling place, may vote by absentee ballot. Written application for an absentee ballot

may be made to the Clerk of the Board of Trustees on a form made available at the Marsing Joint School District Office, 209 8th Avenue West, Marsing, on Monday through Friday, from 8:00 am to 4:00 p.m. Such application must be made no later than 5:00 p.m., February 8, 2010. Electors applying in person may obtain their ballots starting **January 12, 2010**. Electors applying by mail should submit their requests as soon as possible. The absentee ballot must be received by the Clerk no later than 8:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

By Order of the Board of Trustees,
Deborah Holzhey, Board Clerk

1/20,27/10

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On May 18, 2010, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock AM of said day, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID, JUST LAW, INC., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 20, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of **7320 Pony Lane, Marsing, ID**, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

This Trustee's Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Arthur E. Crandall and Belen F. Crandall, husband and wife, as Grantor(s) with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded August 27, 2008, as Instrument No. 266040, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho, in the records of said County.

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows:

Monthly payments in the amount of \$2,761.22 for the months of December 2008

through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$366,493.22 as principal, plus service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 7.875% from November 1, 2008, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.

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

Dated this 10th day of January, 2010.

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

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

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

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

NOTICE

The Southwest District Board of Health will hold its' **Board Meeting** on the following dates:

Tuesday, January 26, 2010	Tuesday, July 27, 2010
Tuesday, February 23, 2010	Tuesday, August 24, 2010
Tuesday, March 23, 2010	Tuesday, September 28, 2010
Tuesday, April 27, 2010	Tuesday, October 26, 2010
Tuesday, May 18, 2010	Tuesday, November 23, 2010
Tuesday, June 22, 2010	Tuesday, December 21, 2010

The meetings are held from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Southwest District Health, Room 206, 920 Main Street, Caldwell, Idaho.

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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

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 09-0182380 Title Order No. 090869542IDGNO Parcel No. RP 0035 000 10050 A The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse located on the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, known as 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, on 05/17/2010 at 11:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 07/22/2008 as Instrument Number 265684, and executed by JORDAN J. RELK ANDERINE.RELK,HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Owyhee County, state of Idaho: LOT 5, BLOCK 1, ROYAL VISTA ESTATES SUBDIVISION, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED APRIL 4, 2002 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 239203, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of, 2562 ROYAL VISTA DRIVE, HOMEDALE,

ID 83628 is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 08/01/2009 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 6.375% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$242,470.50, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and /or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorneys' fees, Trustees' fees and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT THE DEBT MAY BE DISPUTED. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a) IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. DATED: 01/05/2010 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 80028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. Successor Trustee Tonya Malugen, Team Member ASAP# 3400663

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

T.S. No. ID-09-296617-TD On 4/27/2010, 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: Lot 2 in Block 2 of CANYON ESTATES SUBDIVISION, according to the Official Plat thereof, filed as Instrument No. 225841, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho. TOGETHER WITH an access easement for ingress-egress and utilities over Wagon Wheel Drive, also known as Lot 19, Block 2, Canyon Estates Subdivision, according to the official plat thereof, filed as Instrument No. 225941, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 5717 Wagon Wheel Dr., HOMEDALE, ID 83628 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by STEPHEN R LILE MARRIED MAN - SEPARATE ESTATE as Grantor/Trutor, in which WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK FSB, is named as Beneficiary and ALLIANCE TITLE AND ESCROW CORP., A IDAHO CORPORATION as Trustee and recorded 3/25/1999 as Instrument No. 227902 in book -, page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of OWYHEE County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 3/16/1999. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$651.26, due per month for the months of 3/1/2009 through 7/10/2009, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$61,968.57 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.4510 per cent (%) per annum from 2/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee

is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee’s Attorney. Date: 12/23/2009 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# 3389648

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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. A S 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

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On May 4, 2010, at the hour of 1:00 o’clock PM of said day, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, State Highway 78, Murphy, ID, JUST LAW, INC., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit: **Legal description attached as Exhibit “A”.** The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real

property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of **7753 Hidden Valley Rd., Marsing, ID**, is sometimes associated with the said real property. This Trustee’s Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder’s funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Geoffrey J. Surbeck, married man, separate estate, as Grantor(s) with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded August 28, 2006, as Instrument No. 257882, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to Suntrust Mortgage, Inc., recorded December 23, 2009, as Instrument No. 269982, in the records of said County. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows: Monthly payments in the amount of \$801.71 for the months of July 2009 through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$108,399.71 as principal, plus service charges, attorney’s fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 8.875% from June 1, 2009, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated this 28th day of December, 2009. Sumerli Lynch, Trust Officer for Just Law, Inc., P.O. Box 50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405. (208) 523-9106 FAX (208) 523-9146

For information concerning this sale please contact Just Law, Inc. at <http://www.justlawidaho.com> or Toll Free at 1-800-923-9106, Thank you. EXHIBIT A File No. 200911344 This parcel is a portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 23, Township 2 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the West One-Quarter of said Section 23; thence South 0° 20’ 13” East along the West boundary of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 23 a distance of 2300.38 feet to the TRUEPOINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 89° 39’ 47” East a distance of 819.66 feet; thence South 6° 56’ 08” East a distance of 340.32 feet to a point on the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence North 90° 00’ 00” West along said South boundary a distance of 858.78 feet to the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence North 0° 20’ 13” West along the said West boundary a distance of 333.02 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. Together with and reserving therefrom a 60.00 foot ingress and egress and utility easement described as; an easement that lies in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 23, Township 2 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, and is more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence North 90° 00’ 0” East along the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter a distance of 834.60 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 6° 45’ 02” West a distance of 1239.20 feet to the Southwest corner boundary of Launch Drive, shown as Lot 1, Block 2 of HIDDEN VALLEY ESTATES SUBDIVISION on the official plat thereof; thence North 83° 21’ 36” East along said boundary a distance of 60.00 feet; thence South 6° 45’ 02” East a distance of 1246.19 feet to a point on the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence North 90° 00’ 00” West along said South boundary a distance of 60.42 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
Trustee’s Sale No. 02-FHF-84686 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on February 5, 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: Lot 8, Block 1, RIVER’S EDGE SUBDIVISION, on file and of record in the offices of Owyhee County, recorded as Instrument No. 226125. TOGETHER WITH A nonexclusive EASEMENT: A nonexclusive easement for ingress, egress and utilities as created by Easement Agreement recorded December 15, 1997 as instrument No. 223538, Owyhee County Records. A portion of Government Lots 1 and 2, in Section 11, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of said Government Lot 1; thence South 00° 57’ 00” East, 17.21 feet to a point on the easterly right-of-way of a county road; thence along the easterly right-of-way of a county road, 138.74 feet along a non-tangent curve deflecting to the right with a radius of 303.00 feet, a central angel of 26° 14’ 08”, a long chord of 137.53 feet and a long chord bearing South 16° 55’ 42” East to a point on the easterly right-of-way of a county road; thence South 03° 48’ 38’ East, 89.40 feet along the easterly right-of-way of a county road to a point; thence South 00° 31’ 17” East, 250.54 feet along the easterly right-of-way of a county road which is the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence 34.97 feet along a tangent curve deflecting to the left with a radius of 30.00 feet a central angle of 66° 47’ 00”, tangent of 19.78 feet, a long chord of 33.02 feet and a long chord bearing of South 34° 20’ 30” East to a point; thence

South 67° 44’ 00” East 82.16 feet to a point; thence South 22° 16’ 00” West, 5.00 feet to a point; thence South 67° 44’ 00” East 217.24 feet to a point; thence South 37° 21’ 59” East 198.58 feet to the northwesterly corner of a parcel of land as described in Instrument No. 166865, records of Owyhee County; thence South 22° 53’ 30” East, 130.00 feet to the Southwest corner of said Instrument No. 166865; thence South 67° 06’ 30” West 10.00 feet to the northwesterly corner of a parcel of land described in Instrument No. 216242, records of Owyhee County; thence South 06° 17’ 30” East 137.68 feet to the southwesterly corner of said Instrument No. 216242; thence South 33° 52’ 29” East, 172.88 feet to a point; thence South 27° 55’ 20” East, 328.02 feet to a point; thence South 19° 05’ 20” East, 100.00 feet to a point; thence South 70° 54’ 40” West, 100.00 feet to a point; thence North 19° 05’ 20” West, 100.00 feet to a point; thence North 70° 54’ 40” East, 49.40 feet to a point; thence North 27° 55’ 20” West, 317.64 feet to a point; thence North 33° 52’ 29” West, 179.84 feet to a point; thence North 12° 13’ 32” West, 218.95 feet to a point; thence North 26° 23’ 15” West, 106.88 feet to a point; thence North 37° 31’ 59” West, 108.75 feet to a point; thence North 67° 44’ 00” West, 184.78 feet to a point; thence South 22° 16’ 00” West, 5.00 feet to a point; thence North 67° 44’ 00” West, 52.76 feet to a point; thence 59.06 feet along a tangent curve deflecting to the left, with a radius of 30.00 feet, a central angle of 112° 47’ 17”, a long chord of 29.97 feet and a long chord bearing South 55° 52’ 22” West; thence North 00° 31’ 17” West, 129.94 feet to the REAL 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 7228 PROCTOR LANE, 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 DANNY L WILLMORE, AS SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III, as Beneficiary, dated 6/23/2006, recorded 6/27/2006, under Instrument No. 257055, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III. 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 6/23/2006, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 5/28/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of October 1, 2009 Delinquent Payments from May 28, 2009 5 payments at \$ 1,661.82 each \$ 8,309.10 (05-28-09 through 10-01-09) Late Charges: \$ 332.36 Beneficiary Advances: \$ 110.00 Suspense Credit: \$ 0.00 TOTAL: \$ 8,751.46 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 \$207,388.80, together with interest thereon at 7.950% per annum from 4/28/2009, 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: 10/1/2009. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: <http://www.rtrustee.com> ASAP# 3395183 1/13,20,27,2/3/10

HELP WANTED

The Shoshone-Paiute Tribes is now accepting applications for (1) Chief Tribal Judge and (1) Associate Judge. The Chief Judge position works 6-8 days out of the month, depending on cases. The Associate will serve as needed. Closing date for packets is February 24, 2010, 3:00 p.m. Drug test is also required. For further information and a judicial packet please contact the Executive Assistant to the CEO at 208-759-3100, Ext 253.
City of Homedale has an opening for a full time Maintenance Worker in the Public Works Dept. Full job description available with application at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming, Homedale. Application with a Resume must be in by 5:00 p.m. January 29, 2010

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THANK YOU

We, the family of Frank Combs Sr. wish to thank everyone who attended his 80th birthday party at the Homedale fire station on Nov. 28, 2009. We also want to thank the fire dept. for allowing us the use of the fire station and especially to Danny Parrill for his hard work getting the station ready. It was a wonderful surprise for Frank which he enjoyed tremendously. God Bless each one of you! -Colleen Combs and children

YARD SALE

Yard Sale, Jan. 23rd! Indoor yard sale at the Hope House: 9-4pm. Warm clothing in good condition, shoes, book in good/ mint condition (kids & adults), glassware, small kitchen appliances, hand tools, yard equipment, stuffed animals, linens & bedding, sewing & craft materials, much misc. Please look for the signs!

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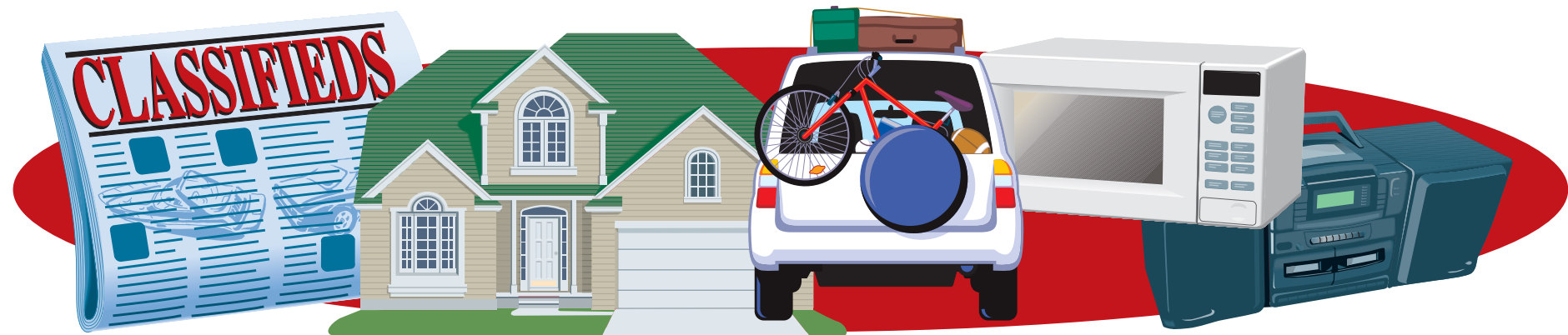


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