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PA: Competition could cut county court costs

**Emery: Put defender
contract out to bid,
limit appointment
of counsel**

Opening the public defender contract to bidding and reducing the cases in which a defender is appointed are two ideas Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery has to save taxpayer dollars.

Emery broached the subject at a recent Board of County Commissioners meeting.

Last week, the commissioners received a contract extension proposal from longtime public defender William H. Wellman.

Details of the proposal aren't available after commissioners voted to table the issue until they begin studying the fiscal year 2011 budget later this year. Wellman's two-

year, \$180,000 contract expires on Sept. 30. The Nampa-based attorney also submitted an extension proposal in November.

Emery wants to solicit bids from area attorneys in an effort to bring down county costs.

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Homedale High School students check out the selection at the Owyhee County Closet of Dreams at the probation office Friday. Browsing the selection were, from left, freshmen Valeria Garcia and Katia Rios, junior Kirsi Thatcher, freshman Mackenzie McMichael and junior Kyla Hiser.

Community donations help girls' prom dreams come true

**Roomful of dresses, etc., now
available for rental**

With prom season in full swing, organizers are looking for formal wear and accessories to stock the Owyhee County Closet of Dreams.

The room filled with dresses, shoes, purses and trinkets is located inside the Owyhee County Probation Office, 8 N. 2nd St. W., in Homedale. It opened last

week, and the plan is to keep the doors during school months so girls can browse for proms, Homecoming dances and winter formals, probation officer Ivy Cardenas said.

Girls can rent their wardrobe for a \$10 cleaning deposit. For more information, call the probation office at (208) 337-3702.

Donated items can be dropped off at the probation office or at the Moxie Java Bistro at the corner of U.S. Highway 95 and Industrial Road in Homedale. Bistro owner Lori Badiola has been instrumental in getting the closet organized, Cardenas said, and several community members have donated dresses, shoes, jewelry and handbags.

"We currently have a small

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Either library option could cost more than \$300K

**Homedale council
votes to set public
hearing for input**

A discussion about the Homedale Public Library's future location attracted several community members to Wednesday's city council meeting.

Views ranged from building a new library on city-owned land next to City Hall to expanding the library at its existing locale on West Owyhee Avenue. Options

included constructing a new building and then trying to form a taxing district to forming a taxing district and then finding a way to construct a new building.

The council unanimously set a May 12 public hearing to get further input on the library issue.

Wednesday's meeting brought out a former mayor and two current Republican candidates for county commissioner as well as concerned citizens and members of the library board.

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Upset hay truck leaves Murphy phoneless

Friday was a quiet day at the county seat — at least as far as phone calls went — after a southbound hay truck lost its load and took out a telecommunications junction box on Idaho highway 78 at about 11 a.m.

The non-injury accident resulted in county offices being cut off for the remainder of the business day. Emergency services stayed

up as calls were routed through Canyon County's E-911 system, though Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall said the 15-minute switchover time was a concern.

"Fifteen minutes is a long time to hold your breath," he said. "It should have been automatic."

Phone services to Murphy

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BLM puts travel plan in motion

New guidelines in place after trail closures, rehabilitation

The Bureau of Land Management last week outlined its work on the implementation of the Murphy Subregion Travel Management Plan.

Owyhee County lost an appeal last month, allowing the federal agency to move forward on the plan covering about 233,000 acres of public lands between Reynolds Creek and Oreana.

The Board of County Commissioners was scheduled to discuss the TMP on Tuesday. Details weren't available at press time.

The BLM said in a press release that the plan took more than two years to complete and was developed to address the impacts of various types of travel on other uses and resources in the area.

Highlights of the plan include opening 850 miles of routes for motorized travel while closing 420 miles of routes that conflicted with other authorized land uses. Maps of the route system will be available this fall.

BLM has been working toward implementation over the past few months. In February, crews began signing designated routes and rehabilitating trails and roads closed by the TMP. A trail dozer was used to till surfaces that had been compacted by repeated riding. Vegetation was either established or re-established by raking and seeding.

Trenches, moguls and earthen tank trap barriers were created to keep riders off closed routes. Hand-crews will perform maintenance on 160 miles of single-track trails as needed.

In December, some trailheads and unauthorized off-highway vehicle (OHV) play areas were fenced off to protect sensitive species plants such as Mulford's milkvetch.

Until maps are produced later this year, the BLM said recreationists are expected to comply with guidelines posted on signs throughout the area.

"We want to create an enjoyable trail system that is sustainable over the long term," BLM Owyhee Field Office outdoor recreation planner Ryan Homan said.

"Implementing the Murphy plan will help us accommodate the multiple and varied uses of these lands while also protecting the area's natural and cultural resources."

The Murphy Subregion Travel Management Plan was finalized in April 2009.

The Subregion, which draws thousands of OHV enthusiasts from throughout the Treasure Valley, is a portion of the BLM Owyhee Front Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA). The SRMA was designated in the 1999 resource management plan for the

BLM Owyhee Field Office.

A similar plan is in place in the 28,000-acre Wilson Creek Travel Management Area south of Marsing.

During development of the Murphy plan, the BLM held public meetings, met with groups representing a variety of recreational uses including motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle (ATV) and four-wheel drive riders, equestrians, mountain bike riders and hikers, and gathered input from local, state and tribal authorities.

Issues and concerns identified included the impact of various forms of travel on sensitive plant species, cultural sites, wild horses, agricultural uses, and habitat for golden eagles, bighorn sheep and sage-grouse.

Additional concerns arose about soil erosion, riparian areas and water quality, trespass on private property, and unauthorized play areas, hill climbs and unsustainable routes. Management actions and route closures in the plan address these concerns, according to BLM officials.

"We look forward to continuing to build relationships with Owyhee County, the Shoshone-Paiute Tribe, and our public land users as we implement this plan," BLM Boise District manager Aden Seidlitz said.

"By communicating, working together closely, and being good neighbors, this area can remain open to responsible OHV use for years to come."



Young actors get their shot
Children showed off the acting chops they learned during the Homedale High School Drama Club's workshop Saturday at the old gymnasium on the HHS campus. The children performed "Lion and the Mouse" on Saturday night after their tutorial.

County seeks 911 replacement bids

The county has taken the next step in replacing its 911 system by issuing a request for proposals.

The Board of County Commissioners approved an RFP during last week's meeting in Murphy.

The county's 911 committee recommended solicitation for bids for a standalone system.

The deadline to receive RFPs is May 21, and bids will be opened at 10 a.m. on May 24 during the BOCC meeting.

The county has until July 31 to submit a grant application to the state Emergency Communications Commission for fiscal year 2011 funding. The award is expected in the fall, and administrator Eddie Goldsmith has told officials that the county is near the top of the funding priority list behind two counties that aren't E-911 compatible yet.

Sage to administer grant

The commissioners unanimously agreed to hire Sage Community Resources as administrator for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant awarded by the Office of Energy Resources.

The county will pay Sage to help with the \$69,729 grant targeted to replace windows and lighting in the courthouse and update water heaters and heat exchangers in the county jail.

Sage will coordinate with the county to make monthly reports to OER on job creation, energy savings, greenhouse gas emission reduction and money saved.

— JPB

Marsing school district to hold public meeting

The board of trustees of Marsing School District No. 363 has called a special public meeting to be held tonight at 8 at the Marsing School District Boardroom.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider input from all stakeholders relating to the possible declaration of financial emergency as provided by provisions of the Idaho Code as it relates to the 2010-2011 school year.

This follows the Idaho legislature's decision at the end of this session to declare a statewide emergency, which school districts must decide whether or not to partake of. Under the emergency declaration, schools can limit hours or salaries under the state of emergency.

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Homeowner seeks injunction against city’s demo order

Nuisance hearing set for Thursday

The owner of a burned-out Homedale home has gone to court in an attempt to halt the city’s abatement proceedings.

Dennis Davis requested a preliminary injunction in Third District Court in Murphy in an April 6 filing.

Davis owns one of two homes that were destroyed by a Thanksgiving Day fire last year. After issuing extensions, the City of Homedale last month ordered Davis to demolish his home in the 300 block of West Owyhee Avenue.

Something classified as a “quasi-judicial hearing” will be held Thursday on the nuisance abatement of the property owned by Davis and his wife, Elizabeth. The hearing takes place during the 6 p.m. City Council meeting at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.,

According to court records, Davis seeks to stop the city’s action and wants the court to prohibit any civil or criminal action by Homedale for at least six months.

The case has been assigned to District Judge Thomas J. Ryan. No court hearing has been set.

According to Davis’ complaint, the City of Homedale originally served a notice of a nuisance ordinance violation on Jan. 19.

In the injunction, Davis contends compliance with the city order would hamper the \$200,000 lawsuit he has filed against Anita and Michael Brown. The Browns own the neighboring home where the fire started.

The petition also implies Davis could sue appliance manufacturer Frigidaire. Davis’ petition claims there is evidence that a malfunctioning electric range in the Browns’ kitchen caused the fire.

— JPB

Council takes up P&Z chief’s appointment

Thursday’s Homedale City Council meeting will address the appointment of the Planning and Zoning administrator.

Sylvia Bahem currently holds the position, and she received the endorsement of members of the P&Z commission last week after an executive session during the first council meeting of the month. The city zoning ordinance says the council must hear a recommendation from the P&Z board before appointing an administrator. The ordinance does not specify if appointments must be made annually.

The council meeting begins at 6 p.m. Thursday inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Other items on the agenda include:

- Discussion of a citywide cleanup championed by Councilman Eino Hendrickson during each of the past two council meetings.
- A presentation on the proposed Idaho-Oregon Snake River Water Trail
- A hearing characterized on the agenda as “quasi-judicial” regarding nuisance abatement of the property owned by Dennis and Elizabeth Davis at 308-312 W. Owyhee Ave.
- Regular departmental reports from the police, public works, P&Z, city attorney and the mayor and councilmen.

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Marsing fire ranking improves

City residents may pay less in home insurance following the installation of the city’s new water system.

Following the installation of the city’s new water system and the addition of hydrants, Mayor Keith Green reported that the city had improved its Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS) score to class 5 from 6, and that homeowners should see a reduction in insurance once insurers updated their databases. For fire ratings, class 9 is the minimum for fire protection in Idaho, and class 1 is the highest possible rating.

The FSRS overall rating is based on community fire alarms (10 percent of the total rating), the fire department (50 percent), and water supply (40 percent).

Following the rating by the Idaho Surveying and Rating Bureau, Inc., the city posted a score of 81 percent for alarm installations (8.10 out of a possible 10 points), 41 percent for the fire department (20.61 out of 50 points) and 87 percent for water supply (34.89 out of 40).

The fire department’s score appeared to be due to small-town equipment issues in several instances — while nabbing a 68 percent for engine companies, Marsing scored just 38 percent on reserve pumpers, 32 percent for ladder services and zero for reserve ladder services.

Wine may help parks
Wine fanciers may have a chance to sample a Marsing vintage, if talks between the city and the Bitner Winery conclude.

Green told the council that Bitner made inquiries about a private label utilizing the Marsing “Gateway to the Owyhees” logo. If the plan launches, the city would see \$5 per bottle sold, with the funds dedicated to supporting the city parks.

Green also expressed a hope that, should the vintage prove popular, Marsing’s logo might greet wine-shoppers from shelves in Boise and elsewhere.

City signs Westowns pact
The city renewed its contract with Westowns Disposal for trash services. Company head Bill Pastoor asked if the city would agree to a 10-year rather than five-year contract, and the council agreed. Pastoor did not rule out rate increases over the life of the contract, but said none were planned in the immediate future.

CERT seeks endorsement
Marlene Moore gave a presentation including a 15-minute video on the Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) program she has headed for the past two years. The CERT group graduated 15 in its first year and five this year, including three ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Services) radio operators, she said.

CERT volunteers are unpaid and provide disaster aid, triage, small fire suppression and first aid in their communities in the event of natural disasters, accidents or terrorist activities, Moore explained. They operate within the bounds of their training, and do not provide paramedic services. The volunteer organization exists under the umbrella of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as well as Homeland Security, but is directed by local concerns.

She came before the city council requesting endorsement of the program from the city at the behest of county emergency services coordinator Jim Desmond, she said. Desmond had asked CERT volunteers to form formal relationships with the cities in the county. Moore said she hoped such relationships would encourage the county to do the same.

While supportive, councilpersons had questions as to responsibility if the city simply signed off on an official relationship.

Councilman James Ferdinand asked if the city would be liable in a case where a CERT volunteer did something that resulted in legal action. After discussion, the council decided to have the city attorney craft a resolution to recognize and show approval of the CERT program, to be adopted during the May 12 city council meeting.

—MML



No motorized rec planned for dunes
Two people and their dog walk up one of the dunes at Bruneau Sand Dunes State Park earlier this month.

IDPR head: No plans for ATVs on dunes

The state is not looking at allowing ATVs on Bruneau Sand Dunes, according to an e-mail from Idaho Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Merrill to a state representative.

“We are not planning on opening up this park to ATVs,” Merrill wrote in an e-mail to District 23B Rep. Stephen Hartgen (R-Twin Falls). “This idea was one of many that came from a constituent.”

Merrill did say that the idea of allow sand boarding at the state park in Owyhee County “seems to have a lot of support.”

IDPR began brainstorming on ways to increase revenue, and ATV use on the dunes was one of the reported ideas.

“I will talk to the commissioners to let them know this is an idea that is going nowhere as far as we are concerned,” Merrill wrote in regards to the ATV issue.

When news of the idea broke, county officials became concerned about how opening the dunes to motorized recreational use would put a strain on resources, such as sheriff’s office manpower and emergency services.

—JPB

Progress on burglaries outlined

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Deputy Jeff Wasson gave an update on the recent Marsing burglaries during his monthly law enforcement report to the Marsing City Council.

Councilman Aron Streibel asked how investigations into the three burglaries during previous weeks — two at In The Grind and one at the Whitehouse diner — were progressing.

“It’s going in a good direction at this time, we believe,” Wasson said. “I feel we have a good handle on who it is.”

Streibel asked if there was anything the community needed to know or do to help with the situation. Wasson said the community had shown awareness of the issue and was watchful.

Wasson said OCSO responded to 117 calls in the city, and logged 303 patrol hours, plus 26 hours in the schools, a number that was reduced from the previous month by the lack of class-days due to spring break.

He also reported that heaviest call-volume days during the previous month were Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

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✓ Court: Emery says judges need more discretion on PD appointments

“Competition is good, particularly in difficult financial times like those which the county is now experiencing,” Emery said in an e-mail.

The request for proposal process would allow the county to examine offers from area law firms, much like Canyon County recently did. Attorneys Klaus Wiebe and Scott Fouser, who had been Canyon’s public defenders for 12 years, sued last year after the county decided to seek contract bids. The pair later settled their lawsuit out of court.

Emery said Owyhee could save “thousands of dollars” by seeking competitive proposals. The county currently pays Wellman \$90,000 per year. A message left at Wellman’s private practice office in Nampa seeking comment was not returned.

“Such \$90,000 sum for part-time public defender and supporting legal services greatly exceeds the salary of any elected Owyhee

County official, including the full-time position of county prosecuting attorney, which pays \$80,000 annual,” Emery wrote in his e-mail.

He also said that “six or more” area law firms have expressed a “general willingness” to handle criminal defense in Owyhee County.

Emery also has suggested more stringent guidelines on the appointment of defense counsel as a way to curtail what he calls unnecessary county expenses. He said at present that judges in Owyhee County appoint a public defender in all cases in which the defendant cannot afford representation.

“There is an issue within the constitution and there’s also federal court case law that indicates a public defender generally is not appointed on cases in which jail is not to be imposed,” Emery told commissioners.

Emery said Idaho’s Fourth Judicial District doesn’t appoint

PDs in cases in which jail time won’t be imposed. He also said the state Attorney General’s office confirmed that appointment of counsel can be limited to cases in which the defendant is factually indigent or either in jail or facing jail time. He added that most courts make appointments only in felony cases or a limited number of misdemeanor cases in which the defendant has been arrested or is facing mandatory or likely jail time.

Third District Trial Court Administrator Dan Kessler said judges are required to inform defendants of their right to counsel.

“The preferred practice is to appoint counsel for needy individuals in cases where the statutory penalties provide for the possibility of a jail sentence,” Kessler wrote in a response to The Owyhee Avalanche. “A prosecutor’s representation that the State will not seek a jail sentence does

not bind the court to follow the prosecutor’s sentencing recommendation.”

Kessler points out that the law allows prosecutors to recover payment from defendants who were not entitled to representation at county expense but received it anyway.

In Owyhee County, Emery said, Wellman is appointed for “even the most minor of misdemeanor offenses” such as disturbing the peace for playing loud music or littering. He said in those cases the defense, prosecution and judge could agree not to seek incarceration and save the need for a PD and jury trials.

Emery said that counsel appointment is discretionary, with some judges asking for affidavits on a defendant’s financial situation and others simply calculating how much a defendant has in bills and other obligations. He said other judges order reimbursement to the county at an hourly rate for

PD services that would be comparable to what it costs to retain private counsel.

“Our local magistrate (Judge Dan C. Grober) takes the position, essentially, that on any jailable offense, including misdemeanors, irrespective of whether the court would actually impose jail, (defendants are) entitled to the services of a public defender,” Emery told the BOCC, adding that he had five such trials on the docket.

County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said the county spends between \$1,200 and \$1,500 for a one-day misdemeanor jury trial.

“These are difficult financial times in which Owyhee County, like many other jurisdictions, struggles to operate with substantially reduced resources,” Emery wrote in his e-mail. “It is in the best interests of this county to assure that the county’s limited resources are properly used.”

— JPB

✓ Library: Director says attempts to find grant money unsuccessful

It also seemingly split the city’s elected officials. Mayor Harold Wilson continued his support of a plan to erect a 5,000-square-foot building on a parcel the council has conditionally donated to the library board. Councilman Tim Downing focused on expanding the current library facility, which was built 30 years ago.

The costs of building anew or adding on to the existing Homedale Public Library are comparable according to estimates from two different architectural firms. Design Resources principal partner Rocky Towle submitted a cost projection for a new building after being approached by Wilson. Design West estimated the cost of expanding the current library from 1,348 square feet to 4,304 square feet after Downing contacted that firm.

The two companies weren’t

asked to submit estimates for both options, Wilson said during the public comment period of Wednesday’s discussion.

Design Resources estimates that it will cost \$341,510 to build a new facility next to City Hall. Handwritten notations on the estimate detailed Towle told City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram in a phone conversation that the estimate didn’t include furnishings or any possible soil testing. The \$35,958 value of the metal structure donated by R&M Steel that would serve as the library’s exterior was not included in the estimate.

The expansion plan would cost about \$310,000, Downing said during the meeting. He added that the cost didn’t include purchase of a lot to east of the existing library at 125 W. Owyhee Ave., which could be an option to get more

room. The councilman said that even without the adjacent property there would be 12 parking spaces available.

The library board has \$170,000 in investment money to dedicate to any construction project, and library director Margaret Fujishin said Wednesday that grant opportunities haven’t materialized.

The city’s donation of the parcel next to City Hall, which was finalized 14 months ago, was contingent on the library board securing grants to build.

Public comment at Wednesday’s meeting ranged from the need for an expanded library to the concept of establishing a taxing district along the same boundaries as the Homedale School District to fund future library endeavors.

“If Harold worked as hard on a district as he has for this library,

we’d have the district now,” Downing said.

Former Mayor Paul Fink pointed out that the formation of a library district had been discussed by previous administrations with no movement forward, and he questioned the prudence of building a new library before putting a taxing district proposal on the ballot.

“Why buy the cart if you don’t have the horse to pull it?” Fink asked. “Are you going to sell the old library before construction? How are you going to fund it without a district?”

New library board member Carolyn Grooms endorsed a new library building because of the accessibility and visibility of the lot next to City Hall.

Downing voiced skepticism that a new building would cost only \$341,510, pointing out

that the Lizard Butte Library district floated a \$775,000 bond to construct its new building a couple years ago.

The councilman stressed that he was concerned about where the money for either option would be found.

“We need to talk about how we’re paying for this,” he said. “It’s the economics of it, not the need (of a new building).”

At one point, Wilson asked about a motion for a public hearing to open the fiscal year 2010 budget to move money from the general fund for the purpose of building a library. Downing balked at the idea.

“If we take this money and spend it on a library, we’re going to drain our resources entirely,” he said.

— JPB

✓ Murphy: Phones go down for nine hours

were disrupted for almost nine hours, Crandall said. He said that Qwest’s Minneapolis office had called to apologize for the time it took to repair the lines.

“It was a nightmare,” he said of the situation.

There is a distinction between how Qwest deals with downed 911 systems and other lines, Bob Gravely, regional spokesman for Qwest, said. “The first priority is always the 911 system.”

Gravely said that the techs were on-scene to deal with the damage by about 1 p.m., after the crew’s leader was informed of the incident at 12:30 p.m.

“From my perspective, things went as they normally do,”

Gravely said. “I heard it was a really messy thing.”

Crandall said the rollover wreck that caused the issue occurred when a new driver on his first trip had a pup trailer roll over, pulling the truck’s main trailer over as well, the vehicle rolling across the Qwest telecommunications junction box. The driver was cited for failing to maintain his lane of travel.

“It was just a big ball of wires,” Crandall said of the aftermath. “The last I heard, it was about \$12,000 in damages. They had to put a whole new transponder in.”

Gravely agreed. “It was a massive amount of damage.”

One lingering impact of the wreck is that the driver licensing department’s computer is down, and will require a tech from the state of Idaho to get it on track once more, Crandall said.

County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said her office kept its head above water by using cell phones for vital business.

As of 10 p.m. Friday night, Sherburn passed the accident scene and reported that workers were still loading hay.

— MML

✓ Prom: Closet now open

selection to choose from but will continue to add to and build up our inventory,” Cardenas said. “If anyone would like to donate a dress or an accessory item, we would gladly welcome it.”

The Closet of Dreams is open to all Owyhee County high schools — Homedale, Marsing and Rimrock — as well as Adrian, Jordan Valley, Wilder, Parma and Notus.

Adrian’s prom came April 9, and Marsing held its prom Saturday. The Jordan Valley prom is set

for April 30, with the Homedale prom slated for May 1. Scheduling for Rimrock’s prom wasn’t available.

“This is our first year in offering this service and realize the prom season is now upon us, but we are available if there is a young lady who might need a last-minute item,” Cardenas said.

— JPB

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Obituaries

Walter T. Smith

Walter T. Smith, 87 of Caldwell, passed away Thursday, April 15, 2010 at home of natural causes. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 21st at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, Marsing under the direction of Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family through their online tribute page at www.dakanfuneralchapel.com

Walt was born on March 10, 1923 to J.T. (Ted) and Ione Smith of Homedale where they made their home on the Flying T Ranch. He was the oldest of two children. He graduated Homedale High School in 1942 and attended the College of Idaho, playing football as a freshman. Walt enlisted in the United States Air Force serving in the Pacific as a gunner on a B29 with 33 missions accomplished. Upon return from the service, Walt met, fell in love and married his wife of 64 years, Mary Louise (Wynn).

Walt and Mary Louise began their life farming in Homedale, but soon moved to Cambridge where Walt pursued his love of sports as a P.E. teacher and coach. In 1948, a son was born, Phillip Theodore, then five years later, they added a daughter, Rebecca Louise. During the 1950s, the



family purchased a dairy west of Caldwell and worked hard farming and milking for several years and by 1962 added another daughter, Amy Lucile. When Walt’s health forced him to retire from farming, he became a real estate agent/broker, specializing in farms and ranches. Walt had a great love of the outdoors and during this time pursued his interest in mining and prospecting. He purchased several mining claims and worked those claims in the hills of Nevada for many years.

Walt didn’t let his health decline stop him from doing the things he loved to do. He was an avid gardener — always growing more vegetables than his family and friends could use. He looked forward to the annual elk hunting

trips and was determined to continue the tradition even after the death of his son. With the help of his son-in-law, Larry, he never missed a trip. Walt continued his work in real estate to the end. He loved to work with people and help make their dreams of ownership come true. Walt was rich with love and friendship from friends and family and he knew it.

Walt is survived by his wife, Mary Louise; his sister and brother-in-law, Donna and Skip Young; his nephew, Tracy Goodloe; his daughter and son-in-law, Amy and Larry Hoobery; his grandchildren, Anthony Smith (Lina), Andrea Banks-Howard, Allison Stoller (Lance), Katy Hoobery, Michael Hoobery and great-grandchildren, A.J. and Adrianna Smith, Noah Banks, Cyrus Howard and Jaiden Stoller.

Walt was preceded in death by his parents; his nephew, Dick; his daughter, Becky; his son, Phil; and his great-grandson, Lucas.

The family extends their deepest gratitude to all who supported Walt in his battle: The Idaho VA, Family Home Health and Hospice and HomeWatch CareGivers. Memorials may be made in Walt’s memory to those organizations.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

- April 21: Chicken tenders or finger steaks, broccoli, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon roll, milk
- April 22: Oven fried chicken or mini beef bagel bites, roll, fruit rollup, fruit & veggie bar, milk
- April 23: Pizza or popcorn chicken, carrot sticks, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk
- April 26: Chicken tenders or country fried beef steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk
- April 27: Deli or fish sandwich, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, animal crackers, milk
- April 28: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, churro, milk

Homedale Middle

- April 21: Beef or chicken taco, fruit rollup, fruit & veggie bar, milk
- April 22: Idaho haystack or split top sandwich, churro, fruit & veggie bar, milk
- April 23: Chicken tenders or chicken fried beef steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk
- April 26: Hamburger or hot dog, fries, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk
- April 27: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon roll, milk
- April 28: Enchilada or chicken & noodles, corn, fruit & veggie bar, turnover, milk

Homedale High

- April 21: Enchilada, burrito or pizza hot pocket, baked potato, fruit & salad bar, milk
- April 22: Grilled chicken, deli or pulled pork BBQ sandwich, potato wedges, soup, turnover, fruit & salad bar, milk
- April 23: Crispito or rib-b-que, corn, taco salad, fruit bar, milk
- April 26: Pizza, chicken bacon melt or chef salad, fruit bar, strawberry shortcake, milk
- April 27: Beef nuggets or chicken filet, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit bar, milk
- April 28: Lasagna, burrito or pizza hot pocket, string cheese, French bread, fruit bar, milk

Marsing

- April 21: Corn dog, veggies, pudding, baked potato, fruit bar, milk
- April 22: Macaroni & cheese, veggies, burrito, fruit bar, milk
- April 23: Nachos, sandwiches, salad & fruit bar, milk
- April 26: Lasagna, salad, Italian bread, cook’s choice, salad & fruit bar, milk
- April 27: Hot dog/chili dog, strawberries & bananas, rib-b-que, salad & fruit bar, milk
- April 28: Chicken nuggets, veggies, pudding, chicken fajita, salad & fruit bar, milk

Bruneau

- April 21: Cheese yum, chicken noodle soup, salad, fruit, cake, milk
- April 22: Turkey, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas, roll, fruit, milk
- April 23: Hamburger/bun, tots, fresh veggie, fresh fruit, cookie, milk
- April 26: Ham, scalloped potatoes, winter veggies, roll/butter, fruit, milk
- April 27: Nachos & salsa, rice, corn, watermelon, milk
- April 28: Lasagna, tossed salad, garlic bread, fruited jello, milk

Death notices

MILDRED I. BARKER (AEVERMANN), 76, of Marsing, died Thursday, April 15, 2010, at a local hospital. A graveside service was held Monday, April 19, 2010, at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery under the direction of Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

CLYDE B. FISHER, 74, of Givens Hot Springs, died Monday, April 12, 2010, at a local hospital. Arrangements are under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

DONALD L. GARRARD, 71, of Jordan Valley, Ore., died Thursday, April 15, 2010, at home. Services are pending with Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

LOYD C. SHEWEY, 82, of Caldwell and formerly of the Givens Hot Springs area, died Saturday, April 17, 2010, at home of natural causes. Viewing will be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 22, 2010 at noon at Flahiff in Caldwell. Interment will follow at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery, Boise.

Jan P. (Bannick) Womack

Jan P. (Bannick) Womack, 69, of Jordan Valley, Oregon, passed away in her home with her family by her side on April 9, 2010, as a result of untreatable cancer.

Jan was born on May 22, 1940 in Effingham, Illinois to Henry and Laura Bannick. She was the fourth of seven children. She grew up and was educated in Effingham, and graduated from Dietrich High School in the class of 1958.

In the summer of 1960 Jan met Dave Womack on a dude ranch in Nogales, Arizona, and they married in May of 1961. A year later on March 16, 1962 their first daughter, Shannon Marie, was born. Two years later, while working at the ZX ranch, in Paisley, Oregon, their second daughter, Teresa Ann was born. Dave and Jan raised their daughters on various ranches based in Oregon, Nevada, and at one time in Alaska. Dave would buckaroo and Jan did various ranch jobs, from cooking in the cook houses to help care for the cattle. Their union ended in 1983, and Jan moved back to her home in Illinois to spend time with family.

While in Illinois, Jan met Jack Tinges, in the fall of 1984. Their shared love of baseball and fishing led to 26 years of laughter, travels, and happiness. They lived in La Grande for a short time and while there Jan received an Associate’s Degree in business. They then



moved to Las Vegas, Nevada to work for CK Farms, where Jan was head grower for the nursery. While in Las Vegas they enjoyed playing pool, fishing, and eating seafood. They retired in 2003, and moved to Jordan Valley, Oregon to be closer to their children and grandchildren. While in Jordan Valley, Jan continued her love of gardening, by meticulously landscaping her yard. She also enjoyed participating in all of her grandchildren’s lives, often driving back and forth from to Jordan Valley to Prineville to watch events such as basketball, rodeo, volleyball, football, and 4-H.

Jan was a very motivated, competitive, and passionate person. She enjoyed competing in bowling and won many a pool tournament. She still holds the record in Effingham, Illinois for bowling a perfect 300 game, her junior year in high school. Jan

had incredible character and a very exceptional sense of humor. She loved to laugh and pull jokes on friends and loved ones. Her whole life she loved the outdoors, hunting and fishing, and spending long weekends on the boat with Jack. She enjoyed the ocean, and would take long drives to see it.

Jan is survived by her husband of 26 years, Jack Tinges; daughter Shannon (Tom) Blasdell, and their children Amber and Logan of Prineville, OR; daughter Teresa (Kenny) Kershner, and their children Bailey and Bryce of Jordan Valley, OR; brother Albert (Loretta) Bannick of Ontonagon, MI; sister Thelma (Ron) Poe of Pebble Beach, CA; sister Caroline (Roger) Verdyn of Elliotstown, IL; sister Linda (Jeff) Reel of Mason, IL; brother David (Dee Dee) Bannick of Aridaca, AZ; and all her special nieces and nephews.

Jan is preceded in death by her parents: Henry and Laura Bannick of Effingham, IL; and an infant brother.

Her family thanks everyone for their thoughts and prayers. Jan requested that no memorial services be held in her honor. There will be an intimate family service later in her memory. In lieu of flowers the family requests you make donations to: Legacy Home Health and Hospice, 680 South Progress Ave. Ste. 2A, Meridian, ID 83642. 1-208-895-8686.

Calendar

Today

El-Ada commodity distribution
11 a.m. to noon, Main Street near Freddie’s Tacos, Marsing. (208) 337-4812

Bruneau and Beyond speaker series
Noon, free lunch and program, RSVP by Monday, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131

Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting
6 p.m., Grand View Firehouse, 721 Roosevelt Ave., Grand View

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

HHS grad night bingo fundraiser
6:30 p.m., \$5 two cards, \$5 dinner, \$1 dessert, Homedale Senior Center, Homedale. (208) 989-5273

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

Thursday

Senior center lunch
Noon, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2808

Vision Church food distribution
2 p.m. to 4 p.m., donations welcome, Vision Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-5407

Library after-school program
3:30 p.m., grades 4-6, Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

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

Homedale City Council meeting
6 p.m., 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

Straight Forward talk and dinner
7 p.m., for parents of middle school students, Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School cafeteria, 39678 Hwy. 78, Bruneau. RSVP: (208) 845-2492 or jaquiso@sd365.us. Program information: (605) 310-3226 or johnspeak@sio.midco.net

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

Friday

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

Saturday

OCHS field trip
10 a.m., Jordan Valley City Park, Jordan Valley. (208) 337-3312 or (208) 495-2634

Sunday

Marsing Gun Club shoot
For more information, call Tim Dines at 573-3321 or Marty Floyd at 573-3533.

Monday

Library after-school program
Tappin’ Toes preschoolers, 2:30 p.m., K-3 students, 3:30 p.m., Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Narcotics Anonymous open meeting
8 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17454 Hwy. 95 S., Homedale. (208) 442-2220

Tuesday

Preschooler story time
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Rimrock quilting group
1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2665

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

Tween and Teens
6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Homedale Elementary registration
7:30 p.m., Homedale Elementary School library, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4033

Wednesday

GOP candidates night
7 p.m., Courtroom 1, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Hwy. 78, Murphy.

Thursday, April 29

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Marsing kindergarten screening
4 p.m. to 6 p.m., screening appointment necessary, Marsing Elementary School, 8th Avenue West, Marsing. (208) 896-4111, ext. 497

Homedale AA meeting
8 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 571-4048

Friday, April 30

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.

Marsing kindergarten screening
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., screening appointment necessary, Marsing Elementary School, 8th Avenue West, Marsing. (208) 896-4111, ext. 497

Marsing School Carnival
5 p.m. to 8 p.m., games, food, music, Marsing Elementary School common area, Marsing. (208) 89604111, ext. 499 or (208) 250-2088

Saturday, May 1

Antique tractor pulls
Noon, Amalgamated Sugar Co. beet dump, North Third Street East, Homedale.

Monday, May 3

Narcotics Anonymous open meeting
8 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17454 Hwy. 95 S., Homedale. (208) 442-2220

Library after-school program
Tappin’ Toes preschoolers, 2:30 p.m., K-3 students, 3:30 p.m., Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

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Senior menus

Homedale
April 21: Country fried steak, mashed potato, gravy, peas & carrots, roll, beverage
April 22: Beef & broccoli rice, roll, beverage
April 27: Meatloaf, potato, gravy, broccoli, roll
April 28: Baked fish, baked potato, California blend vegetables, roll, beverage
April 29: Spaghetti & meat sauce, salad, roll, beverage

Rimrock

April 22: Pork ribs & sauerkraut, potatoes, carrots, salad w/apples, French bread, pears, cookie
April 27: Tacos, lettuce, tomato, onion, green peppers in rice, flour & corn tortilla, refried beans, applesauce, milk
April 29: BBQ chicken, baked beans, corn, peppers, carrots, onions, carrot/cabbage raisin slaw, orange juice, roll, oatmeal raisin cookie

Rimrock seniors selling goodies, quilts

The Grand View branch of US Bank will host a bake sale by the Rimrock Senior Citizens group beginning at 10 a.m. Friday.	several quilts that organizers say are perfect for wedding, baby and graduation gifts. Contact Marolyn Markham or Ellen Bates to see the quilts or to tell them of anyone in need of a donated quilt.
Donations of goodies for the sale can be dropped off at the Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., on Thursday afternoon.	The quilters meet each Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the senior center.
The Rimrock Senior Center’s Tuesday Quilters are selling	The Rimrock Senior Center can be contacted at (208) 834-2808.

Marsing Gun Show
Saturday, April 24 • 9 am - 5 pm
Sunday, April 25 • 9 am - 3 pm
American Legion Hall
126 N. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing, Idaho
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Birthday

Friends invited to open house for Ebbers' 70th

The family of Meril Ebbers invites all friends to an open house to celebrate his 70th birthday on Saturday, April 24, 2010.

The open house hosted by his children takes place from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at 9877 Hwy. 45 in Nampa.

Meril and his wife, Carol, still live in Homedale, moving there in 1995 to farm. He retired from farming in 2007. He farmed in Nampa before moving to Homedale.

Meril was born in Buhl and attended St. Paul's School in Nampa before graduating from Nampa High School in 1958.

Meril and Carol have five chil-



Meril Ebbers
dren and eight grandchildren. He enjoys four-wheeling, snowmobiling and learning about Owyhee County and its history. For directions to the open house, call 467-4539.

Youth meet at library

The Warrior Series by author Erin Hunter is the inspiration for a "naming ceremony" at the next Tween and Teen gathering Tuesday at the Homedale Public Library.

Children will choose their warrior name by drawing from two different containers holding words from nature such as wind, rain or fire. Another drawing will decide which clan the warriors will be a part of.

The event open to boys and girls ages 10-17 and their parents runs from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

A book quiz will be held and there will be a door prize drawing and Survivor balloting. Popcorn will be served as a snack.

For more information, call the library at 337-4228 and ask for Sara, or e-mail her at homedalelibrarytweenteen@yahoo.com.

Dr. Seuss for Story Time

The library celebrates the 50th anniversary of the publication of the Dr. Seuss classic "Green Eggs and Ham" during Friday's Story Time at 10:15 a.m.

Published in 1960, it became the fourth-best-selling English-language children's hardcover book of all time, according to Publishers Weekly in a 2001 article.

The library invites folks to bring their children and grandchildren to enjoy the story and as well as singing, refreshments and a take-home craft.

For more information, call the library afternoons between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.

OCHS takes trip to JV on Saturday

The Owyhee County Historical Society's first field trip of the 2010 season takes place Saturday in Jordan Valley.

Participants will gather at Jordan Valley's city park at 10 a.m. Passenger cars are welcome because the trip will be confined to main roads.

The tour will include a visit to the ION Heritage Museum and area rancher Mike Hanley's private museum.

A potluck lunch is planned, so participants should bring a dish to share as well as table service, their own drinks and folding tables and chairs.

Call (208) 337-3312 or (208) 495-2634 for more information.

Other trips are planned throughout the spring and summer, with more details forthcoming:

- May 22 — Swan Falls Dam Open House
- June 19 — Bruneau, including historic sites in town and the Hall Ranch Museum
- July 17 — Flint Mine
- Aug. 28 — Duck Valley Reservation and Elko, Nev.
- Sept. 25 — Rowland Ranch

Drivers ed deadline nears

Young drivers-to-be need to sign up no later than Sunday for Homedale School District drivers education courses.

Parents dropping off forms at Homedale High or Middle School will have to do so by Friday. Online applications will be taken through Sunday.

Online registration is available at http://www.homedaleschools.org/Departments/driver_education.

Fun run added for Outpost Days

An appearance by cowboy poet and syndicated humor columnist Baxter Black isn't the only addition to the Murphy Outpost Days lineup this year.

Organizers plan to present a five-kilometer race and 3K fun run on Saturday, June 5, to kick off the main portion of the 41st annual Owyhee County Historical Society fundraiser in Murphy.

Race-day registration for the Outpost Days 5K and Fun Run will begin at 7:30 a.m. on June 5.

The race starts an hour later. The fun run is a three-kilometer contest. Early registration for the five-kilometer race, before May 1, is \$20. Regular registration between May 1 and June 1 is \$25, and race-day signup will cost \$30. Fun run registration is \$15.

The fee nets participants a packet that includes race entry, medals to placers, certificates for everyone who enters and T-shirts. Each runner will be served a free buckaroo breakfast after the event, too.

The course will include Rabbit Creek Road, which will be closed to traffic from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. the day of the event. The races will begin and end at the museum, with the 3K course stretching to the cattle pens and back, according to Couch.

The cost of the race has been covered by sponsorships, Couch said.

"We're really surprised at the interest in the race," Couch said, adding that he wasn't particularly thrilled with the idea when former county commissioner Dick

Reynolds suggested it.

But the concept of a foot race to raise money for the museum has grown on Couch.

"We're trying some new things to compensate for the bad economy," he said.

The Board of County Commissioners has adopted a resolution in support of the 5K and fun run.

Board chair Jerry Hoagland quipped that the county should "pass the hat" to come up with the entry fee for Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery, who is a road running enthusiast.

For more information about Outpost Days or the 5K and fun run, call the museum at (208) 495-2319.

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Life experiences shape teen’s call to volunteerism

Elizabeth Albor knows the people she helps very well. She has walked in their shoes.

The Homedale High School junior, who has been honored with the Violet Richardson Award from the Caldwell Soroptimists, is a tutor in an English as a Second Language class and a mentor in the Homedale Elementary after-school program.

Being an older member of her family sparks her responsibility, Albor said.

“Most people tell me I grew up pretty young since I was (one of the oldest) in the family,” she said. “I had to get my siblings up early in the morning for school.”

The drive borne of her upbringing has been noticed by the Caldwell Soroptimists with its annual award that recognizes a girl age 14-17 for volunteerism and efforts to improve her community.



Elizabeth Albor

Albor will receive a \$500 prize from the Caldwell chapter, and the Owyhee County 4-H program for which she volunteers will get \$250.

“It’s great: The money I get for myself and also the money for 4-H at the Extension Office in Marsing. It’s pretty exciting,” Albor said.

The recent HHS National Honor Society chapter inductee helps out the 4-H’s after-school program as part of the Homedale chapter of the Future Hispanic Leaders of America.

“She was commended by ... Carol Grassl of the Caldwell Soroptimists Club for her work assisting children in the Homedale School District’s after-school program,” HHS guidance counselor Kelly DeWitt said in an e-mail announcing Albor’s award.

Albor is now eligible for the \$1,000 regional award. The regional winner also secures \$1,000 for her volunteer group.

Albor filed an application of a 750-word essay describing the 4-H and her impact on the organization.



Homedale High School junior Elizabeth Albor helps first-grader Esmeralda Sanchez with a math problem after school at the elementary.

In addition to the responsibility she has looking after her younger siblings, the second-year FHLA vice-president has drawn on hearing about her father Jose’s experiences trying to learn English as motivation to tutor adults in English as Second Language night classes at Homedale Middle School.

“My dad always talked about the struggles he had to go through,

and I don’t want those people to go through what he had to go through or what my grandparents went through,” she said.

Elizabeth Albor learned how to write and speak English first and then returned to learn Spanish later. She taught herself how to write and speak her parents’ native language. Her mother is Teresa.

Family is also important in

17-year-old Albor’s connections with the Homedale Elementary after-school program, which is sponsored in part by the county 4-H. Her brother Omar, now a fifth-grader at HMS, and sister Graviela, an HHS freshman, both went through the program.

She tutors kindergarten through fourth-grade students in reading as part of the program of which she has been a part since fifth grade.

She said she found out about the Violet Richardson Award from county 4-H coordinator Judith McShane, and she acknowledged VISTA volunteer Barbie Vander Boegh for her help in completing the application.

While putting in several hours each week in volunteering — experience she hopes to shape into a career in social work — Albor holds down a 3.46 grade-point average.

“I like all the subjects,” she said. “I used to love math. I still do. I used to love English. Now I have Honors, so it’s challenging for me.”

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Homedale man gets three to 10 for DUI

Adrian Delgado Almaraz of Homedale was sentenced to 3 to 10 years in the state penitentiary for felony DUI last week. Almaraz’s sentence was suspended, and his driver’s license was suspended for five years. The court retained jurisdiction for 180 days, after which it will decide whether or not to commit Almaraz to the penitentiary.

Almaraz, 43, was cited by Homedale Police Officer Jeff Jensen on May 1.

Almaraz has had multiple convictions in the past, including aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, DUI, grand theft and assault in Owyhee County and battery, felony DUI, felony drug possession, DUI and robbery in Canyon County.

The case was heard before Third District Judge Gregory Culet.

Another Homedale resident, Osvaldo Pichardo, 31, was found guilty of misdemeanor excessive DUI. Pichardo, cited by Jensen in January, faces fees and fines of \$900. His license was suspended for one year, and he was given two years of probation. He must serve 30 days in jail or on the Sheriff’s Inmate Labor Detail. Magistrate Court Judge Dan C. Grober presided.

GOP candidates appear in Murphy

Politicians appearing on the May 25 Republican primary ballot are scheduled to attend a candidates night in Murphy next week.

The Republican Candidates Night is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28, inside Courtroom 1 in the Owyhee County Courthouse.

Local candidates will attend the meeting, including incumbent District 2 county Commissioner George Hyer and challengers Kelly Aberasturi and Mary Tibbett; District 3 county Commissioner Dick Freund and challenger Joe Merrick; and County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn and challenger Debbie Titus.

Other GOP candidates running unopposed are Treasurer Brenda Richards, Assessor Brent Endicott and Coroner Harvey Grimme.

The District 2 seat carries a four-year term, while the District 2 commissioner will serve a two-year term this time around. All other county offices carry four-year terms.

Candidates in state races also are expected to attend, including all three incumbents from Idaho legislative District 23 (23B Rep. Stephen Hartgen and 23A Rep. Jim Patrick as well as state Sen. Bert Brackett). Some other candidates for state races also may attend, organizers say.

Head Start signups taken

Families in need of food or medical aid, and which meet requirements, have an option to enroll in the Western Idaho Community Action Partnership (WICAP) program.

Children 3 to 5 years of age are eligible for health, nutrition and education services under WICAP. In some service areas, pregnant women and children from birth to age 3 are as well, according to a WICAP release issued April 15.

Children with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Families applying must provide documentation of income and their child’s birth.

Immunization records and medical card numbers are recommended, as well.

Enrollment priority is given to families that meet federal poverty guidelines, homeless families, children in foster care or on public assistance.

Owyhee County residents can call Head Start in Marsing at (208) 896-6041.

Canyon County residents can call the Wilder office at (208) 482-7223.

Homedale graduate wins another state title in welding

A Homedale High School graduate is heading back to a national competition for welding.

Idaho State University freshman Nestor Machuca earned a trip to Kansas City, Mo., in June after winning a gold medal at the SkillsUSA state conference April 8-9 in Boise.

Machuca, who won the state championship as an HHS senior in 2009, is continuing his education at the ISU College of Technology.

The national conference takes place June 20-25.

“It’s just awesome,” Machuca’s former Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency welding instructor, Mark Bauer, said.

Probation coffers fill at tax time

Technology has helped lower county juvenile detention costs

The Owyhee County Probation Office reports that its monthly restitution revenue has more than doubled from \$1,173.35 in December to \$2,361 in March.

Jewett said restitution payments traditionally spike around the time folks start receiving income tax refunds.

Jewett made her second monthly report to the Board of County Commissioners on April 6. In her first report on March 2, she showed that the probation office had collected \$2,893.22 in restitution in February, a 146.5 percent increase over December. The restitution payments curtailed slightly in March, but still topped out at \$2,361.

While restitution is up, detention days continue to dwindle.

The probation department reported only three juvenile detention days in March, down from five in February. February’s detention days were 76.2 percent fewer than the 21 served in January.

Fewer detention days mean less cost to housing costs paid to the Southwest Idaho Juvenile Detention Center in Caldwell.

The probation office’s detention costs have dropped dramatically in the past few years because of an increase in monitoring technology, which Jewett said has lessened the need for sending juveniles across the river to the detention center.

“There are more advanced technological things available to use at home for kids, like GPS and sobrieters,” Jewett said. “There are just things that we can use that are a lot less expensive.”

County probation currently pays a \$500 monthly reservation fee to the detention center, whether a Owyhee juvenile is housed there or not. When an inmate is housed there, the probation office pays \$95 per day.

Steve Jett, the director of the center, told county commissioners last week that Owyhee County spent \$27,225.73 in 2009 for 223.44 detention days. Owyhee juveniles accounted for 1.35 percent of the bedspace in 2009, Jett said.

He also said that a new proposal will do away with the monthly reservation fee while boosting the daily fee to \$130. Under the new plan, Jett told commissioners on April 6, Owyhee County would pay \$29,047.20 for the same 223.44 detention days.

But the county’s use of the detention center seems to be on the decline if the first three months of 2010 is any indication.

Jewett said that technology has helped out as the money allocated for detention by the commissioners has shrunk. The probation office’s detention budget was upwards of \$70,000 in 2002, she said. Today, it’s only \$20,000, forcing innovative ideas such as ankle monitors.

“In some ways, it’s better because with a homebound kid you can do a week of something at home that you would spend a day in detention,” Jewett said of the changing face of punishment. “But it also takes away some of that fear of you’re going to detention if you’re a juvenile and you do something.”

Overall, monthly juvenile detention costs have plummeted from a high of \$8,000 in 2003 to about \$1,000 per month thus far in 2010. Probationers spent only five days in detention in February, down from 21 days in January.

Most juveniles don’t go to the detention center. Jewett outlined punishment for the Homedale students recently nabbed for

possessing drugs on campus. The middle school students who brought marijuana onto school grounds were tutored by a teacher at the probation office during their discipline, while the students expelled or suspended in the high school’s prescription drug abuse crackdown have been providing janitorial services for the probation office.

Jewett said the tutor was compensated by the school district, and that suspended students are called in to do community service through the probation office rather than spend the day at home.

Other juveniles recently have cleaned up roadsides under the supervision of Homedale Mayor Harold Wilson.

Jewett also pointed out that probation caseloads have risen in the past year. The number of juvenile and misdemeanor probation cases handled by she and her officers in January was higher than the same time in 2009. According to a chart provided by Jewett, the department handled more than 30 juvenile cases in January 2009, and that number shot up to nearly 60 this January. Adult cases increased similarly, from more than 140 in January 2009 to nearly 180 two months ago.

The new probation office is “warm and wonderful”, Jewett reported. The Owyhee County officer for Third District Probation and Parole has taken up office space in the building at the corner of Second Street and West Idaho Avenue in Homedale, she said.

County officers also set up probation visits at the Marsing annex and the Grand View Fire station, she said.

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Marsing to celebrate city water project’s end with ceremony

Dignitaries and residents will have a chance to bask in the completion of the City of Marsing’s \$3.6 million water project on Thursday. The event is slated for 9 a.m. at the new booster station

located at 230 8th Ave. W., just across the street from the Marsing schools. It will include the public and representatives from funding organizations, which include the City of Marsing, Idaho Depart-

ment of Environmental Quality, Idaho Department of Commerce, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Rural Development branch.

Owyhee River to see spring cleaning

The Indianhead Flyfishers are hosting their annual Owyhee River Clean-Up on Saturday. The yearly event includes Indianhead Flyfishers club members and any others wishing to lend a hand and help keep the world-class fishery clean. As in past years, a dozen or so pieces of labeled “planted trash”

will win finders prizes, organizers said. Volunteers and members will meet at the Wildlife Viewing Area off Owyhee Lake Road at 9 a.m. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. Trash-hunters will then head upstream, cleaning the river banks to the dam.

The cleanup is expected to be complete by noon, and will be followed by a lunch at the park below the Owyhee Dam. The Flyfishers welcome any donations to assist with the project. For more information or to make a donation, contact Lynette Jones at (208) 550-2264.

Marsing carnival on tap this month

The annual Marsing School Carnival, “Reaching for the Future”, takes place Friday, April 30. The event takes place from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the common area between Marsing Elementary School and the Marsing schools cafeteria. It’s a fundraiser for the town’s three schools. Games and food will be available. The Sevy Band will provide music. Activities include a dunk tank, face painting, fishing, a duck pond, Pin the Tail on the Donkey and football and basketball

tosses presented by the Marsing High School football team and coach Jamie Wood. Steer roping, a cake walk and bingo also will be offered. Tickets will be sold for the games. Food items include a nacho and baked potato bar, pizza, hamburgers and hot dogs. There also will be a dessert and ice cream booth and a fruit bar. Food and ticket prices will be announced later, organizers said. For more information, call Ken Price at 896-4111, ext. 499 or Leslie Jayo at 250-2088.

Federal sage-grouse announcement offers little clarity

The April 13 announcement by the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on a “far-reaching agreement” to support conservation of sage-grouse has left those in 11 western states with more questions than answers. Those on the ground in Idaho are actively seeking answers from Washington D.C. as to what, if

anything, the pronouncement means. The announcement by Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and Interior Secretary Ken Salazar included language like “This agreement gives us a framework to prevent further habitat fragmentation and undertake other conservation efforts in partnership with states, tribes, private land-

owners and other stakeholders”. It went on to add “The agreement ensures beneficial and consistent actions for conservation of greater sage-grouse habitat and provides a collaborative framework for states and private landowners.” In other words, the NRCS and USFWS have agreed to talk about talking about sage-grouse. Nate Fisher, administrator for

the state Office of Species Conservation, said he is headed to the nation’s capital in hopes of glean- ing some measure of guidance on the issue. “We are in the same quandary as you, in that we glean very little from this pronouncement,” Fisher said. “My attorney, Tom Perry, and I are going back to D.C. in two weeks in an effort to figure

out the path forward; if there is no path forward from back there, then we will create it on our own in Idaho.” Fisher has organized meetings with the counsel for the Department of the Interior, the USFWS, the Bureau of Land Management and the NRCS. “(W)e really hope for group thinking and solid direction,” he said.

“Our concern about the NRCS money currently available is it is on a cost-share basis and on a short timeline,” Fisher said of funding for projects. “I really do not know at this time what amount of response they will receive. In the meantime, we will continue to fund projects deemed valuable by the Local Working Groups, and continue to develop Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances (CCAAs), similar to the one we developed in the Weiser area. This will provide ‘acknowledgeable’ conservation benefits, while providing protection for farmers and ranchers.” Future plans may include a sage-grouse summit to develop an Idaho strategy with landholders, Fisher said. There should be time to organize effective strategies, independently of pronouncements from D.C., Fisher explained. “With the recent decision (on the sage-grouse as an endangered species) as ‘Warranted but Precluded’, it should allow us a year or two of getting good conservation benefits on to the ground,” he said. — MML

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Adrian actors go “Hillbillies”

The Adrian High School Drama Club presents three performances of “The Beverly Hillbillies” this week. Admission is \$5 for ages 5 and older any night. Performances will begin at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. For more information, call (541) 372-2335.

Cowboys and cowgirls ride the western trail



Riders during last year's Cowboy Trail Ride. Submitted photo

Members of the Wilson Butte 4-H club are planning their seventh annual Cowboy Trail Ride and Fun Run, on Saturday. Registration for the fundraising event will begin at 9:30 a.m., and riders can hit the trail up to 11 a.m. The ride is approximately 2½ hours long around the Blackstock Ranch. Organizers say this trail gives the riders the opportunity to get out and ride their horse on an actual trail.

"Some challenging obstacles are placed along the way, but these are optional to the horse and rider," organizers said in a release. "Everyone has fun and enjoys the

western day."

There will be three top prizes for fun run winners and a chance to win other raffle items. Entry fee is \$15, which includes the ride, fun run, lunch and western entertainment. Horseless riders are also welcome to join in and swap stories around the campfire as cowpokes return for lunch with buckaroo beans, country harmony with the Sevy Family Band and the best-dressed little buckaroo contest for age 9 and younger.

A stick horse rodeo is also scheduled this year. For further information, call the W.B. Trail Boss at 896-4512 or 467-4250.

Reynolds Creek 4-H elects officers



The new Reynolds Creek 4-H club officers include, from left, sergeant-at-arms Klay Smith, treasurer Wyatt Helm, secretary Sage Jolley, vice-president Anneliese Helm and president Randi Romans. Submitted photo



Fine-tuning fair skills

Sarah Fuller helps instruct 42 young cattle-showers-to-be at the 4-H and FFA Better Beef Cattle Clinic at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds on Saturday. The turnout pleased Tom Leppert, who organized the event. Previous years, hosted in Canyon County, saw 30 or so participants, he said.



Homedale FFA members Tell Hyer, left, and Casey Christoffersen catch a sturgeon in a gurney at the Idaho State University fish hatchery in Pocatello. Submitted photo

Homedale FFA wins silver and bronze at annual convention

Submitted by Homedale FFA

The Homedale FFA Chapter attended the 79th annual State Leadership Convention, April 7-10 at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

The chapter had the opportunity to tour the CSI Fish Hatchery on the morning of April 8. The members learned about raising sturgeon and rainbow trout. The hatchery also allowed students to catch the eight-foot sturgeon in "gurneys" for analysis.

Kaitlyn Amos did an excellent job on this year's chapter scrapbook, which took a bronze at State.

Ali McRae and Caitlyn Johnson both received their State FFA Degrees.

Casey Christoffersen, Esteban Lejardi, Clay Johnson and Katie Eaton were on the Farm Business Management team and finished eighth.

Mark Williams and Kyle Purdom took silver for the National Chapter Award.

Carmen Zatica, Katie Eaton and Gabby Nash placed 14th for the floral team.

Fletcher Kelly, Katie Price, and Kaylee Rupp were on the Landscaping team and placed 16th.

The Horse team was Bodie Hyer, Lane Matteson, Kolbie Gerdes and Cole Twedt. Deena Emry was on the Nomination Committee that selected this year's state officer team. D.J.

Vermeer and Shelby Lee also served as delegates by voting on state and national issues for the Homedale chapter.

Students also had the opportunity to listen to numerous inspirational speakers, attend workshops and, of course, race go-karts.

A big thank you to Andrea McRae for chaperoning and Devra Christoffersen for being our bus driver and also a chaperone. The trip was funded through the Harvest Auction donors. The Homedale FFA Chapter would like to thank the Homedale community for all the support and encouragement. Through your continued support, we are able to represent Homedale on a state level.



South Mtn. 4-H's start another year

South Mountain Livestock 4-H club members include, from left, Garrett Youren, Bryce Kershner, Kort Skinner, Regann Skinner, Stephanie Youren and Kasen Skinner. Submitted photo

South Mountain Livestock 4-H news

Submitted by Teresa Kershner and Chris Elsner

The South Mountain Livestock 4-H club had its first club meeting Feb. 22. Enrollments were filled out and dues paid. We welcomed new member Kort Skinner.

The kids were asked why they wanted to be in 4-H. The No. 1 response was, "I like animals and want to work and learn about them", followed by being with

friends during the summer and making new ones at the fair and, of course, to make money.

We watched a movie on the ethical treatment of animals that was provided by the Extension Office then had a discussion.

Our beef weigh-in came on the first warm day of spring, March 7, at the Gluch Ranch. We would like to thank Todd Gluch for the use of his scale and chute. Todd

is a great help to our club.

We weighed in five steers, one heifer project and one FFA steer. The animals were all fairly calm, and it looked like some already had a good start on feed.

We are all looking forward to this new 4-H year. Our next meeting will be in April when we'll elect officers and plan out what needs to be done to complete projects.

Araujo signs with Montana Western

Marsing Lions football signups open April 30

Avalanche Sports

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2010

Joltin’ Jarvis drives Trojans to wins over Melba, M-D

Flurry of extra-base hits sparks two-game win streak

Jordan Jarvis carried a big stick last week, helping himself and his Homedale High School baseball teammates.

The transfer from the Caldwell area ripped a double and a triple as part of a three-hit performance Friday as the Trojans (6-11 overall, 2-2 conference at week’s end) picked up their second consecutive victory with a 16-6 3A Snake River Valley conference rout of visiting McCall-Donnelly.

The right-handed pitcher kicked off the winning streak Thursday with his arm and his bat in Homedale’s 17-6 come-from-behind non-conference win over visiting Melba. He had six hits in the Trojans’ final two games of the week.

Friday: Homedale 16, McCall-Donnelly 6 (5) — Jarvis and sophomore Trey Corta had three hits each in an easy outing paced by nine strikeouts from left-handed starter Jose Gonzalez.

Thursday: Homedale 17, Melba 6 (6) — Jarvis started and ended an eight-run mercy rule-inducing uprising in the sixth inning at home.

He led off the sixth with a

double and then closed the rally with a two-run home run. He finished the game 3-for-4 with three runs scored. On the mound, he limited Melba to five hits and picked up the victory.

Homedale surged ahead in the fifth inning of a contest that had started a seesaw affair.

Cody Lynde and Jose Gonzalez laced RBI singles, and two other runs scored on errors as the Trojans posted four runs in the fifth to complete a comeback against the visiting Mustangs.

Melba committed 10 errors in the contest, and two Mustang pitcher surrendered 12 hits.

The Mustangs took a 2-1 lead with two runs in the second inning when Tucker Earles smacked a two-run single.

The Trojans tied the game, 3-3, in the bottom of the third when Corta scored one of his three runs in the game and Jonny Stacey picked up one of his three RBI with a single.

Corta, Stacey, Gonzalez and Timmy Scott collected two hits each.

April 13: Fruitland 13, Homedale 0 (5) — Corta led off the game with a single to account



Jordan Jarvis stacked up the batting gold against McCall-Donnelly and Melba on Thursday and Friday, with both games coming to a halt under the mercy rule.

for the Trojans’ only hit against two Grizzlies pitchers in a 3A Snake River Valley conference loss in Fruitland.

Daulton Blackwell struck out five in four innings, and Reed

Johnson fanned two of the three batters he faced in the fifth for Fruitland.

Only seven of the 13 runs Fruitland scored against Gonzalez were earned as Homedale

committed six errors.

Ryan Wright and Matt Erskine scored three runs each for the Grizzlies. Designated hitter Miguel Rios went 3-for-3 with a double.

Acree, D’Alessio take top spots at Homedale Invite



The weather cooperated despite threatening clouds on April 13 as high school tracksters took the field for the Homedale Invitational.

Senior Trent Acree was the brightest star in the Trojans’ firmament for the boys, posting a first in the 100-meter dash (11.16 seconds), the 200-meter dash (23.4), and the long jump (19 feet, 4¼ inches).

Nickole D’Alessio ruled the field events for the Trojan girls, winning both the shot and the discus with throws of 35-3 and 119-3, respectively. Teammate Vanessa Sanchez took fifth in the shot with a 29-9 effort.

Freshman Braxton Morris was the top hurler for Homedale, placing sixth in both the shot and discus.

Sophomore Seth Bayes took

second in the triple jump with a 37-6½ and a sixth in the high jump with a 5-2.

On the track, Homedale boys took third in the 800-meter sprint medley with a 4:14.10 time from the team of Greg Monreal, Randy Aguilera, Alphonso Barbosa and Nate Perry.

Jack Murray, Danny Magdaleno, Seth Bayes and Salvadore Cardenas ran a 1:48.24 4x200 for fifth place. In the 4x400, Homedale posted a 4:09.63 fourth place with Acree, Aaron Proferes, Salvador Cardenas and Magdaleno.

Kaitlin Garcia posted a third in the girls’ 200 with a 28.66, 1.15 seconds off Fruitland sprinter Sarah Moore’s first-place effort.

In the girls’ 100 hurdles, freshman Samantha Christofferson took fifth with a 18.22. She also

took fifth in the 300 hurdles with a 57.63.

Homedale finished fifth in the girls’ 4x400 relay, run by Rebecca Coffman, Mariah Mackie, Kindra Galloway and Garcia. The team finished with a 4:49.62.

The Trojans finished fifth on the boys’ side, and tied for sixth among girls, in competition against Weiser, Fruitland, Nampa Christian, Tri-Valley, Vale and Council.

Team results:

Boys: 1, Weiser (142); 2, Fruitland (136); 3, Nampa Christian (120); 4, Tri-Valley (64); 5, Homedale (53); 6, Vale (24); 7, Council (17)

Girls: 1, Nampa Christian (150); 2, Fruitland (105); 3, Vale (79); 4, Tri-Valley (72); 5, Weiser (71); 6, Homedale (37) and Council (37)

Trent Acree, right, focuses before his 100-meter dash win at last week’s Homedale Invitational track meet. Acree also finished first in the 200 and the long jump.

Paw P.A.C.K. banquet slated: Shea McClellin to speak

The Marsing Paw P.A.C.K. (Parents And Community caring for our Kids) boosters are setting the table for the first Athletic Awards Banquet on May 5. The event, designed to be an annual one, will be held at the Marsing schools cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. sharp, a release warned, and

the event’s guest speaker will be Boise State University football player Shea McClellin. Awards will be presented at 8 p.m.

McClellin, a 6-foot-3, 262-

pound defensive end for the Broncos, is also a Marsing graduate and played as a linebacker for the Huskies. He will be entering his junior year

at BSU this fall.

For more information on the event, call Marsing athletic director Tim Little at 896-4111 (ext. 291)

Sports

Raiders record-setter to play in college

Araujo latest to go through Rimrock-UMW pipeline

For the second year in a row, a Rimrock High School football player has committed to compete at the next level.

Record-setting senior Ricardo Araujo signed a letter of intent to attend the University Montana Western earlier this month, according to Raiders coach Jim Clark.

“Playing college football was always a dream for Ricardo, and now that dream will be a reality on the campus of the University of Montana Western,” Clark, a Montana-Western alum, said.

Araujo is the son of Martin and Linda Araujo of Grand View.

Araujo started at running back his first three seasons on Rimrock’s campus in Bruneau. He took over quarterback duties as a senior 2009 after TJ Snyder signed to play for Montana-Western.

Clark said that Araujo had received interest from Montana-Western, Rocky Mountain College in Montana and the College of the Redwoods, a junior college in

Northern California.

Araujo was a first-team All-1A Western Idaho Conference quarterback last year and a first-team running back as a sophomore in 2007. He was the second-team all-conference running back in 2008.

He rushed for single-season school-record 1,899 yards from the quarterback position last year and was named the team’s player of the year. Other Araujo records include 383 rushing yards in a single game and 27 touchdowns in a single season.

He also played a big part in Rimrock’s all-time high 72 points in a win over Wilder.

“Ricardo and his hard work has meant a lot to the Rimrock football program and as well as myself individually,” Clark said. “Ricardo is leaving some massive shoes to fill for the Raiders come next season, and it will take an amazing athlete to do so.”

Araujo racked up 5,990 yards and scored 77 touchdowns in his four-year high school career.

He is continuing his athletic pursuits on the baseball diamond this spring for Rimrock. He hit a three-run home run in the bottom of the seventh inning April 5 to send the Raiders to a 3-2 home victory over Horseshoe Bend.



Ricardo Araujo will head to the University of Montana Western

Adrian Antelopes lead local schools at Parma Invite

Seventeen high schools met on April 14 for the Parma Invitational; among them Rimrock, Marsing and Adrian. Of the local contenders, Adrian posted the highest team totals, finishing 13th on the boys’ side and tying with Ontario for sixth among girls. Overall, the girls from all three schools outdid their male counterparts, who netted no top-five finishes.

Adrian senior Ranea Orosco had the best individual day, finishing second in the 100-meter hurdles (at 17.26), second in the 300 hurdles (51.69) and first in the long jump with a 15 feet 6½ inch effort. Her teammate Katie Bowns nabbed second in the last event with a 15-6¼ jump.

Nike Kuhn, Adrian junior, took fifth in the 400 with a 1:08.02 time.

Marsing sophomore Deidrie Briggs finished third in the 800

with a 2:43.

Katie Johnson finished fourth in the 3,200 with a 14:02 for the Raiders.

In addition to Orosco’s top-five finish, Adrian junior sprinter Madison Shira placed fourth in the 300 hurdles with a 53.56.

Marsing senior Mayra Rodriguez placed fifth in the discus with a 90-7 throw. She also took eighth in the shot.

Rimrock Raider Anna Cantrell placed fourth in the high jump with a 4-6 effort.

Shira placed fourth in the triple jump with a 29-6.

Parma Invite team totals:

Boys: 1, Payette (130); 2, Ontario (100); 3, Parma (86); 4, Melba (84); 5, New Plymouth (74); 6, Cascade (54); 7, Liberty Charter (43); 8, Idaho City (40); 9, Greenleaf Friends Academy

Girls: 1, Parma (137.5); 2, New Plymouth (123); 3, Payette (96); 4, Melba (74.5); 5, Idaho City (60.5); 6, Adrian (52); 6, Ontario (52.5); 8, Liberty Charter (37); 9, Marsing (14); 9, Horseshoe Bend (14); 11, Cascade (11); 11, Rimrock (11.5); 13, Greenleaf Friends Academy (6); 13, Notus (6.5); 15, Victory Charter (3)

Payette edges Trojans golfers at River Bend

Hayden Krzesnik was one shot off the medalist’s pace Wednesday in a 3A Snake River Valley conference golf meet in Wilder.

The freshman’s 3-over-par 39 led Homedale High School to a second-place finish, three shots behind Payette at River Bend Golf Course. Reed Maggard, another ninth-grader, shot a 4-over 40 for Homedale’s second-best round.

“I’m very happy with Hayden and Reed. They are both freshmen but really showing they can play at this level,” first-year HHS coach Greg Kilmer said.

Brice Boudreaux wrapped up the medalist title with a 2-over 38 as none of his Payette teammates scored higher than 44.

Payette has surged in the conference season, giving Kilmer

a clear idea of the path that lies ahead for the Trojans.

“Now we need everyone to step up and play like they can. District is coming up at Payette (Scotch Pines Golf Course, May 13), so we’re going to have to beat them at their own joint,” the coach said. “I think we can do exactly that if we can play like we can.”

Reece Landa turned in a 45, and Brett Ryska carded a 47.

JV boys: Homedale finishes fourth — Nick Ryska scored a 50 at River Bend as the Trojans finished two shots behind third-place McCall-Donnelly. Cole Twedt carded a 54 for Homedale.

Led by medalist Gabi Saldivar’s 45 and Garrick Woods’ 46, Weiser ran away with the team crown with a 186.

TROJAN SPRING SPORTS

Baseball

Varsity
Friday, April 23 at Weiser, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 27 at Payette, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, April 23, home vs. Weiser, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 27, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.

Softball

Varsity
Friday, April 23 at Weiser, 5 p.m.
Saturday, April 24, home vs. Nampa, 11 a.m.
Tuesday, April 27 at Payette, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity
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Golf

Varsity
Monday, April 26 at 3A Snake River Valley conference match, McCall, 3 p.m.

Junior varsity
Monday, April 26 at 3A Snake River Valley conference match, McCall, 3 p.m.

Tennis

Thursday, April 22 at Fruitland, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, April 27 at Payette, 4 p.m.

Track & field

Friday, April 23 at Emmett
Tuesday, April 27 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, Fruitland

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Sports

Meligan motors to tennis victory, team ties Nampa

Junior Jordan Meligan cruised in the No. 2 boys' singles match Thursday, but Homedale High School fell in 3A Snake River Valley conference action. Meligan's 6-0, 6-1 victory wasn't enough to spark the Trojans, who lost, 9-3, to host Weiser. Homedale's top mixed doubles team, Dominic Christiansen and Elizabeth Baltierrez, rallied from a first-set loss for a 2-6, 6-4, 6-2 victory. Homedale's other win came when top-seeded boys'

singles player Tanner Lair drew a forfeit. **April 7: Homedale 6, Nampa 6** — The Trojans swept the boys' singles ladder to pick up half of their victories in a non-conference stalemate in Canyon County. Tanner Lair, Jordan Meligan and Zach Mereness picked up straight-set victories. Homedale also swept the girls' doubles matches with the teams of Rebecka Krasko and Sarah Maggard and Megan Barazza and Elizabeth Baltierrez prevailing.



Jordan Meligan picked up wins against his opponents from both Weiser and Nampa Christian High School, though the Wolverines took the match 9-3, and Nampa Christian split 6-6 with Homedale.

Marsing Lions youth football signups set

Signups for the Marsing Lions Optimist Football and Cheerleading program will open soon. The league is open to children ages 7-12. Early registration opportunities will take place from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. April 30 at the carnival at Marsing Elementary School and from 10 a.m. to noon on May 15 at the Marsing High School football field. Early registration costs \$50 for the first child in a family and \$40 for each sibling. The final chance to sign up is

from 10 a.m. to noon on June 12 on the MHS field. The entry fee increases to \$60 for the initial child and \$50 per sibling. Signup forms also are available at the In The Grind espresso shop on Main Street. Registration fees won't be due until the first practice on Aug. 9. The season starts with an Aug. 21 jamboree at Bronco Stadium, and the seven-game season begins Aug. 28. For more information, call Jim King at 941-0134 or Sarah Grossman at 908-1773.

HTAA to discuss sports and funds

Homedale sports families and fans are invited to the Homedale Trojan Athletic Association meeting on Monday to help chart a course for athletics as school funding shrinks following the economic downturn. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Homedale High School library. "As everyone knows, we are under some very trying circumstances in our school district, along with every school district in the state of Idaho," Homedale athletic director David Hart said in a release last week. "Revenue from the state of Idaho and the Federal government has been greatly reduced. We know that the community of Homedale will step up and help every way possible. We need our HTAA to be leaders in this effort." How the HTAA and the community can play a vital role in the Homedale School District's athletic and extra-curricular ac-

tivities will be a subject of discussion at the upcoming meeting, Hart said. The meeting will see the financial report for the HTAA and information on district tournaments, too. Roundtable discussions are planned to address the community's role in athletic needs, as well as the role of coaches. Hart can be contacted at Homedale High School at 337-4613.

Youth bowling champs honored

Scholarship awards were handed out Saturday for the Jim Watkins Memorial Tournament for youth bowlers. Linda Watkins, the widow of the youth bowling booster, presented the awards six days after the tournament was held at Owyhee Lanes in Homedale. A Wilder resident, Jim Watkins died in November. David Clampitt won two titles in the April 11 tournament. He teamed with Danny Gomez for a doubles championship with a 1,260-pin total and won the senior singles title with a 641-pin total. Josh Waller racked up 609 pins to take home the junior singles crown. Linda Watkins was instrumental in getting the tournament rolling, the youth bowlers organization said in a press release: "Homedale Youth Bowlers are

humbled and appreciative that she chose our program to establish a memorial tournament. The scholarship funds were provided by memorial gifts to establish this tournament for youth in honor of Jim." A former police officer in Southern California, Jim Watkins was an avid bowler at Owyhee Lanes. **Final results** **Senior singles** — 1. David Clampitt, 641; 2. Calab Oviedo, 594; 3. Danny Gomez, 566 **Junior singles** — 1. Josh Waller, 609; 2. Dana McGee, 597; 3. Fletcher Kelly, 584 **Doubles** — 1. Gomez-Clampitt, 1,260; 2. Hannah Radford and Katelynn Bernal, 1,204; 3. Oviedo and David Christensen, 1,199

MARSING
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SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULE

Baseball

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Tuesday, April 27, home vs. Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.

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Tuesday, April 27 at Nampa Christian, 4 p.m.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

April 24, 1985

New ball diamond planned

Homedale will have a new ball diamond, possibly in time for the first games of summer, announced Mayor Paul Fink.

The diamond will be located on the south side of the public swimming pool at Riverside Park. The National Guard is anticipated to start leveling the ground by the first of May, said Fink. Many of the Guardsmen on the project will travel to Homedale to work during the week. The city will use their grader and dump truck. Some fill dirt from along U.S. Highway 95 will be carried to fill any depressions in the field. Guard equipment would be brought from Nampa’s golf course project.

Homedale’s application for young workers from the Southwest Idaho Industry Council has been accepted, Fink said. One way they can help is landscaping the ridge near the baseball field, raking the area and planting grass. While the field will probably remain as bare dirt during the summer, grass seed would be planted in the fall for next season.

Some of the improvements to the diamond, such as underground sprinklers, hinges on whether Homedale will receive Revenue Sharing monies from the Federal Government this year, said Fink. The Revenue Sharing has existed for several years to help pay for one-time capital expenses, but its future looks dim at this point. Some funds for grass seed could be derived from the City Parks and Recreation Fund, said Fink.

History of Homedale area detailed at library meeting

A series of interesting facts about Homedale’s history was presented on Wednesday in conjunction with National Library Week. Librarian Celia Heady stressed that anyone with information or historic articles about Homedale should consider bringing them into the library for posterity.

Dorothy Aldrich was the first of several speakers to relate her days in Homedale. The Snake River was the major barrier to the formation of the town, separating the Homedale side from Central Cove, she said. In 1898, Jacob Mussell and his family built the ferry that would start the town rolling. Dorothy said her family moved to the town in 1970. In 1913, the Gem Irrigation District allowed water into ditches and the fertile land around Homedale began to produce acres of crops. The arrival of the railroad in 1914 completed Homedale’s connection with neighboring towns.

Around that time, the first schoolhouse was constructed, an important feature in the town, Dorothy said. The first teacher had numerous “skirmishes” with the boys in the class and finally didn’t return after Christmas break. Miss Edith Wilson took over the class and earned the respect of the kids. The original school was finally replaced, as it was propped up by three poles to keep it from falling over.

Aldrich was asked if the Mussell house was at the location of the present Homedale bridge. She said the house was a large affair, near a slough behind Greenway Tractor. Sherman Mussell was the postal clerk and would pass letters from a window in a cupola on the house.

Homedale harvest festival being planned for this fall

A celebration that would involve the towns of Homedale, Marsing and Wilder, and show some of the special attributes of the area is anticipated for the weekend of September 14 in Homedale.

Cheyne Weston, owner of the Weston Winery at Sunny Slope, appeared at the Homedale Chamber of Commerce on April 16. Towns such as Hailey or McCall have attracted visitors for several years through festivals that include music, foods and wine sampling, said Weston. Suggestions for the tri-city festival would feature a Dutch oven cook-off with samples for passers-by, perhaps a barbeque, local musicians, Basque dancers, wine and cheese sampling from local wineries and a canoe race from Marsing to Homedale.

50 years ago

April 21, 1960

Candidates file petitions for primary race

A Democratic primary race for state senate shaped up this week as incumbent Arlie Parkins filed his petition Monday to succeed himself.

Earl Bachman, filed for the post last week. Mr. Bachman, who has lived in the Oreana-Triangle area since 1902, said here Saturday that he is strictly against a sales tax. He also does not favor consolidation of school districts against the wishes of the patrons of small districts.

Bill Kershner, Homedale police chief, has filed for the Democratic nomination for sheriff.

Several additional filings are expected by Saturday, the last day, Pat Muller, Wilson incumbent commissioner from the 1st district, is expected to file again on the Democratic ticket, and he may be opposed in the primary by Ivan Nanney, Jr., Opaline, who was also a candidate for the nomination two years ago.

Only announced Republican candidates to file so far are Al Barberis, Murphy, who again seeks the office of sheriff, and A. E. (Spud) Murphy, Homedale, who will oppose incumbent Kenneth Downing for 2nd district commissioner.

Adam H. (Ted) Blackstock, former Republican state senator, is expected to file again for that post, and it has been rumored that Norman MacKenzie, Jordan Valley, former Republican commissioner of the 1st district, will file again.

Carl Agenbroad, Bruneau Republican, is a holdover as commissioner of the 3rd district, and Nick Ihli, Murphy Democrat, is holdover county clerk.

Census taking nearly finished in Owyhee County

Mrs. Frank Ireton, Marsing census crew leader for this area, said Tuesday that the census in Owyhee County is nearly complete. Enumerators are being checked out and the reports should be finished by the end of this week.

Baseball team will play Notus here April 22

The baseball team will play Notus here April 22 and Marsing there April 26.

Bruce Bergeson hit a home run and triple here Tuesday afternoon to lead the Homedale Trojans to a 7-5 victory over the Middleton Vikings.

The Homedale Trojans were defeated 7-6 Wednesday, April 13, by the Adrian high school baseball team. The game was the SRV-B league opener for both clubs.

Homedale got four hits, six runs and three errors to Adrian’s 12 hits, seven runs and five errors.

Dick Frazier pitched three strike-outs for the Trojans.

Mayor Soper inducted into Kiwanis club

Discussion of several items occupied the Homedale Kiwanis club at its regular Wednesday noon meeting at El Gavilan. Leonard Wilson, vice-president, presided.

Mayor Orville Soper was inducted into the club by Dr. George Wolff. Leonard Wilson was awarded a red circle of distinction for obtaining a new member.

Citizen of the week

Felisa Echevarria, treasurer of the Gem Irrigation district, was born in Boise June 6, 1920. She moved with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Echevarria, to Cascade at the age of two. After graduating from Cascade high school, she attended the University of Idaho at Moscow for a year.

In 1943 the family moved to Homedale where her father worked for John Archabal. They bought a farm southwest of town in 1949 and Miss Echevarria lived with them there until last year when she purchased a home in town.

Miss Echevarria has been treasurer of the Gem district for the past 16 years, is secretary of the PTA, past president and past secretary of the American Legion auxiliary, was district secretary of the American Legion auxiliary, is now serving as chairman of the child welfare and rehabilitation committee of the legion auxiliary and has served in this capacity for the past three years.

144 years ago

April 21, 1866

PLANT TREES. The snow is fast disappearing and already vegetation is showing signs of renewed growth here in the mountains. Growing trees and shrubbery recently stood where Ruby and Silver now stand, and by planting others it would soon be so again. There is not a tree in Silver proper and only one in Ruby and that on a back street. There is nothing so beautiful, adorns and renders attractive towns or cities as shade trees, shrubbery and flowers. They promote the contentment of residents and induce settlement. Though dumb, they speak volumes to travelers in favor of those who planted and nurtured them. They increase the value of property and invite purchasers. They welcome the joyful warblers of the air and cast a cheerful look all round. The scorching rays of summer sun are broken and the shade is a luxury to the laborer, idler or the “man of ease.” The repulsive and parched aspect of mountain towns is changed to attraction by profusion of shrubbery and flowers. Their fragrances render even the air delightful. A network of green foliage surrounding a cottage makes it almost a practical resource for the weary in mind or body. Will our readers here and elsewhere profit by our suggestions to select trees, shrubs and flowers, and plant and cultivate them round their homes? The work and expense will be light compared to the benefit to which will surely follow. A trial and failure would do no injury and a success would be charming.

PASSING through the foothills along Sinker Creek from the Owyhee Mountains to Snake River, gives one an impression of the sublime in Nature — if not rushed through on foot under a pack of fifty to one hundred pounds encouraged by ye noble red men. Emerging from the snow line, one mile further down the grass is green and from four to twelve inches in height, trees and shrubs are donning their new apparel of green, and flowers are blooming. Trees of any size are few and only found in the gulches or along streams. Along the creeks are willows, balm of Gilead or a species of cottonwood, alder, elder, choke cherry, wild currant and gooseberry bushes — the latter in bloom. A little sagebrush, some grasswood and a plentiful supply of bunch grass cover the hills. In many places the soil is very rich, but in more equally poor. A goodly supply of small streams course through the country which is strangely and deeply cut up with gorges and ravines. The peaks around the Sinker Creek mills are very high — at a rough guess at least five hundred feet, and in many places marked by abrupt declivities. The true loftiness of the snow-clad peaks of Owyhee is best appreciated by a view from Sinker Cañon.

THE N.Y. & O.F. MILL – A.N. Grenzelack, Sup’t – is located in the junction of two branches of Sinker Creek, and about four miles from War Eagle Mt. Independent of its distance from timber and quartz, the site is charming – and probably all things considered good in every respect. The mill is nearly ready to raise steam, and but for the want of rod iron and other small items, would now be completed. It is a ten-stamper, iron batteries, Varney pans, with extra means for saving quicksilver and metal. We took a careful view of the mill and its appurtenances, and find it to be constructed for convenience and solidity. The batteries, tanks and pans are put up with as much care and mechanical ability as any we have ever see. The company expect to have quartz at no distant day. The Superintendent is on his way and probably will arrive ere this sees lights.

MEAT COMING. Mr. V. Blackinger informs us that four hundred sheep crossed Snake River on Tuesday for the Owyhee market. Also, that Shoemaker, of Grand Ronde Valley, is on his way with a like number of cattle, and is expected here in a week or two at furthest. Mr. B. says it is difficult to do business with the present prices of cattle and condition of currency.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
Rock and a hard place

It happened to Brett, a country boy in college on a rodeo scholarship. His folks sent him off to college in a well-used ¾-ton pickup with mud and snows and a grill that looked like the gate on a Russian prison, a 16-foot stock trailer the color of camouflage, and an antique gas-slingy hatchback coupe.

The story began one early chilly morning when “Marilyn”, as he affectionately named the hatchback, wouldn’t start. When this happened back at the ranch, they would push Marilyn up into the back of the stock trailer and haul her to the mechanic 18 miles away in Mountain Home. Not having a push tractor there on campus, Brett strategically placed the opened trailer at the foot of steep grade next to the sidewalk. He set up two stout board ramps and walked back up the hill to get Marilyn.

The campus seemed deserted, Brett observed, as he pushed Marilyn over the edge, jumped in and coasted down the hill. He hit the ramp tracks and loaded the projectile on the trailer with less than six inches of clearance! “Step One!” he said, much satisfied.

It was then that Step Two reared its ugly head. On the ranch they never needed to actually sit behind the wheel to load her, he remembered ... too late! There was no way to get the door open. There was no space through the window against the solid-sided trailer. “The hatchback!” he thought, hope in his heart. He could see the empty street behind him through the back window. Over he climbed only to find that it would not open!

As the day warmed, people began appearing. He heard children talking to a mom nearby.

“Hey, Lady,” Brett whispered, trying not to scare her. No response.

“Hey, Lady!” he said, raising his voice.

The mom looked around, grabbed her kids and hurried away from the menacing voice. For 45 minutes, Brett tried to catch the attention of passersby. He whistled, banged on the trailer, and rocked Marilyn. Finally by plastering himself against the hatchback window and flailing like a shipwrecked sailor, he caught the attention of a bicycling journalism major.

She agreed to go get help if Brett agreed to let her film his plight and do an interview first. He was cornered and acquiesced. The article was titled, “Carpooling, the Cowboy Way!”

— *Baxter Black is coming to Owyhee County. He'll make an appearance at 6 p.m. on Friday, June 4, in Murphy in the run-up to the 41st annual Outpost Days for the Owyhee County Historical Society. Tickets are on sale for \$30 through the county museum, (208) 495-2319. 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
Prune the money tree



This just in: The economic downturn is over.

At least that’s what the Homedale City Council and public library board seem to think.

Through their infinite wisdom — and apparent rose-colored glasses (or horse blinders) — Mayor Harold Wilson and the four city councilmen saw fit to discuss — again — the possibility of updating the town’s library building last week.

The dream is to either build a new structure on city-donated land next to City Hall or to expand the existing building on West Owyhee Avenue. Wilson has pushed for the city to subsidize half the cost of a new building, which has been estimated at \$341,000 for a 5,000-square-foot structure. Apparently, the price is comparable to adding on to the 30-year-old current library.

The reality, however, is that money doesn’t grow on trees — a fact that Councilman Tim Downing pointed out Wednesday night.

But, apparently, the City of Homedale has figured out a way to cultivate cash.

The fiscal year 2009 audit shows that Homedale has \$787,000 sitting in the bank. And burning a hole in the city fathers’ pocket.

One of many spending proposals is to throw some of that money at library construction.

But wait, there’s more.

In addition to yet another library subsidy (the city gives the board money each year because there is no taxing district supporting the library), the council apparently will consider another five percent pay hike for city employees come budget time. This on the heels of two years of pay increases (a cumulative eight percent for the city maintenance crew and nine percent for the police department).

There’s still the matter of up to \$40,000 for the city’s share of the downtown revitalization assessment and as much as \$40,000 in matching funds to secure a \$187,000 airport improvements grant opportunity that is slowly sliding into the sunset.

And what happens if revenues fall, requiring the city to scramble to satisfy bond obligations?

Forgetting for a moment how a city can rack up more than three-quarters of a million dollars in savings while its citizens struggle mightily to stay in their homes, here’s a better idea that might actually help the councilmen and mayor keep their jobs:

Tax cuts.

Take the \$170,000 aimed at constructing a building that will be open four hours a day and give the city’s taxpayers a break.

According to 2009 levies, the City of Homedale gets the largest slice of the pie than any entity listed on city property tax bills. It dwarfs Owyhee County’s cut by nearly 2-to-1 and is nearly 10 percent higher than the Homedale School District’s collection of levies.

With the economy continuing to lag, now is not the time to take your tax base for granted — again.

Keep in mind that two more taxes — the Local Improvement District assessments for downtown revitalization and the Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency regional technical center two-year levy — haven’t kicked in yet.

I’ve heard that Homedale needs to be business friendly. That’s the rationale behind a proposed change in the zoning ordinance to allow roping arenas in certain parts of town.

You can’t get much more friendlier than letting a businessman keep a little bit more of his money either to invest or keep others employed.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ...
but possibly of interest
Peanut diplomacy



One of the best things about my first few weeks of retirement has been getting better acquainted with Ella, our 2-year-old granddaughter. Ella stays at our house weekdays when her parents are working.

Until I started hanging around, Ella was pretty much Grandma’s girl. It wasn’t that she ran from me in terror or anything like that. But if I picked her up, Ella would stare intently into my eyes for about five seconds and then in a very firm voice say, “Want down. Grandpa.” If I didn’t put her down, there would be a certain amount of crying.

When I began staying home all day, Ella started interacting more with me. If I was doing something on the computer and she happened to walk by, there always was a “Hi, Grandpa,” for me, and possibly a “What are you doing?” But physical contact still was limited to a few seconds.

The key to forging a closer relationship with Ella turned out to be salted, in-the-shell peanuts.

One day Ella was watching an Elmo DVD. I sat down in my easy chair on the far side of the room with a book and a bowl of salted, unshelled peanuts. It’s tough to keep one’s place in a book while shelling peanuts, but I was doing my best. I was so involved that it was some time before I realized Ella was no longer watching Elmo. She was standing by my chair watching me shell peanuts.

“Have some?” she asked.

I cracked the shell of a peanut, removed the husks from

the nuts within and handed them to Ella. She popped one into her mouth.

No more than a couple of minutes later, it was obvious I wasn’t going to be doing any more reading while shelling peanuts. That was because Ella had climbed up in the chair and was sitting on my lap waiting for me to give her another nut.

Ella’s new-found familiarity only went so far, however. When I ran out of peanuts to shell, she climbed down from my lap and went on about her regular business.

A couple of days later, I got out some more peanuts and sat down in my chair. Before you could say Jumpin’ Jack Flash, Ella was sitting on my lap saying, “Have some?”

There was a noticeable difference in our second peanut shucking session. Ella didn’t immediately eat all the nuts I gave her. She placed several on the table top next to the chair — for “later” I guess. And when I ran out of peanuts to shell she didn’t get down immediately. She was perfectly happy to stay on Grandpa’s lap for several minutes. She didn’t even eat the peanuts she had set aside.

That was the end of the peanut sessions, mainly because we ran out and Sara didn’t think it was a good idea for me or Ella to be eating salted peanuts every day. But our peanut episodes had already had an effect.

Later in the week, Sara was involved in some project in

— See *Peanut*, page 19

Commentary

Financial management

Credit counseling services do more harm than good

Dear Dave,

I have a friend with \$30,000 in credit card debt, an \$80,000 second mortgage, and a car loan. She makes about \$70,000 a year, and is considering using a credit counseling service to help. They say they can negotiate her credit card debt down to almost half of what it is now, but there's an 18 percent fee attached for their services. What are your feelings about this?

— Frank

Dear Frank,

This is a bad idea for several reasons. For one thing, it will virtually destroy her credit with regard to buying a home. Almost every lending institution will look at using a credit counseling service as if she had filed Chapter 13 bankruptcy.

Here's something else to think about. Some of these "counseling"



companies withhold credit card payments until the account is three to six months past due. Then, they contact the lender and negotiate to settle the bad debt. See where I'm going? That's how they get negotiated discounts on credit card debt. Card companies don't settle on your debts when your payments are on time.

These services are always a bad idea, and sometimes they're a complete scam. Some of them will go as far as to request power of attorney. Believe it or not, many people who are in debt are either naïve or desperate enough to sign this control over to them!

Your friend needs to handle this herself, and the best way to do that is by making her money behave, and creating and living on a monthly budget. Tell her to sell some stuff, or pick up an extra job on weekends. It would probably be a good idea to sell that car she's financing, and find a cheap, little beater to drive around, too. Regardless, she's got some tough decisions and hard work ahead if she wants to free up her cash flow, and clean up this mess the right way!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

A while back I filed Chapter 7 bankruptcy. Then, not long ago I saw an article saying the best way to re-establish credit after a bankruptcy is to find a low-limit credit card, make small purchases, then pay it off early each month. I'd like to buy a home in a few

years, so what do you think of this advice?

— Kim

Dear Kim,

That's just about the worst advice I've ever heard. People file bankruptcy because they got themselves so far into debt they couldn't get out. If debt has already pushed you into bankruptcy, then don't you think debt is something you should avoid? Whoever wrote that article is a real bozo!

First of all, don't worry about re-establishing your credit. If you go three or four years after bankruptcy without borrowing a dime, then you'll add no new entries to your credit bureau report. This will help show a potential mortgage lender that you learned from your mistakes the first time around. The definition of insanity is doing the same

thing over and over and expecting different results. Getting another credit card after all you've been through would be really dumb.

You can't borrow your way out of debt or into wealth, Kim. If you want to see different results you'll have to change your behavior!

— 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

How the world sees us

American capitalism gone with (only) a whimper

by Stanislav Mishin, Pravda.ru blogger
(originally published April 2009)

It must be said, that like the breaking of a great dam, the American descent into Marxism is happening with breathtaking speed, against the backdrop of a passive, hapless sheeple, excuse me dear reader, I meant people.

True, the situation has been well-prepared on and off for the past century, especially the past 20 years. The initial testing grounds was conducted upon our Holy Russia, and a bloody test it was. But we Russians would not just roll over and give up our freedoms and our souls, no matter how much money Wall Street poured into the fists of the Marxists.

Those lessons were taken and used to properly prepare the American populace for the surrender of their freedoms and souls, to the whims of their elites and betters.

First, the population was dumbed down through a politicized and substandard education system based on pop culture, rather than the classics. Americans know more about their favorite TV dramas than the drama in DC that directly affects their lives. They care more for their "right" to choke down a McDonald's burger or a Burger King burger than for their constitutional rights. Then they turn around and lecture us about our rights and about our "democracy". Pride blind the foolish.

Then their faith in God was destroyed, until their churches, all tens of thousands of different "branches and denominations" were for the most part little more than Sunday circuses and their televangelists and top protestant mega-preachers were more than happy to sell out their souls and flocks to be on the "winning" side of one pseudo-Marxist politician or another. Their flocks may complain, but when explained that they would be on the "winning" side, their flocks were ever so quick to reject

Christ in hopes for earthly power. Even our Holy Orthodox churches are scandalously liberalized in America.

The final collapse has come with the election of Barack Obama. His speed in the past three months has been truly impressive. His spending and money printing has been record setting, not just in America's short history but in the world. If this keeps up for more than another year, and there is no sign that it will not, America at best will resemble the Weimar Republic and at worst Zimbabwe.

These past two weeks have been the most breathtaking of all. First came the announcement of a planned redesign of the American Byzantine tax system, by the very thieves who used it to bankroll their thefts, losses, and swindles of hundreds of billions of dollars. These make our Russian oligarchs look little more than ordinary street thugs, in comparison. Yes, the Americans have beaten our own thieves in the sheer volumes. Should we congratulate them?

These men, of course, are not an elected panel but made up of appointees picked from the very financial oligarchs and their henchmen who are now gorging themselves on trillions of American dollars, in one bailout after another. They are also usurping the rights, duties, and powers of the American Congress. Again, Congress has put up little more than a whimper to their masters.

Then came Barack Obama's command that General Motors' president step down from leadership of his company. That is correct, dear reader, in the land of "pure" free markets, the American president now has the power, the self-given power, to fire CEOs, and we can assume other employees of private companies, at will. Come hither, go dither, the centurion commands his minions.

So it should be no surprise that the American president has followed this up with a "bold" move of declaring that

he and another group of unelected, chosen stooges will now redesign the entire automotive industry and will even be the guarantee of automobile policies. I am sure that if given the chance, they would happily try and redesign it for the whole of the world, too. Prime Minister Putin, less than two months ago, warned Obama and UK's Blair, not to follow the path to Marxism, it only leads to disaster. Apparently, even though we suffered 70 years of this Western-sponsored horror show, we know nothing, as foolish, drunken Russians, so let our "wise" Anglo-Saxon fools find out the folly of their own pride.

Again, the American public has taken this with barely a whimper ... but a "free man" whimper.

So, should it be any surprise to discover that the Democratically controlled Congress of America is working on passing a new regulation that would give the American Treasury department the power to set "fair" maximum salaries, evaluate performance, and control how private companies give out pay raises and bonuses? Sen. Barney Frank, a social pervert basking in his homosexuality (of course, amongst the modern, enlightened American societal norm, as well as that of the general West, homosexuality is not only not a looked-down-upon life choice, but is often praised as a virtue) and his Marxist enlightenment, has led this effort. He stresses that this only affects companies that receive government monies, but it is retroactive and taken to a logical extreme, this would include any company or industry that has ever received a tax break or incentive.

The Russian owners of American companies and industries should look thoughtfully at this and the option of closing their facilities down and fleeing the land of the Red as fast as possible. In other words, divest while there is still value left.

✓ Peanut: Snack creates bond with grandchild

From Page 18

the kitchen when Ella approached her, held up her arms and starting saying "Hold you (hold me), Grandma!" Sara was too busy at that moment, but Ella persisted and her requests got louder.

I walked over to Ella. "Grandma's busy," I said. "Can Grandpa hold you?"

Our littlest granddaughter looked up at me for a long moment. Then she held out her arms.

"OK," she said.

Salted, in-the-shell peanuts can have value far beyond nutrition.

— Go to www.theowyheeavalanche.com to link to some of Wayne's previous columns on his blog.

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 25 primary elections until noon on May 14.

The usual letters to the editor guidelines apply, including letters must be no more than 300 words and letters must include contact information, including a daytime phone number, of the letter-writer

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

Public notices

**SYNOPSIS OF
OWYHEE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
MEETING
APRIL 6th 2010**

Payment of bills: Current Expense \$39,144, Road & Bridge \$154,673, District Court \$3,750, County Fair \$8, Fair \$3,733, Health District \$4,100, Museum \$61, Indigent & Charity \$8,753, Revaluation \$447, Solid Waste \$9,732, Tort \$1, Weed \$83, 911 \$8,262.

Tax cancellation of \$61.85 on Parcel MH05S01E130010A approved.

Approved road name requested by Steve Givens to Givens Lane.

Approved the Agreement for the Boating Safety Grant.

Approved pay request by Sheriff for Jonathan Taber at \$10.00 per hour.

Presentation of the 2009 Murphy Drinking Water Report.

Approved polling places for the 2010 elections.

Approved certificates of residency to CWI for tuition assistance.

Approved Waterways recommendation for docks, disallowed repair of Cabanaís.

Indigent & charity 09-46 approved, 10-09 denied, 10-10 denied, 10-11 denied.

Executive Session 67-2345 (1),(a),(b),(c),(d),(e),(f) atty memoís personnel.

Update from County Extension Agent.

Coordination with Boise District BLM.

Approved revised road maintenance agreement with MHAFB.

The complete minutes can be viewed at owyheecounty.net or in the Clerkís office.

4/21/10

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
OF OWYHEE COUNTY
PSAP 911 SYSTEM**

Owyhee County will accept sealed bids addressed to: Owyhee County Board of County Commissioners, P.O. Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650. 208-495-2421

No later than close of business at 5:00 pm May 21, 2010.

Schedule of events is as follows:

RFP Issue April 21, 2010. Questions Submitted no later than Close of Business May 10, 2010. RFP Response Deadline Close of Business, May 21, 2010 RFP, Opening of bids 10:00 a.m. May 24, 2010 Contract Awarded no later than June 15, 2010. Installation/cut over to be determined.

Prices quoted should represent a fully installed and tested system in a turnkey fashion.

Complete RFP is available on the Owyhee County Website at <http://owyheecounty.net>

4/21,28/10

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3/31;4/7,14,21,28/10

**THE FOLLOWING
APPLICATION(S)
HAVE BEEN FILED TO
APPROPRIATE THE
PUBLIC WATERS OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO:**

57-11711 HART CREEK RANCH LLC, 24597 COLLETT RD, OREANA, ID 83650

Point of Diversion NESE S26 T04S R01W OWYHEE County

Source GROUND WATER Tributary
Point of Diversion SWSE S26 T04S R01W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER Tributary

Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 0.7 CFS

Total Diversion: 0.7 CFS

Date Filed: 11/1/2007

Place Of Use: IRRIGATION T04S R01W S25 SWSW

Total Acres: 35

This is an existing use from existing wells, mistakenly omitted in older water rights.

57-11785 DENNISHUHTALA, ARLINE HUHTALA, 19481 GAS POINT RD, COTTONWOOD, CA 96022

Point of Diversion SWNW S17 T02N R04W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER Tributary

Use: STOCKWATER 01/01 to 12/31 0.02 CFS

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

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

Total Diversion: 0.08 CFS

Date Filed: 7/24/2009

Place Of Use: DOMESTIC, S T O C K W A T E R A N D HEATING

T02N R04W S17 SWNW

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Wy, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 5/10/2010. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Interim Director
4/21,28/10

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S
SALE**

T.S. No. ID-09-233861-TD On 8/5/2010, 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 Title Company of Ada County dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee on behalf of CitiBank NA, as trustee for WaMu Series 2007-HE3 Trusti 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: THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTH WEST QUARTER OF SECTION 12, IN TOWNSHIP 1 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 that the address of 7823 SOMMERCAMP ROAD, MELBA, ID 83641 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

**CITY OF HOMEDALE
Quarterly Expenditure Report
2nd FISCAL QUARTER, FY 2010**

FUND	BUDGET AMOUNT	Expended to Date	% of Budget Expended	Revenue to Date	% of Budget Revenue
01 General	\$ 1,105,868.00	\$ 323,185.00	29.2%	\$347,133.00	31.4%
03 Parks	\$ 130,070.00	\$ 17,699.00	13.6%	\$36,532.00	28.1%
04 Library	\$ 64,900.00	\$ 26,244.00	40.4%	\$26,271.00	40.5%
06 Law Enforcement	\$ 328,679.00	\$ 167,471.00	51.0%	\$167,470.00	51.0%
30 Airport	\$ 256,030.00	\$ 195.00	0.1%	\$5,872.00	2.3%
Sub-Total	\$ 1,885,547.00	\$ 534,794.00	28.4%	\$583,278.00	30.9%
02 Streets & Hwy	\$ 203,771.00	\$ 39,955.00	19.6%	\$48,775.00	23.9%
60 Irrigation	\$ 115,717.00	\$ 41,494.00	35.9%	\$54,761.00	47.3%
25 Water	\$ 909,600.00	\$ 240,094.00	26.4%	\$257,993.00	28.4%
26 Sewer	\$ 1,145,811.00	\$ 779,513.00	68.0%	\$711,424.00	62.1%
27 Sanitation	\$ 96,850.00	\$ 38,463.00	39.7%	\$52,034.00	53.7%
TOTAL (all funds)	\$ 4,357,296.00	\$ 1,674,313.00	38.4%	\$1,708,265.00	39.2%

The General Public is invited to inspect all supporting documents for the above Financial Statement at City Hall during regular business hours.

Signed: Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk/Treasurer

Publish: April 21, 2010

**CITY OF MARSING
QUARTERLY EXPENDITURE &
REVENUE REPORT
2ND FISCAL QUARTER, FY 2009-10**

Fund	Budget Amount	Expended to Date	% of Budget Expended	Revenue to Date	% of Budget Revenue
01 General	\$345,152.00	\$119,102.00	37.30%	\$140,301.00	33.30%
Law Enforcement	\$76,385.00	\$38,193.00	50.00%	\$0.00	0.00%
02 Roads & Streets	\$111,960.00	\$32,931.00	29.40%	\$40,435.00	36.10%
03 Parks	\$42,024.00	\$4,751.00	11.30%	\$13,863.00	33.00%
05 Planning & Zoning	\$17,505.00	\$6,397.00	36.50%	\$3,067.00	17.50%
Sub-Total	\$593,026.00	\$201,374.00	34.00%	\$197,666.00	34.00%
25 Water	\$1,385,500.00	\$600,657.00	43.40%	\$523,864.00	37.80%
29 Irrigation	\$49,185.00	\$17,302.00	35.20%	\$33,776.00	68.70%
30 Sanitation	\$98,200.00	\$41,391.00	42.20%	\$42,364.00	43.10%
35 Sewer	\$439,000.00	\$38,227.00	8.70%	\$113,734.00	25.90%
Sub-Total	\$1,971,885.00	\$697,577.00	36%	\$713,738.00	37.00%
TOTAL (all funds)	\$2,564,911.00	\$898,951.00	35.00%	\$911,404.00	36.00%

The General Public is invited to inspect all supporting documents for the above Financial Statement at City Hall during regular business hours.

Financial figures may include fund transfers, service charges, refunds, reimbursements and other accounting procedures.

Janice C. Bicandi, City Clerk-Treasurer

4/21/10

Trust executed by MICHAEL J COOK, AN UNMARRIED MAN as Grantor/Trustor, in which WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, is named as Beneficiary and LENDER SERVICES DIRECT INC. as Trustee and recorded 2/28/2007 as Instrument No. 260008 in book -, page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of OWYHEE County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 2/14/2007. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,825.01, due per month for the months of 9/1/2008 through 2/6/2009, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$239,049.16

together with interest thereon at the current rate of 8.3000 per cent (%) per annum from 8/1/2008. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee’s Attorney. Date: 4/6/2010 By: Pioneer Title Company of Ada County dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services 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# 3522378

4/21,28;5/5,12/10

Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
Idaho Code 45-1506
Loan No.: **210650** T.S. No.: **10078.1859** TSG No.: **201001160**

On **7/7/2010 at 11:00 AM** (recognized local time), **At the entrance to the Owyhee County courthouse located at 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650.** In the County of **Owyhee**, State of Idaho, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, as Trustee on behalf of the beneficiary 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:

Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Block 9 of the Revised Townsite of Butte, now the City of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: **Lots 7 - 12, Block 9 of the Revised Townsite of Butte, now the City of Marsing, Idaho**, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: **Latah Motors, LLC**, As grantors, To: **Pioneer Title Company of Canyon County**, As Trustee, for the benefit and security of **Jeffery A. Gastaldi, Rochelle Gastaldi, Yvonne M. Rose, formerly known as Yvonne M. Clapier, partners of C & G Partnership**, As Beneficiary, dated **1/28/2005**, recorded **2/2/2005**, as Instrument No. **250780**, records of **Owyhee County, Idaho**.

Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), ID 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 1/28/2005. THE BALANCE OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST WHICH BECAME DUE ON 2/1/2010, ALONG WITH LATE CHARGES, FORECLOSURE FEES AND COSTS ANY LEGAL FEES OR ADVANCES THAT HAVE BECOME DUE. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$129,096.84, plus accrued interest at the rate of 7.5% per annum from 1/18/2010. 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.

Dated: March 01, 2010
By: Pioneer Title Company of Canyon County by Pioneer Lender Trustee Services its authorized agent Amy L. Bowles, Assistant Trustee Officer

4/7,14,21,28/10
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Trustee’s Sale No. 02-FHF-92430 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on July 23, 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: THE SOUTH 67 FEET OF LOTS 7 & 8 OF BLOCK 95 OF THE AMENDED TOWNSITE PLAT OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. 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 12 NORTH 3RD EAST, HOMEDALE, ID 82628 AKA 12 3RD STREET EAST AKA 12 NORTH 3RD STREET, 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 BRENDA K. COLLINS, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF ADA COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO. OF IDAHO, as Beneficiary, dated 8/1/2005, recorded 8/3/2005, under Instrument No. 252825, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO. OF IDAHO. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 8/1/2005, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 8/5/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of March 18, 2010 8 Delinquent payments from August 05, 2009 Late Charges: \$0.00 Beneficiary Advances: \$293.06 Suspense Credit: \$0.00 TOTAL: \$4.725.82 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 \$57,316.45, together with interest thereon at 9.690% per annum from 7/5/2009, 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: 3/18/2010 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer/oREGIONALTRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: 206-340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.rtrustee.com ASAP# 3508251
4/7,14,21,28/10

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
On July 27, 2010, at the hour of 12:00 o’clock PM 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:

Lot 4, Block 2, HIDDEN HOLLOW SUBDIVISION in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of **412 Mountain View Dr., 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 Linda M. Hoobery and Jason K. Hoobery, wife and husband, as Grantor(s) with Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded September 6, 2007, as Instrument No. 262346, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC, recorded March 12, 2010, as Instrument No. 270670, 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 \$581.69 for the months of June 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 \$68,513.33 as principal, plus service charges, attorney’s fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 7.375% from May 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 22nd day of March, 2010.

Tammie Harris, 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.
3/31;4/7,14,21/10

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

TS No. 10-0044975 Title Order No. NWT002949 Parcel No. RP02N04W263080A 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 08/23/2010 at 11:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 02/27/2009 as Instrument Number 267581, and executed by DAVID LOEFFLER, AND KAREN LOEFFLER, 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: A tract of land being a portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and a portion of Government Lot 2 of Section 26, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southwest corner or said Government Lot 2, bring the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence running South 90°00’00” East a distance of 200 feet; thence North 05°11’40” West a distance of 251 feet; thence North 90°00’00” West a distance of 911.77 feet to a point on the Northeasterly right of way line of Highway 78; thence along said highway right of way on a curve to the left, the long chord of which bears South 18°45’23” East a distance of 263.99 feet to a point on the South boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 26; thence North 90°00’00” East along said South boundary a distance of 649.61 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. 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, 8026 STATE HIGHWAY 78, MARSING, ID 83639-8258 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 11/01/2009 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 5.500% 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 \$242,762.94, 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: 04/13/2010 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 /S/ Deedra Williams ASAP# 3529797
4/21,28;5/5,12/10

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV-10-01461
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
In the Matter of the Estates
of HAROLD REYNOLDS
and LORETTA REYNOLDS,
husband and wife, both
Deceased.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented or delivered to LARRY McDANIEL, Personal Representative of the estate, at 1303 12th Avenue Road, P.O. Box 65, Nampa, Idaho 83653-0065, and filed with the Court pursuant to Idaho Code Section 15-3-804.

Dated this 12th day of March, 2010.

/s/LARRY McDANIEL,
Personal Representative

**CARL D. HAMILTON,
HAMILTON, MICHAELSON
& HILTY, LLP,** Attorneys for
Personal Representative, 1303 -
12th Avenue Road, P.O. Box 65,
Nampa, Idaho 83653-0065. (208)
467-4479 Fax (208) 467-3058
4/7,14,21/10

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S
SALE**

T.S. No. ID-10-343989-TD
On 7/21/2010, 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
Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC will
sell at public auction, to the
highest bidder, for cash, in lawful
money of the United States, all
payable at the time of sale, the
following real property, situated
in the County of OWYHEE
State of Idaho, and described as
follows: A parcel of land being
a portion of the East One-Half
of the Northwest Quarter of
Section 28, Township 3 North,
Range 4 West, Boise Meridian,
Owyhee County, Idaho and being
more particularly described as
follows: COMMENCING at a
found Brass Cap marking the
Northwest corner of said Section
28, Township 3 North, Range 4
West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee
County, Idaho and being the
centerline intersection of Dunlap

Street and Edison Street, said
Brass Cap bears North 0°00’ 00”
East, 2666.85 feet from a found
5/8” iron pin marking the West
Quarter corner of said Section
28 and being the centerline
intersection of said Edison Street
and Bruneau Highway; thence
South 88°52’ 33” East, 1996.52
feet along the North boundary
of the said Northwest Quarter
of Section 28 and along the said
centerline of Dunlap Street to a
found 5/8” iron pin; thence South
01° 06’ 45” West, 1315.59 feet
along the centerline of an existing
concrete irrigation ditch to a point,
said point being witnessed by a
found 1/2” iron pin which bears
North 89°09’ 40” West, 5.00 feet;
said point also marking the REAL
POINT OF BEGINNING; thence
continuing South 01°06’ 45” West,
674.44 feet along said centerline
of the existing concrete irrigation
ditch to a point on the South
boundary of the North One-Half
of the Southeast Quarter of the
Northwest Quarter of Section 28,
said point being witness by a set
1/2” iron pin which bears North
89°09’ 40” West, 5.00 feet; thence
North 89°09’ 40” West, 319.85 feet
along said South boundary of the
North One-Half of the Southeast
Quarter of the Northwest Quarter
of Section 28 to a set 1/2” iron
pin; thence North 0°34’ 46” East,
674.44 feet to a set 1/2” iron pin;
thence South 89°09’ 40” East,
326.12 feet to the REAL POINT
OF BEGINNING. TOGETHER
WITH that certain 60.00 foot
wide easement for ingress, egress,
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Description, No. 6 in document
entitled “Correction Affidavit,
Louck’s Property Division No.
Two”, recorded February 7,1997
as Instrument No. 220920 and
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Easement No. 6 and No. 13 on the
Record of Survey for LES AND
LAVADA LOUCKS, recorded
November 24,1997 as Instrument
No. 223375, all in the Owyhee
County records. The Trustee has
no knowledge of a more
particular description of the above
referenced real property, but for
purposes of compliance with
Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the
Trustee has been informed that
the address of 6077 Claytonia Way,
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 JOANNE E WATERS
as Grantor/Truster, in which
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC., AS NOMINEE FOR
TAYLOR, BEAN & WHITAKER
MORTGAGE CORP.AFLORIDA
CORPORATION, is named as
Beneficiary and PIONEER TITLE
as Trustee and recorded 1/22/2008
as Instrument No. 263759 in book

xxx, page xxx of Official Records
in the office of the Recorder of
OWYHEE County, Idaho. Please
Note: The above Grantors are
named to comply with section
45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code.
No representation is made that
they are, or are not, presently
responsible for this obligation
set forth herein. The Default for
which this sale is to be made
is the failure to pay when due,
under Deed of Trust and Note
dated 1/14/2008. The monthly
installments of principal, interest,
and impounds (if applicable) of
\$1,756.10, due per month for
the months of 4/1/2009 through
3/9/2010, 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 \$306,522.50
together with interest thereon at
the current rate of 6.8750 per cent
(%) per annum from 3/1/2009.
All delinquent amounts are now
due, together with accruing late
charges, and interest, unpaid
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trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and
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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:
3/19/2010 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
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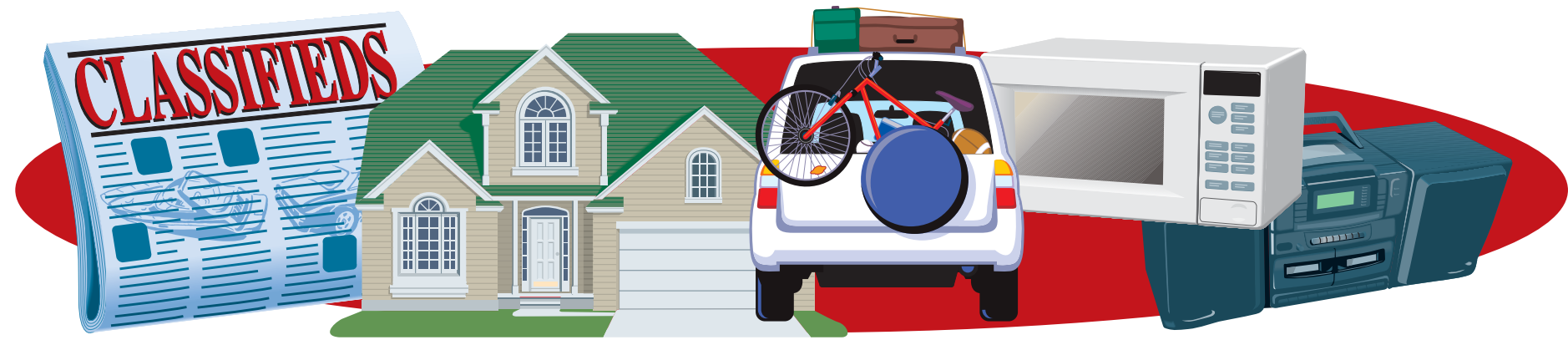
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