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## District discusses bleak budget Thursday

**\$800K shortfall,  
possible cuts on  
agenda at HMS**

The Homedale School District plans a community meeting Thursday to outline ideas to deal with a budgetary shortfall of more than \$800,000 for fiscal year 2011. The strategy does include cutting jobs, superintendent Tim Rosandick said.

“It will give community members an opportunity to get up to speed on where we are budgetarily and ask questions they might have about it,” Rosandick said of the meeting. The meeting runs from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30

p.m. Thursday inside the Homedale Middle School lunchroom. The next school board — See **Budget**, page 5  
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### Police dog hot on the trail

Homedale students Stephanie Kennedy, left, and Jeovany Luis Juan play the role of stopped motorists as Canyon County Sheriff's Deputy Gary Johns and Luke search for drugs. The demonstration was part of the Hot Rods, Hot Jobs and Hot Dogs career fair at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds on Friday. For more on the event, see **Page 15**.

## Grand View bust nets \$18,900 in pot

Law enforcement officers seized more than five pounds of pot worth an estimated \$18,900 in Grand View on Saturday.

A tactical team, detectives and numerous crime scene people were part of a multi-agency response team put together by Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall in cooperation with Elmore County Sheriff Rick Layher, an OCSO release Monday said.

The teams collaborated to obtain two search warrants that led to the successful operation.

A combined weight of 5.14 pounds of marijuana was seized. Three unidentified people were arrested and jailed in Murphy, the release said. In

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Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall shows off the marijuana seized in Grand View on Saturday. Submitted photo

## Graduation season starts Saturday in Jordan Valley

Thirteen students will graduate from Jordan Valley High School in a commencement ceremony Saturday.

The ceremony takes place at 7 p.m. inside the school's new gymnasium.

Bryce Kershner and Laura Jewett are the co-valedictorians, while Brandan Mackenzie will serve as the salutatorian. All three

will give speeches.

Kershner is the son of Teresa and Kenny Kershner. Jewett's parents are David and Lisa Mackenzie and the late Gary Gleason. Brandan Mackenzie is the son of Sam and Bonnie Mackenzie.

The program includes a

— See **Graduation**, page 5

## Marsing man arrested for burglary

Investigations have netted a suspect in at least one of a recent rash of Marsing burglaries.

Owyhee County sheriff's deputies arrested Jorge Rodriguez-Munoz, 25, on April 25 following a burglary the previous day.

“Because of some information given to the Sheriff's Office we were able to pinpoint one individual, Jorge Rodriguez-Munoz, as a suspect,” Deputy Irma Noe said in a release Thursday. Noe said more information might be forthcoming as the

investigation continues.

Rodriguez-Munoz, a Marsing resident, is charged with felony theft, and accused of stealing a Mossberg .12-gauge shotgun and a set of binoculars.

Chief Deputy Bill Detweiler said Rodriguez-Munoz is also a person of interest in burglaries at the Marsing Assembly of God Church and the King Taco building.

Further criminal charges are anticipated, Owyhee County Prosecutor Douglas Emery said.



Jorge Rodriguez-Munoz

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# Fairgrounds restrooms may be replaced

Effort under way to secure funding for project

Proponents of new restrooms at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds are ready to take their idea to the people.

A flyer has been drafted outlining how folks can help in the project to construct a new restroom and shower building between the livestock barn and the horse stalls.

“We need to emphasize that this is a community project, and we need community support,” project leader Leslie Jayo said.

Jayo continues to work with the Southwest Idaho Resource Conservation and Development Council, and expects the grant application process to get rolling in the next two or three months. Organizers say that community support is vital in impressing groups that might give money to the cause.

“The more support we show, the much better likelihood we’ll get the grant,” fair board chair Kelly Aberasturi said. “If the support comes in, we might end up having enough to do two (restrooms) and another on the east side on another date.”

The support doesn’t have to be limited to cash donations.

“If you can’t donate something monetary, a letter of support is very valuable in this process,” fair secretary and manager Kelly Haun said.

In-kind labor also will be sought, including demolition, and wiring and plumbing work to make room for the new building.

Organizers say that an outpouring of support could cut down on the project timeline, which is set at more than a year right now.

The focal point of the project is replacing the deteriorating restrooms and showers that campers use during fair week. That restroom facility also gets the bulk of the use during fair

because of its proximity to the livestock barn that houses the show ring and junior livestock auction, Aberasturi said.

The restrooms are close to 40 years old, Aberasturi said, and they are constantly requiring costly maintenance and repair.

“It’s nickel-and-diming us to death, and just to maintain that for the week of fair is a full-time job in itself,” he said.

Says Haun: “It’s like a big, ugly scar on the fairground where everything is being upgraded and more usable and renovated, and then there is that big ugly thing.”

Haun points out that replacing the leaky and rundown restrooms next to the food court is also a concern.

The new buildings could be prefabricated or stick-built, Aberasturi said. The estimate for prefab buildings for both the shower and restroom facility (780 square feet, according to the manufacturer CXT Inc.’s Web site) and the food court restroom

(520 square feet) is \$242,452.40. According to an update Jayo presented at the February fair board meeting, contractor Richard Brooks estimates two stick-built structures would cost \$216,000.

Neither building will be replaced in time for the 2010 fair, which runs Aug. 9 through Aug. 14. In fact, the plan is to shut down the food court facility and rely on Port-a-Potties to save on city water charges because of leaks.

Jayo suspects the earliest buildings will be on site, if grants are secured, is sometime next year.

The plan is to have illustrations of what the facilities will look like on display during this year’s fair to further the campaign, organizers said.

The fair board is scheduled to hold its May meeting at 8 p.m. Thursday at the fair office in Homedale. The agenda includes a discussion of budget requests for fiscal year 2011.

— JPB



## County GOP holds raffle

Frances Field, the chair for the Owyhee County Republican Central Committee, shows off two raffle items for the group’s fundraiser — a belt buckle from Idaho Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter and a hand-made watch crafted by Guffey resident Annette Dygert and donated by Owyhee County Treasurer Brenda Richards. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20. The drawing will take place in August during the Owyhee County Fair in Homedale.

# Fair officials already preparing for summer



Evon Timmons prepares to weigh her pig during April 26 swine weigh-ins at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds. Sheep weigh-ins are tentatively scheduled for May 28. Submitted photo

## New rodeo fence planned; superintendents sought for August

The horse stall project isn’t the only work the Owyhee County Fairgrounds will see this year.

Last week, work was completed on running irrigation water to the holding arena for rodeo livestock. Officials say this project will cut expenses because it reduces the dependency on city water.

The Owyhee County Fair Board has approved replacing the interior fence on the rodeo arena in preparation for the 2010 fair and rodeo, which begins on Aug. 8.

A \$5,500 bid from a Vale, Ore., fencing contractor was accepted during the March fair board meeting, according to fair secretary and manager Kelly Haun.

“The rodeo board has been kind enough to donate their time and labor to tear out the old fence, and that’s a huge savings to the

fair board,” Haun said.

Haun said the price is about half of the value of a bid the fair board secured two years ago.

The project is expected to take place in the first part of June, before the 4-H District II Horse Judging and Hippology competition invades the arena on Saturday, June 19.

The plan calls for rodeo board members to dismantle the old safety fence separating the arena from the grandstands, making room for the contractor to place the new fence.

The fair board is still examining options to repair the roof of the goat barn, which was damaged by a windstorm last year, Haun said. She said the project may require a complete new roof, including tin, but analysis is ongoing.

The fair board spent \$500 on hardware and other materials for the horse stall project that was managed by Marsing’s Shad Jensen as his Eagle Scout project. Pruett Lumber donated the wood, and volunteers did the labor.

The fair board of directors meet on the first Thursday of each month. Through October, they’ll meet at 8 p.m. at the fairgrounds office in Homedale.

Haun also said that volunteers are needed to serve as open class superintendents during this year’s fair. She said scheduling conflicts and health issues have forced some previous superintendents in several departments to step away.

“We just need people being there and helping out the day the exhibits come in, checking in the exhibits and identifying them properly,” Haun said. “We do need a lot of warm bodies and willing minds to help the judges with the results.”

Superintendents also answer questions fairgoers may have about the various exhibits and generally are on hand to keep an eye on the entries.

Anyone interested in serving as a superintendent during the fair can contact Haun at BKRHaun@msn.com or leave a message at the fair office, (208) 337-3888.

— JPB

# Plant sales coming

With springtime arriving in Owyhee County, the Owyhee Gardeners plan plant sales at two locations this month.

On Friday and Saturday, plants will be sold from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Owyhee Greenhouse next to the Marsing FFA shop on Idaho highway 78.

On May 14-15, also a Friday and Saturday, the sale shifts to the Valley Wide Home & Ranch (formerly Producers Supply) off U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale. The hours will be 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Shoppers are encouraged to arrive early for both sales to get the best selection. Signs will be posted guiding folks to the sales.

Proceeds will help support school programs and also beautify communities, according to a press release.

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# County Haz-Mat revenue dwindles

As with nearly every other revenue source, income from a hazardous waste disposal site is down, too, Owyhee County commissioners have learned.

County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn confirmed what U.S. Ecology Idaho officials had warned of last year — the hazardous materials fund revenue from the Grand View waste site has dropped 50 percent since the third quarter of fiscal year 2009. USEI pays a tipping fee to the state for the material it brings into its dump site, and the state sends five percent of that to the county, Sherburn said.

In her report at the April 27 administrative meeting before the Board of County Commissioners in Murphy, Sherburn said that USEI's FY 2010 second-quarter hazardous materials payment would be just \$14,754, down nearly \$7,000 from the first quarter and more than \$14,000 for FY 2009 third quarter.

Company officials last September warned that the end of some projects would result in fewer fees. The county's haz-mat fund balance is \$317,826.80 after the second-quarter payment.

The county has used Haz-Mat money in the past to fund purchases for emergency services agencies that deal with USEI, including Grand View Ambulance.

## No action on request

After consulting with emergency services coordinator Jim Desmond, commissioners took no action on a pre-authorization request from Sheriff Daryl Crandall to buy six 700-megahertz-compatible radios.

Sherburn said the request was returned to Crandall, who did not attend the BOCC meeting. The sheriff responded to an e-mail



## Commissioners approve final plat

*Owyhee County Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff discusses the final plat for the Owyhee Legends subdivision with developer Joe Weatherby, right, and county commissioners George Hyer, far left, and Jerry Hoagland. The commissioners approved the plat.*

from The Owyhee Avalanche seeking information on his plan, but didn't answer any questions.

According to testimony during the meeting, the claim requested money from the Civil Defense fund to buy the radios, which Desmond prices at \$2,600 apiece.

The commissioners took no action after Desmond explained that the county's emergency communications plan outlines buying radios first for agencies who have an immediate need to communicate with Canyon County authorities who already have begun the conversion to 700 mhz. Desmond also said that Department of Homeland Security grant money can be used for the purchases to preserve county funds.

The commissioners used federal grant money to buy 700 mhz-compatible portable radios for Homedale Fire and Ambulance. Desmond said last week that he will begin working with Marsing Fire and Ambulance to purchase

more radios.

There are more than 80 emergency vehicles in the county that eventually will have to be outfitted with 700 mhz radios, Desmond said. He said he laid out the communication plan during an emergency responder meeting coordinated by the sheriff in the months after he took office.

"The communication plan calls for radios where they can be useful right away," he said.

Desmond questioned whether the sheriff's office had an immediate need for the radios, asking which personnel would have the radios and with which agencies the sheriff's office would communicate.

"If you buy them six radios and give them to deputies who aren't in a talk group, you're going to have six paper weights," Desmond said.

He pointed out that the Homedale-Marsing area is the only region where 700 mhz radios would be useful at this stage.

"If there's a need, we can buy (the radios) out of Homeland Security grants," Desmond said.

— JPB

## Correction

The baseball player pictured on Page 17 of the April 28 edition of the Avalanche is Timmy Scott.

# Sheriff's Web site offers options

The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office has a new Web site, and Sheriff Daryl Crandall hopes that recreationalists and persons filing basic reports will make use of it.

The site, at <http://www.owyhee-countysheriff.us>, includes basic information on the office, warrants, links and contacts, as well as online services including trip registration and incident reporting. The Web site is not currently accessible through the official county Web site at [www.owyheecounty.net](http://www.owyheecounty.net).

The trip registration page allows those planning to recreate in the Owyhee backcountry to log their plans and whereabouts in case of emergency, as well as supplying checklists that could help campers and off-road enthusiasts be properly equipped, Crandall said.

"Especially with the floaters, rafters and snowmobilers, it would help us out considerably," Crandall said.

The online crime report option allows those not able to easily reach Murphy, or living outside Owyhee County, to report thefts or incidents online, he said.

The site also includes a feedback form for those with comment or advice, and an anonymous tip line system, as well as access to a third-party crime-mapping Web site, Crimereports.com.

Crimereports.com acts as a clearinghouse for crime data up to one month old, mapping incidents in an interactive format accessible to the public, according to the company's Web site. Law enforcement organizations submit incidents to the company, which then posts the information.

Crimereports.com director of marketing Ryan Lufkin said that Owyhee County was not yet live. As of this writing, no incidents were displayed for the county.

The system should update from the sheriff office's Computer Arts, Inc. dispatch and incident software daily at 3 a.m., Lufkin said. The exact nature of information shown is up to the reporting agency, he said. Names are usually not included. Block addresses, rather than precise ones, are shown — except for registered sex offenders.

County accounts showed a \$1,009.80 payment to Crime reports.com for an annual subscription, approved by commissioners on March 16.

Crandall said the Web site was the gift of an anonymous donor, as OCSO didn't have the budgeted funds for site design and hosting. Deputy Irma Noe, who trained in Web sites in high school, has been assigned the Web site as a collateral duty, he said.


— MML

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# Candidates trot out platforms at Marsing luncheon

Candidates for county commissioner seats, state legislature and the position of county clerk gathered on Thursday at the Marsing Senior Center to share their thoughts on the race and on Owyhee County government.

Each candidate had five minutes to present their platform, and an additional five minutes to answer questions from voters. Summation is given in the order candidates spoke.

**Charlotte Sherburn**

Sherburn, incumbent county clerk, opened the event. She detailed her 18 years as a county employee and shared her experience in a cross-section of county offices, and gave a thank you to here co-workers in the clerk’s office.

**Stephen Hartgen**

Idaho District 23 rep. Stephen Hartgen (R-Twin Falls) focused on the budgetary squeeze the state faces, but reiterated his intent to resist raising taxes. He gave a brief overview of legislative business in the last session, listing state sovereignty issues, including Idaho-produced firearms sales and federal health care, specifically. On the health care mandate, Hartgen said that Idaho was one of 41 states that had challenged some portion of the law.

He also said he had been, and would continue to be, watchful of Idaho Power’s Boardman to Hemingway and Gateway West powerline projects, both of which are designed to meet at the under-construction Hemingway

Substation, Idaho’s largest, south of Givens in Owyhee County.

Hartgen fielded a question on the possibility of his having a staffer in the western end of his district. While he said that he had no staff to actually put in Owyhee County, he did stress his accessibility and his efforts to be responsive, whether by phone, e-mail, letter or knocking on his door.

**George Hyer**

District 2 incumbent county commissioner George Hyer reminded the audience that the Tuesday teleconferences with state legislators, including Hartgen, were another way to make their concerns known to the county’s state lawmakers.

Hyer spoke of his 30 years of public service in a variety of roles in the county before moving to issues he felt were central to residents’ concerns; specifically the economic crunch and its effect on budgeting, the implementation of the Owyhee Initiative and the paired concerns of the Idaho Power’s Boardman to Hemingway and Gateway West transmission line projects.

He fielded a question on salary and benefits, saying that the commissioner’s post was rapidly becoming a 24/7 proposition, for which he was paid \$23,000 annually. Benefits add an additional third to that, he said, and were the biggest financial reward commissioners received for their work.

**Kelly Aberasturi**

Homedale-area business owner

Kelly Aberasturi, a challenger for Hyer’s chair, stessed his belief in open government, and prioritized his budgeting concerns.

“We have to budget priorities,” he said, listing the sheriff’s office and roads and bridges as his top two concerns for funding, with an eye toward cuts in other departments.

He also spoke to keeping taxation low in order to attract businesses to the area. Private property rights also got a mention, and Aberasturi said he was against the concept of eminent domain. When private ownership came up against social need, he said “I don’t believe in the ‘greater good’.”

He also said that public access to public lands was very important.

**Joe Merrick**

Merrick, challenger for District 3 commissioner Dick Freund’s seat, spoke of his qualifications, including his years of budgeting experience on the Bruneau/Grand View school board. Merrick said he “wants to make county government a friendlier place” where any resident “is happy to come.”

When asked how he would make the county run on a dwindling budget, Merrick said he would need to study the budget in greater depth, and that he didn’t yet know enough to make specific suggestions, but stressed “I feel public safety is what’s important.”

While not in favor of a tax break for business entering the county, Merrick said he wanted to make the county appeal to

potential business owners.

**Debbie Titus**

Titus, running against Sherburn in the May 25 primary, detailed her work experience. She told listeners that “efficiency is my battle-cry” and asked that voters – irrespective of their candidate — get out and vote.

**Mary Tibbett**

Tibbet, a challenger in a three-way tussel with Hyer and Aberasturi, said that, to the question “why are you running”, her answer was “I don’t know, but no is not an option.”

“I disagree that the county commission has been ruined,” she said. “The Owyhee Initiative and a hard-fought sheriff’s race put a bad name on the commission.”

She said the county had strengths it had to explore: Hunting and fishing opportunities, mining opportunities and alternative energy options. She said the county needed to look at industries compatible with the area.

She added that she would “make tough choices on the budget.”

Tibbett also spoke about the need for working with the Bureau of Land Management on the Owyhee Initiative, and said additional enforcement was needed for the vast area. “We don’t want to see it damaged ... we have to see it patrolled,” she said.

**Dick Freund**

Dick Freund, District 3 commissioner, sketched out his 40 years of service to the state and county, including 20-plus in law

enforcement.

He said that, as a commissioner, he believes you have a contract with the people of the county. Local government, he said, was the most important level of government.

Major issues and duties he lined out included the monitoring of the Gateway West and Boardman to Hemingway transmission lines, trying to balance new projects in ways that didn’t interfere with existing ones, and the eight-year process that put the Owyhee Initiative in place.

He stressed that the current board of county commissioners has worked well together. “And when we discover we did something wrong, we try to fix it right away,” he said.

Freund fielded followup questions, one from Titus on how the county justified hiring a new part-time employee in the treasurer’s and assessor’s offices, especially in light of the county asking departments to return unspent budgeting funds. Freund explained that the hire was performed not by the commissioners, but by the department heads, who did so out of their own budget.

“Each department had their budgets cut,” he said of the funding situation. “We had to cut over \$1.4 million in the last two years.”

He added that the county had cut “expenditures and fluff” rather than increasing taxes.

Gubernatorial candidate Walt Bayes also spoke at the event.

— MML

## From page 1

### ✓ Budget: Furlough days, shorter work year, pay rate changes on table

meeting is 7 p.m. on Monday at the district office.

Dwindling revenue and falling enrollment has helped create a total FY 2011 budget shortfall of \$856,000.

The district will receive \$270,000 less in enrollment-based state support than a year ago.

In a recent memo to district staff and faculty, Rosandick addressed the crisis, saying that the state has trimmed “extras” such as safe and drug-free schools funds, money for textbooks and

classroom supplies and Limited English Proficiency support. There is no sign of a federal relief re-run, which came in the form of stimulus funds last spring.

“Even after we’ve gone through our budget and painstakingly reduced everywhere we can reduce, we’re still \$800,000 in the red without getting into personnel issues,” Rosandick said.

The superintendent and district clerk Faith Olson have worked up a budgetary outlook in preparation for Thursday’s meeting.

Eighty-five percent of the school district’s budget is tied to personnel, Rosandick said.

“It’s impossible to balance our budget based on current revenue projections without getting into personnel,” he said.

Concepts that community members could hear about Thursday include reductions in workforce, the work day and work year and pay rate changes.

Rosandick said the district is projecting 11 furlough days in the 2010-2011 school year.

With the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency two-year levy in place for the regional technical center, a supplemental levy to make up the shortfall would be unwieldly for district taxpayers, he said.

“The board will be in a much better position to consider running a supplemental levy this time next spring after the current levy has run its course, and they can ask voters to maintain their current tax levy rate rather than increase it,” Rosandick said in the district-

wide memo.

Rosandick said Idaho’s March tax receipts show that the economic recovery still hasn’t taken root. But he is “hopeful” that the district can reverse in FY 2012 cuts that will be made in the FY 2011 budget.

“It will take a few years, I think, for the full effect of an economic recovery to fully reverse negative state funding for schools,” he wrote in the memo.

— JPB

### ✓ Graduation: Rimrock up next May 16

slideshow of class memories and announcement of students who have received scholarships from local community organizations.

School district superintendent Andree Scown and school board chair Silas Skinner will hand out diplomas.

A reception is held afterward inside the old gymnasium.

The class flower is the red rose,

and the class colors are red, white and blue.

The Class of 2010 for Jordan Valley includes: Elias Cline, Dusty Easterday, Anne-Marie Eiguren, Logan Hardin, Ashley Hebison, Laura Jewett, Tad Jones, Bryce Kershner, Brandon Mackenzie, Sonny Mackenzie, Katrina Nolan, Michelle Telleria and Mattie Wroten.

The graduates-to-be took a senior class trip to Las Vegas last month.

Other graduations in Owyhee County include:

- Rimrock High School, 2 p.m., Sunday, May 16
- Marsing High School, 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 21
- Homedale High School, 2 p.m., Saturday, May 29

### ✓ Bust: Elmore involved

addition, one vehicle was seized and impounded.

Owyhee County Chief Deputy Bill Detweiler led the tactical team. Elmore County Sheriff Capt. Mike Barclay led detectives

investigating the case.

“The communication between county agencies went smoothly and led to an accomplishment that makes our community a better place to live,” Crandall said.

*Read all about it in the Avalanche!*

# Residents near new substation can expect explosions

Idaho Power construction crews will intermittently use implosive devices near Hemingway substation, located south of Givens, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day starting Friday and continuing for one week.

The utility uses these above-ground implosives to create electrical connections on new power lines. The connections used are extremely reliable and reduce electrical noise once the lines are energized, an Idaho Power release said.

Idaho Power said that, because these connections are far above ground level, the sound is more intense than an underground explosive and can be heard for several miles.

“Idaho Power Company recognizes the inconvenience the construction activities may cause, and we appreciate your understanding,” the release said.

More kids’ dance classes planned in Homedale

The children’s dance classes offered at Homedale Christian Church are expanding.

A new session of classes begin Friday and will run through the summer.

New classes that will be added are Mommy & Me for ages 1-2 and a boys’ class for ages 3-5. Both will be offered on Wednesday. Call instructor Laryssa Takashige at (208) 350-3202 for more information.

Other Wednesday classes include Creative Movement (ages 3-4) from 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. and Beginning ballet (ages 5-7) from 4:15 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The church is located at 110 W. Montana Ave.

Classes cost \$25 per month.

# Senior menus

**Homedale**

*Each meal includes beverage*

May 5: Ham & beans, mixed vegetables, corn bread, beverage  
May 6: Beef burritos, refried beans, rice, beverage  
May 11: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli, roll, beverage  
May 12: Sausage & biscuits, country gravy, carrots, potato, beverage

**Marsing**

May 5: Soup & sandwich bar, assorted meat & vegetable soup, salad bar, fruit, cookie  
May 6: Happy Mother’s Day turkey ala’ king, baked beans, carrots, broccoli, peas, potatoes, juice, pears, biscuit, custard w/raisins  
May 10: Breakfast to order: French toast  
May 11: Chicken enchiladas, peas & carrots, rice, peaches, apple raisin crisp  
May 12: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, tossed salad, garlic roll, strawberry cream jello cake

**Rimrock**

May 6: Liver & onions, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, roll, jello w/fruit, brownies  
May 11: Beef stew, potatoes, carrots, celery, onions, biscuits, peaches in dessert

# Partnership adds options to Lizard Butte reading programs

The Lizard Butte Library summer reading program is partnering with the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office to offer additional services for its summer reading program, library director Janna Streibel said in a release Friday.

“We will be able to offer some very fun program ideas for the teen book club,” Streibel said. “Please come in during the week of May 10 to cast your vote for activities.”

The teen book club will be held on Thursdays at 3 p.m. at the library, starting June 3.

The summer reading program for elementary students is slated for Tuesdays at 3 p.m., beginning June 1.

“We will also be working with the extension office, and will be doing some gardening and maybe even some quilting,” Streibel said.

To sign up, contact the library 896-4690, or by e-mail at lizard-buttelibrary@yahoo.com, with the child’s name and grade.

**Locals on EOU Dean’s List**

Three students with Owyhee ties qualified for the Eastern Oregon University Dean’s List for the winter term in La Grande, Ore.:

**Adrian, Ore.** — Claudia Beltran  
**Homedale** — Wade Hyer  
**Jordan Valley, Ore.** — Joaquina Naegle

More than 480 EOU students made the Dean’s List by carrying a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale while completing a minimum of 12 hours of graded coursework for the duration of the term.

# Death notices

**MYRLE R. JONES**, 85, of Caldwell and formerly of Homedale, died Thursday, April 29, 2010, in a Caldwell hospital. Services were held Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Burial was at the Wilder cemetery.

**FLOY LENTFER**, 92, of Homedale, died Saturday, May 1, 2010 at home. Arrangements are pending with Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale.

# School menus

**Homedale Elementary**

May 5: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, potato wedges, cake, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 6: Enchilada or corn dog, scalloped potatoes, brownie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 7: Cheese pizza or PB&J, tossed salad, cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 10: Hamburger or French dip, baked beans, sugar cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 11: Nachos or baked potato, cinnamon breadstick, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 12: Chicken nuggets or egg rolls, rice pilaf, mixed vegetables, fortune cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

**Homedale Middle**

May 5: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 6: Nachos or baked potato, rice krispie treat, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 7: Chicken tenders or chicken fried beefsteak, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 10: Hamburger or hot dog, tots, cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 11: Chicken nuggets or egg roll, rice, veggie, fortune cookie, fruit & veggie bar, milk.  
May 12: Burrito or fish sandwich, corn, apple crisp, fruit & veggie bar, milk.

**Homedale High**

May 5: Idaho haystack, burrito or pizza hot pocket, fruit & salad bar, cinnamon roll, milk.  
May 6: Chicken patty, deli sandwich or popcorn chicken, potato wedges, soup, fruit & salad bar, cookie, milk.  
May 7: Crispito or rib-b-que, corn, taco salad, fruit bar, milk.  
May 10: Pizza, popcorn chicken or chef salad, fruit bar, brownie, milk.  
May 11: Chicken fried beef steak or chicken filet, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit bar, milk.  
May 12: Spaghetti, burrito or pizza hot pocket, string cheese, French bread, fruit bar, milk.


**Marsing**

May 3: Soup, corn, roll, chicken fried steak, salad & fruit bar, milk.  
May 4: Wiener wrap, veggie, sandwich, dessert, salad & fruit bar, milk.  
May 5: Pizza, garden salad, baked potato, dessert, salad & fruit bar, milk.  
May 6: Burrito, hot dog/chorizos, dessert, salad & fruit bar, milk.  
May 7: Chicken burger, carrot sticks, soup, dessert, salad & fruit bar, milk.  
May 10: Nachos, celery sticks, cook’s choice, salad & fruit bar, milk.  
May 11: Breakfast for lunch. Chicken burger, salad & fruit bar, milk.  
May 12: Enchilada casserole & rice, garden salad, chicken fajita, salad & fruit bar, milk.

**Bruneau**

May 5: Cheese yum, vegetable soup, fruit, cookie, milk.  
May 6: Chili cheese wedges, tossed salad, cinnamon roll, fruit, milk.  
May 7: Turkey & cheese sandwich, chips, veggie, fruit, cookie, milk.  
May 10: Corn dog, tots, fruit, cookie, milk.  
May 11: Ham & cheese sandwich, chips, veggie, fruit, cookie, milk.  
May 12: Chicken wrap, fried rice, stir fry veggie, fruit, milk.

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# Calendar

## Today

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

**Benefit taco feed**  
5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Homedale LDS church, 708 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 899-9282

**Rimrock High School concert**  
7 p.m., band and choir, Rimrock auditorium, 39678 Hwy. 78, Bruneau

**Marsing Paw PACK banquet**  
7:30 p.m. dinner, 8 p.m. awards, Marsing school district cafeteria

## 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 Rod and Gun Club meeting**  
7 p.m., Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. E., Homedale. (208) 463-4383

**Rimrock High School play**  
7 p.m., Rimrock auditorium, 39678 Hwy. 78, Bruneau

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

**Owyhee County Fair Board meeting**  
8 p.m., county fairgrounds, Homedale. (208) 337-4575

## Friday

**Owyhee Gardeners plant sale**  
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Owyhee Greenhouse, Hwy. 78, Marsing

**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.

**Library game night**  
6:30 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

## Saturday

**Owyhee Gardeners plant sale**  
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Owyhee Greenhouse, Hwy. 78, Marsing

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

**Jordan Valley High School graduation**  
7 p.m., new high school gymnasium, Jordan Valley

**Rimrock High School play**  
7 p.m., Rimrock auditorium, 39678 Hwy. 78, Bruneau

## Sunday

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

## Monday

**Homedale Public Library board meeting**  
10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale

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

**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

**Melba school board meeting**  
4 p.m., district office board room, 600 Broadway Ave.

**Owyhee County Democrats meeting**  
6 p.m., the Spot Pizza Parlor, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing

**Homedale school board meeting**  
7 p.m., district office board room, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

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

## Tuesday

**Library 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

**El-Ada commodity distribution**  
1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Owyhee County El-Ada office, 15 W. Colorado Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4812

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

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

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

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

## Wednesday

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

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

**Grand View City Council meeting**  
7 p.m., Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2700, Monday through Wednesday

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

## Thursday, May 13

**El-Ada commodity distribution**  
10:15 a.m., old Merc building, corner of Ruth and Belle, Bruneau. (208) 337-4812

**El-Ada commodity distribution**  
11 a.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 337-4812

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

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

**Owyhee Gardeners monthly meeting**  
1 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-5474

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

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# American cartoon icon provided D-Day password for Allies

The password for the Allies on D-Day was ... “Mickey Mouse”.

Shoeless Joe Jackson was the only baseball player to bat over .400 as a rookie. In his first year as a major league player, he hit .408 for the Cleveland Indians in 1911.

Basketball got its name from its inventor ... James Naismith in December 1891 ... was first played using half-bushel peach baskets as the goals.

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George Custer paid \$127.80 for an insurance premium just before the Battle of the Little Big Horn ... it was a \$5,000 death benefit policy.

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The Pathfinders show off their award. Back row, from left, Tracy Gibson, Jamie Sackett, Josh Wolher, Karl Riebow, Amanda Thompson, and director Jeff Kluchesky. Middle row: Josh Sackett, Chase Martell, Wyatt Gibson, Hailie Martell and Alexis Thompson. Front row: Amy Kluchesky, Gabby Martell and Portia Kluchesky. Submitted photo

# Homedale Hawks Pathfinders nab gold

The Homedale Hawks Pathfinders returned from their annual conference at the Gem State Academy in Caldwell with a first-place finish in drill team, and, for the second year in a row, the Share Your Faith Memorial Award, Pathfinders leader Amy Kluchesky said in a release Monday.

The Share Your Faith Memorial Award is presented in honor of Alicia Clarene Leary and Jared James William Leary.

Some of the things the award

recognized the club for included donating food to Idaho Humane Society, singing at the Homedale Owyhee Health and Rehab, adopting two dorm students at Gem State, taking flowers to a hospitalized Homedale resident, visiting the elderly and donating blankets and money to Haiti.

The club also took a camping trip in Sumpter and visited the Oregon Trail Museum, as well as being involved in activities like bowling and the Pinewood Derby.



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# Music, comedy on tap at Rimrock

Entertainment opportunities will be offered at Rimrock High school this week, beginning with a concert tonight.

The Rimrock band and choir will perform beginning at 7 p.m. today inside the school's auditorium, 39678 Hwy. 78 in Bruneau.

The free concert will be under the direction of Janilee Macleod.

On Thursday and Saturday, the Rimrock Drama Club, under Macleod's direction, presents the comedy "The Fearsome Pirate Frank — A Shameless Hopping onto the Popular Pirate Ship" by Pay Lydersen.

Performances begin at 7 p.m. each day. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for senior citizens and students.

# Weather

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April 28	71	43	.00
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# Sales contract pending on COSSA engineering building

Proceeds part of matching funds for tech center grant

The first of three Homedale buildings owned by the Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency is under contract to be sold — the first step in amassing more matching funds for the regional technical center.

COSSA director Mark Cotner confirmed Friday that a Homedale businessman is in negotiations to buy the Automated Industrial Engineering building on West Idaho Avenue.

Sealed bids were solicited with a legal notice in the Idaho Press-Tribune and a classified ad in The Owyhee Avalanche, and Cotner said only one party came forward. The building has been appraised at \$83,000, and Cotner said it cannot be sold for less than that.

Cotner said the paint booth in the former auto body building is included in the sale, but the automobile frame straightener was traded to another professional technical education program in Boise.

COSSA recently sold the Center Point High School building to the Vallivue School District for \$140,000, Cotner said.

Appraisal is now under way for the COSSA welding building in Homedale, which Cotner said could go on the market in the next couple months. The Auto-Diesel building next door to the welding classroom is slated to hit the market sometime during the 2010-2011 school year.

Proceeds from the real estate sales are part of the matching funds COSSA used to secure a federal grant to help build its \$5 million regional technical center and alternative high school in Wilder.

Work continues on securing more grant funding. Voters in the five school districts served by COSSA — Homedale, Marsing, Wilder, Parma and Notus — passed levies or bonds last year to help pay for the center.

—JPB

# Marsing welder wins scholarship at contest

Marsing High School senior Taylor Aikens won a scholarship to Idaho State University during the Rocky Mountain Shootout welding contest in Pocatello.

Aikens finished third in the pipe tests as part of instructor Mark Bauer's Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency welding students who competed in the Rocky Mountain Shootout on April 22-24.

Other students from the Homedale-based program who made the trip included Homedale junior Phillip Moulton and seniors Thomas Oakley and Jose Gonzalez. Parma students Cody McDaniel, a junior, and Cody Deleon, a senior, also competed.

About 70 professional technical

students from Idaho entered the competition.

Like Aikens, Gonzalez and Parma's Nick So also have signed up for the ISU welding program.

Aikens was among six COSSA students to compete in the Skills USA structural welding state competition April 8-9 in Boise.

Zack Hayes, another Marsing High student, finished ninth, while Homedale's Alex Harden was 12th, Aikens 14th and Moe Hampton of Parma 15th.

Gonzalez and Parma's Gustavo Olmos rounded out the half-dozen COSSA seniors at the meet, which consisted of aluminum welding, oxy fuel cutting, building from a welding print, presenting a resume and taking a written test.

# Woodworking show tops slew of Rimrock events

Rimrock High School will be a busy place next Wednesday with three different events.

The 29<sup>th</sup> annual Woodshop, Cabinetmaking/Millwork and Arts and Crafts Show will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Industrial arts teacher Gary Jones announced the show.


A barbecue sponsored by the school's Family, Career and Community Leaders of America chapter will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. the same day.

Cost is \$4 per person, \$3 for senior citizens and children 12 and younger. A family of four or fewer can eat for \$10.



At 7:30 p.m. next Wednesday, the school's All-Sports Award Banquet will be held at 7:30 p.m. inside the school's auditorium.

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Math skills means money for sick children

Sherry Jaca’s Jordan Valley Elementary School class recently raised nearly \$1,500 for St. Jude Children Research Hospital. The students included, back row from left: Skyler Forsythe, Brandon Roe, Wade Raine, Hayden Davis, Taylor Warn, Regann Skinner and Zeke Quintero; middle row from left: Cheyenne Davis and T.J. Davis; and front row, from left: Don Youren, Baylee Davis and Kort Skinner. Submitted photo

Elementary students raise funds with brains

A dozen Jordan Valley Elementary School students recently put their math skills to the test for a good cause. Second-, third- and fourth-graders taught by Sherry Jaca took part in a Math-a-thon and raised \$1,475 for the St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. The children secured pledges before tackling the booklet of math problems supplied by St. Jude. Pledges were based on how many math problems the children could solve. “It helps them be better math students, and it did something for other people,” Jaca said. This is at least the second time Jordan Valley students have taken part in the springtime activity. Jaca said seventh- and eighth-graders taught by Andree Scown took part in the past as did children from Pleasant Valley School. St. Jude is one of the nation’s leading research hospital and specializes in fighting cancer and other childhood diseases. — JPB

Mussel check stations open in Owyhee

Anyone towing boats through Owyhee County will have to pull over for an inspection, according to an April 26 release from the Idaho State Department of Agriculture. The zebra and quagga mussel check stations in Owyhee County are the first to open this year. One is located near the intersection of Idaho highways 51 and 78 near Bruneau, and the second returned to U.S. Highway 95 near Marsing. Both opened April 27. Additional stations will open statewide as the weather warms, the release said. Owyhee County stations were the first to open in Idaho, said Lloyd Knight, administrator of the division of plant industries for the ISDA. The division includes the office of invasive species. While last year saw the ISDA operating with an independent contractor at its stations, this year the department changed things up, Knight said. The two stations are open in conjunction with the Bruneau Soil and Water Conservation District, and administrative support from the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office, where Sgt. Kenny Hoagland is acting as administrator for the program, according to Sheriff Daryl Crandall. “Our main effort was to find quasi-government organizations that could run these contracts ... and who had a passion for the issue,” Knight said. “The sheriff and the district have been outstanding to work with.” The stations are crewed by 12, six posse members and six inspectors, all of them trained through the ISDA program as boat inspectors, Crandall said. The dozen part-time positions are paid with money raised through the sale of the invasive species stickers mandatory on boats, Knight said, and funds are distributed through the conservation district. “We had no issue with the contractor,” Knight said of the new program design, “but we wanted to try this model.”

Having the Posse members on-site is a new angle. “The Posse members will be there as inspectors and as a law enforcement presence, as the law requires a mandatory stop of all boats to be inspected and be given a sticker to show they have been inspected,” Crandall said. “Any boat coming out of Lake Mead must have a letter of decontamination from the State of Nevada.” Stations will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., seven days a week. Boats will be inspected for any attached mussels and/or standing water. Owners also will be asked where they have boated in the previous 30 days. It is important that boaters arrive in Idaho with a clean, drained and dry watercraft, the release said. For information, call Amy Ferriter at (208) 332-8686 or email to amy.ferriter@agri.idaho.gov. — MML

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# Technology aimed to enhance students' learning

## Homedale, Marsing, Melba get money for training, tools

Three school districts that serve Owyhee County students have received federal grants with an eye toward increasing student achievement through technology.

Homedale and Melba received \$50,000 Title II-D: Classrooms of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century grants, while Marsing got a \$49,875 award. The three school districts were among 50 statewide to receive grants.

About one-third of the money will be dedicated to professional development through Idaho State University. The remaining funds from each grant will be used to purchase equipment, such as interactive whiteboards, projectors and student response systems, commonly referred to as “clickers” that allow teachers to gauge lesson comprehension immediately in a classroom setting.

Homedale will install eight whiteboards and projectors in selected classrooms in the high school and middle school. The equipment and professional development is aimed at improving math and reading scores and language proficiency, a district official said.

“Interactive whiteboards and interactive applications are the centerpiece of technology of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Classroom and are in demand for teachers who want to engage their students in learning and energize classroom teaching,” Homedale School District instructional technology coordinator Phyllis Beck said.

Beck said professional development included teachers taking 16 hours of instruction on the new

hardware and software.

“... In today’s world, technology enables people to communicate, learn, share, collaborate and create, to think and solve problems, to manage their work,” Beck said. “Therefore, Homedale School District must also support teachers and students in purposefully designed programs which specifically facilitate these 21<sup>st</sup> century skills.”

Beck pointed out that education ranked last in a study that gauged technology use among 55 industries in the United States.

“Certainly by receiving the awarded grant funds and by working together with ISU, the ability to improve that statistic within the Homedale School District is greatly improved,” she said.

Marsing will add student response systems and projectors to middle school and high school classrooms. The student response systems, which can be as basic as a couple of buttons or as sophisticated as a keypad allowing the student to make several choices, is a hit among teachers, high school principal Wade Pilloud said.

The wireless “clickers” both allow an instructor to quiz students in real-time and discretely pinpoint which children are having difficulty with a lesson without revealing to the entire class which of their peers are struggling.

At Marsing Middle School, worn-out projectors will be replaced, and every core classroom now will have a student response system, interactive whiteboard and digital projector.

“I am really excited about this

opportunity to round out our pretty solid pallet of tech tools,” Marsing Middle School principal Paul Webster said. “Bottom line, the tools in this grant are geared towards engaging students in learning.

“Students who are engaged learn at a much higher rate than those who just sit back and listen.”

Melba plans to add similar pieces of technology with its grant, according to superintendent Bob Larson.

According to the release, the school district plans to increase classroom performance by integrating technology into curriculum and instruction. But that strategy is nothing new for Melba, which began upgrading technology for its teachers 10 years ago with the addition of Microsoft Outlook e-mail as well as word

processing and spreadsheet applications. The ball got rolling with a \$250,000 grant from the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation, Larson said.

“It’s kind of a new world out there,” Larson said. “There’s a real need to re-tool teachers with these 21<sup>st</sup> century skills.”

The superintendent said faculty resistance to that new world has waned over the past decade.

“Now we have teachers coming in saying, ‘Where are these things? This is what I have to have in my classroom,’” Larson said.

Larson said teachers also use student response systems to monitor who well students pick up lessons.

“It gives the teachers that kind of feedback so they know if the students have learned the material right then and there or whether they have to go back and re-teach

at that point,” Larson said, adding that the school district already had four student response systems prior to the latest grant.

Melba will get six interactive whiteboards, which are also called Smartboards. The equipment also includes iPads, E-readers and a video camera.

The technology had been deployed in the middle school and high school, but Larson said elementary school students will benefit from this latest grant. Interactive whiteboards now will be available for all fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade teachers.

The outgoing superintendent is positive that the technology has put more students on the path to success.

“The results are there,” Larson said. “We’ve seen it in our school.”

— JPB

# Hearing planned for arena ordinance

After being reminded a step had been overlooked, the Homedale City Council has set a public hearing on a proposed ordinance amendment that would add roping arenas to the list of allowed uses in industrial zones.

The council set the public hearing for 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 13. The vote came at the council’s last meeting after The Owyhee Avalanche questioned a discussion regarding a proposed indoor roping arena to be located off U.S. Highway 95.

Building inspector Steve Pierson, making a rare appearance at a council meeting, began discussing the plan review for the proposed arena at which time the council was questioned how the process could go forward if no ordinance was in place. The ordinance amendment must be adopted before a building permit can be issued and construction can begin.

Land preparation already has begun at the U.S. 95 site. That’s

legal without a building permit, city officials said.

Planning and Zoning administrator Sylvia Bahem reported to the council on April 7 that the city’s P&Z commission had approved the ordinance amendment proposal during a public hearing two days earlier.

“This goes along with the city comp plan to give agriculturally related operations priority,” Bahem told the council at the time. The council took no action on a public hearing after her report.

The ordinance amendment also allows roping arenas — either indoor or outdoor — in commercial zones with a special permit.

Bahem also said that P&Z commissioners, after another April 5 public hearing, approved zoning changes specific to 17 properties — both residential and commercial — that are in the city’s old industrial zone.

No council hearing is set.

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Store owner Dennis Pruett, right, waits on a customer inside the new Pruett Lumber location next to Pruett Tire Center north of Industrial Road on U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale. The store at 328 Hwy. 95 is open from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. The store can be reached at 337-5588.

Job’s Daughters meet tonight

Caldwell’s Bethel No. 8 Job’s Daughters of Idaho will hold their next meeting this evening, starting at 7 p.m. at the Masonic lodge hall at 19 W. Idaho Ave. in Homedale. The Masons from Silver City Lodge No. 13 will

be hosting the Bethel. Organizers offered a special invitation to all of the past Job’s Daughters in the area to attend the meeting. Persons wishing to receive more information about the Order are encouraged to attend, as well.

Story, crafts on tap at Homedale library

“I Ain’t Gonna Paint No More!” by Karen Beaumont is the featured story for the Homedale Public Library story time, set for 10:15 a.m. Friday. Songs, refreshments and crafts will accompany the story of a boy who paints everything in sight—floor, ceiling, curtains and walls — until Mama catches him. “You ain’t gonna paint no more!” she tells him and hides the paint way up high. Come find out what happens when the paint is taken out again. The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. Call the library at

337-4228 between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. for more information. **Tween and Teen meets** Children ages 10 to 17 can personalize pencils and decorate them at the next Tween and Teen gathering at the Homedale library from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday. There will be a door prize drawing and a chance to vote for Survivor. Popcorn will be served as a snack. Parents also are welcome. For more information, call the library and ask for Sara.

More pavement work set for Idaho 51

U.S. 95 pavement rehab prep work south of Homedale ongoing

As roadwork continues on U.S. Highway 95 between Homedale and Marsing, the Idaho Transportation Department announced that more pavement rehabilitation is scheduled for southern Owyhee County. Twenty miles of Idaho highway 51 is scheduled for resurfacing beginning later this month, but the project could start as mid-June, an

ITD press release said. The 20-mile stretch of Idaho 51 ranges from the Nevada state line to Sheep Creek Road, about 50 miles south of Bruneau. The \$1.9 million project by Valley Paving & Asphalt Co. of Cottonwood is expected to take four to six weeks. The work entails a thin overlay of asphalt measuring about 1.8 inches thick on the first 11.4 miles of the route. Afterward, the entire 20-mile stretch will be seal coated.

Meanwhile, preparation continues for the U.S. 95 resurfacing project scheduled for western Owyhee County this summer. A crew of state workers completed culvert work on the highway near Thompson Road on April 20, marking the end of a 15-day closure of a portion of the highway. Cleanup and grading was completed last week. ITD spokesman Reed Hollinshead said state crews will continue the shoulder-widening project slated to run from the U.S. 95-Idaho 55 junction to the U.S. 95 intersection with Kansas Avenue south of the Homedale city limits. Resurfacing is scheduled for the same stretch of U.S. 95 as well as a part of the highway south of its junction with Idaho 55. Hollinshead said the final design stage of the project was set to end last week with the work going out to bid in about a month. Hollinshead announced last week that Idaho Sand & Gravel is the apparent low bidder for a 20-mile pavement rehabilitation project on Idaho 78. The \$2.65 million project is expected to start in July or August. The work will include the stretch of Idaho 78 from its junction with Idaho 55 to Givens Hot Springs and then from Givens to the highway’s junction with Idaho 45.

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The candidate elected on May 25 must have a deep understanding of water law, must be committed to following the constitutional and statutory law on water, and must have an established track record of fairness and impartiality in water cases. That person is Roger Burdick.

Roger Burdick served for three years as presiding judge in the Snake River Basin Adjudication until he was appointed to the Idaho Supreme Court by Governor Kempthorne in 2003. Justice Burdick has the experience, knowledge, and dedication to the rule of law that are needed to fairly and impartially decide the complicated water issues that will confront the Supreme Court.

Roger’s opponent, Judge John Bradbury, does not have a known track record on water issues. Based on a June 30, 1998 article in the Lewiston Tribune entitled “Valley Advised to Choose Either Drawdowns or Breaching,” it appears Judge Bradbury misunderstands critical water issues. According to the Tribune article, “he said, too many people don’t understand the political impetus in southern Idaho, where breaching is seen as a way to save water for agriculture.” Most water users would see the issue just the reverse of what Bradbury thinks it is—most people think breaching would jeopardize water for agriculture. This misunderstanding of an elementary fact is very troubling.

We can’t afford to gamble Idaho’s water future. We urgently request your support for Roger Burdick, a man with a proven track record on water issues. Please tell your friends and neighbors to re-elect Roger Burdick on May 25.

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# Court fines Marsing meth-maker \$10,000

Timothy Dale Smitherman, 32, found guilty last week of drug trafficking and probation violation after his arrest at a house containing a meth lab near Marsing on March 25, was fined \$10,000, in addition to his two-to-10 year sentence previously reported. Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan presided.

Gabriel Ponce of Homedale

faces almost \$1,000 in fines connected with a trio of misdemeanors charged after a Feb. 24 arrest. Ponce, 19, was found guilty of possession of a controlled substance, disturbing the peace and being a minor consuming alcohol. He will be on supervised probation for two years, and has had his driver's license suspended for 90 days. Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober presided.

Homedale resident Karla F. Fisher, 49, was given one year of supervised probation and will pay fines and fees of \$350 after being found guilty of misdemeanor battery. Fisher was arrested Feb. 24. Grober presided.

Grand View's James Casey Meyers, 39, was found guilty to

a reduced charge of disturbing the peace.

He had been charged with misdemeanor domestic violence-violation of a protection order in September 2009. He was issued a \$200 fine. Grober presided.

Armando Martinez, 18, of Marsing did not contest charges

and entered a disposition of true to two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia. He was given one year of supervised probation and 30 community service hours, plus 10 days discretionary jail time. Grober presided.

— MML

## OCA pickup raffle tickets go on sale

The 14<sup>th</sup> annual Owyhee Cattle-men's Association Heritage Fund property rights raffle has begun.

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Drawing, P.O. Box 32, Murphy, ID 83650.

The truck is on display at Peterson's at the Idaho Center Auto Mall, and will be on tour at some of events in Owyhee County, including the Jordan Valley Rodeo next month and the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo in August.

Only 500 tickets will be sold. The drawing will be held Oct. 31 or two weeks after tickets run out.

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# Bentz: New focus vital to combat pot grows

## Agencies need to shift target to deal with “cancer”

“One of the beautiful things about the western United States is that it’s rugged and beautiful,” Malheur County Sheriff Andrew Bentz said in a phone interview Wednesday. “And while there was a lot that could kill you — your horse could kill you, the weather could kill you — it was all Mother Nature. I never, ever, in my wildest dreams, thought that the threat would come from foreign, armed criminal organizations.”

Bentz recently gave an interview about grows to The Oregonian, later picked up by the Associated Press, that missed that point, he said. The issue of pot gardens in the Steens, in the White Horse area and in the Owyhees isn’t just about a leafy plant to him.

“But that’s what happens when you start talking about marijuana,” Bentz observed. People bring their own views, Bentz said, pro or con, legalization or clampdown, and inaccurate visions of 60s hippie-farm pot grows to a problem that has changed into something newer, bigger and more dangerous.

“Two things struck me a couple of months back,” Bentz said. “We have foreign, armed criminal organizations that have taken chunks of our land. This is a basic American problem.” Simultaneously, he said, enforcement agencies from local law enforcement, state and federal agencies continue to do business on counting birds and fish, looking for topped trees, determining just how many of what plant grows where.

All of which requires funding, he said. Funding that exists now.

“It’s like you’re spending \$500 a month on braces, and you get diagnosed with cancer. You stop worrying about the teeth and deal with the thing that’s killing you,” Bentz said.

Bentz is asking other agencies to rethink this and adjust their priorities in the short term.

“We’re doing all that while

foreign, armed criminals are controlling the best water, the best soil, historically significant areas, and tearing it up, damaging it and pouring chemicals into source waters,” he said. “We have spots with 1,000-year old Indian caves, now tagged with gang-type graffiti because that’s where they’ve been living and farming.”

He thinks what is needed to stop the cartel-based grows exists. It’s just not focused where it needs to be.

“The money’s there and being spent,” he said of funding in place with organizations running the gamut from the Bureau of Land Management to U.S. Fish and Wildlife. “What we need is a review of the priorities in the short-term.”

“I don’t care if they were growing radishes,” Bentz said, dismissing marijuana itself as a lesser concern than the activities of armed growers who are having an increasing and potentially deadly impact on wilderness areas and resource industries. “What’s being done isn’t the point.” Realizing that the growers need to climb to the top of the triage ladder and be dealt with by all agencies impacted, is the point, he said.

This is the busy season for Bentz and others in northwest areas plagued by pot growers.

“You have to keep at it,” he said. “They go in in mid-April. You have to stop it in April, and again in May, and again in June. If you can stop it through June, they can’t grow. It’s a business, and if you can stop it...”

Stopping it is important to Bentz, who worries that safety suffers more each year.

“Public safety, that’s supposed to be our job,” he said. “Be proactive, see what’s going to happen. Do I feel like I’m crying in the dark? Certainly.” He worries he’ll wind up having to say ‘I told you so’ some time in the future,



Marijuana seized last year in a pot garden raid near South Mountain is burned. Large pot growing operations on public lands in the West have seen increases in the size of the operations, and numbers of plants seized. OCSO photo

he said.

“We’ve had folks assaulted,” Bentz said. He said that people have been loath to report interactions with the growers, though he believes they are becoming more common.

“We don’t know (how common it is). It’s become pretty apparent that (in close encounters) the victims take the threats very, very seriously. So we don’t hear anything,” Bentz said. “The trend (of close encounters) is increasing, and trends are everything in this business.”

“Some of the so-called experts will tell you the numbers aren’t growing, just the size of the operations,” he said. “Oh, that’s odd. We’ve only been at this 10 years. There’s certainly more. There’s billions of dollars

involved.”

The novel nature of the situation isn’t lost on Bentz.

“Think back in history,” Bentz said. “Think of the last time you went into the great vastness we enjoy out there with a military mindset.” He likened the growers and their armed threat to the Indian wars a century and a half and more ago. “That was the last time you had to watch for snipers, keep an eye out for people and booby traps.”

“They (growers) have taken your and my land. In some places, that’s an act of war,” Bentz said.

— MML

Below: Seedling pot plants from an Owyhee County marijuana garden operation. OCSO photo



Last year’s White Horse grow in Malheur County required dump trucks to haul away the massive amount of marijuana from a complex of cartel grows. MCSO photo

# Owyhee pot grows equally dangerous

“The threat is very real, as is the danger,” Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall said last week. “These people are in a multi-million dollar business and will do whatever it takes to get their crop to harvest.”

Much like last year’s potentially deadly contacts between growers and Malheur County residents, those in Owyhee County have had their own conflicts with the criminals.

“The Juniper Mountain grow last year was a result of a run-in with the growers,” Crandall said.

Crandall offered positive words for federal involvement in Owyhee County pot garden operations.

“We have a strong chain of communication and cooperation with the Law Enforcement side of BLM (Bureau of Land Management) and DEA (Drug Enforcement Administration),” he said. “We have worked well together in the past and I look forward to working with them in the future. They can provide us with almost any resource we may need. We need to be providing more on our side. With our constricted budget we may not be able provide the level of coverage to the county residents as we would like to because of loss of coverage hours.”

Crandall, like Malheur County Sheriff Andrew Bentz, praised the National Guard units that had lent aid and helicopters to spotting and interdiction work.

“The National Guard, in the past, has brought out a Blackhawk helicopter to help with eradication, the problem is that to operate this kind of equipment is expensive. I lobbied this last year in Washington D.C., trying to get the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) money from the feds, but to no avail.”

The HIDTA program enhances and coordinates drug control efforts among local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies under the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP). The program provides agencies with coordination, equipment, technology and additional resources to combat drug trafficking and its consequences in critical regions of the United States, according to ONDCP literature.

Oregon locations declared as HIDTA include Clackamas, Deschutes, Douglas, Jackson, Marion, Multnomah, Umatilla and Washington counties. There are no designated HIDTA locations in Idaho.

As to what it would take to best fight the problem, Crandall said it would be “money, equipment, and at times, personnel.”

— MML



# Hot Rods, Hot Jobs and Hot Dogs

## Owyhee career fair deemed a success

Organizers are looking forward to more vendors and even better results next year when the Hot Rods, Hot Jobs and Hot Dogs career fair returns to the fairgrounds.

Students from five school districts — including Homedale and Marsing — took part in the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency and Idaho Department of Labor venture Friday.

“I think it came off good,” COSSA director Mark Cotner said. “I was sweating it with the rain.”

Several employers had information booths, and middle school and high school students were able to have some fun while

learning about careers. In all, there were about 50 vendors in attendance.

Classic car buffs, including COSSA instructor Mark Bauer, brought in about 25 vehicles for the adjacent car show.

Cotner and Department of Labor representative Jeff Tesch were happy with the results, saying that the event will return next “bigger and better”.

“We’ve got a lot of good people working and pulling for us on this, and I can tell you that if it wasn’t for them it wouldn’t have been as good,” Tesch said of the support furnished by vendors and organizers.

— JPB



### Make-A-Wish winner joins show

Greenleaf resident Mike Smith preps his Ford T-Bucket roadster for Friday’s car show at the fairgrounds. Smith was the winner of the Make-A-Wish raffle at the Northwest Motorfest last summer.



### HMS students try hand a shovel races

Homedale Middle Schoolers Dylan Sharp, an eighth-grader, front, and seventh-grader Andy Martinez take part in the backhoe races near the COSSA welding station Friday at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds. The object was the fill a plastic bucket with gravel faster than anyone else.



### Building trades stop tests speed

Notus eighth-grader Tyler Goodson takes aim at a nail during the speed nail-driving contest at the Building Trades station as COSSA student Denton Jensen from Parma keeps time.



### Bungee 1, student 0

Cody Houghton of Parma flies backwards after the bungee cord gets the better of him in a resistance race at the fairgrounds Friday.





Capt. Charlie Garrison makes the presentation of certificate and plaque to Owyhee Lnes and Restaurant co-owner Donna Marose on Friday

# Soldiers thank local restaurant owners

Alpha Company of the Idaho Army National Guard 116<sup>th</sup> Brigade Combat Team showed its appreciation for Homedale cuisine Friday, when members presented Donna Marose of Owyhee Lanes with a certificate of appreciation and a plaque, thanking her and her staff for the meals they have enjoyed at the restaurant.

“I was really surprised. It was really nice,” Marose said of the honor. “It’s a privilege for us to have them here.”

Alpha Company enjoys its chances to eat a meal at the restaurant, and wanted to show its appreciation, Guardsmen present all agreed.

“I’ve never had a complaint, it’s always the other way,” Capt. Charlie Garrison, Homedale resident, said. His soldiers always ask

if they can go to the restaurant, rather than have pizza or wolf down an MRE (Meal, Ready to Eat), he said.

The flexibility of Marose and her staff, who are always ready to deal with extra mouths to feed, won praise from Staff Sgt. Brannon Williams “It’s never a stress,” he said of last-minute calls and changes. “I don’t have to worry about it.”

Marose said that while the troops love come close to eating everything in sight, so far the staff has always managed to feed everyone, even when unexpected extras arrive.

“They go above and beyond with their meals,” Williams said. “The problem is keeping them (the soldiers) awake in the afternoon.”

— MML

# Tractors roll for benefit

Antique tractors will rumble from Homedale to Marsing and back this month to help a club member cover medical costs.

Norm Keesler of the Treasure Valley Antique Power Association announced plans for a May 15 tractor drive that will follow back roads from Homedale City Park to the Marsing High School gymnasium and back.

“We’re doing it for a fundraiser for charity,” Keesler said, adding that one of the club members, Jay Stevens, lost his wife, Katherine, in a car accident that also seriously injured his daughter, KateLyn.

KateLyn, who lives in Emmett, continues to cope with chronic back problems after surgeries. Her father is now unemployed and facing large medical bills, according to the TVAPA.

The club is giving away a new John Deere LA135 lawn and garden tractor with a bagger unit and cart. Raffle tickets for the machine, which was purchased through Campbell Tractor. The drawing takes place at the Oct. 2 pull in Emmett.

For more information on the fundraiser, contact Gayle Eaton at (208) 362-4385 or Judi Thompson at (208) 887-7688. Donations can be mailed to TVAPA, P.O. Box 94, Nampa, ID 83653.

For more information on the

tractor drive, call Keesler at (208) 880-4323.

The May 15 tractor drive will push off from City Park in Homedale at 10 a.m., Keesler said. The group will stop in Marsing for doughnuts and coffee and then return to Homedale by 12:30 p.m. for a barbecue in the park.

Keesler expects about 15 tractors, but welcomes more into the fray. Tractors built between 1935 and 1960 are eligible for the trip, and there’s a \$10 entry fee. Anyone can enter a tractor, but Keesler suggests they all buy a \$25 annual TVAPA membership to receive the benefit of the club’s liability insurance.

The route will start out east on Third Street in Homedale and cross U.S. Highway 95 at Industrial Road. The parade of tractors will turn left on Pioneer Road and continue to Jump Creek Road and turn right. From Jump Creek, a left-hand turn will be made onto Market Road and then another left onto Dunlop. Next is a right-hand turn onto Edison and then a left onto Old Bruneau Highway. The tractors turn right onto Idaho highway 55 (Main Street) and then make their way to the high school gym parking lot.

— JPB

# Jordan Valley FFA plant sale starts Friday

*Submitted article*

The Oregon FFA state convention, chapter banquet and plant sales are just a few things that the Jordan Valley FFA chapter has been busy with.

The chapter is currently preparing for fundraising over the Big Loop Rodeo weekend, May 14-16, and plant sales this month.

The chapter will sell a variety of bedding plants, vegetables and hanging baskets. New varieties added to the lineup this year include Felicia, Angelonia, Lobelia (Red) and Linaria. The greenhouse will be open prior to Mothers Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and again May 20-23.

Hanging baskets are \$20, six-pack \$2.75, four-pack \$2.25, variety flat \$16. If you have further questions, call FFA advisor Nick Usabel at Jordan Valley High School (541) 586-2213.

Eleven chapter members served as group leaders for fifth- and sixth-grade students during the April 29 Owyhee Field Day at the Owyhee Dam.

Chapter members were acknowledged for their work throughout the year during the April 22 chapter banquet. Those who received the Greenhand Degree were Kade Eiguren, Tom

Nelson, Ty Warn, Brianna Dill, Tyrel Gleason, Blaine Moran and Nate Elsner. Chapter Degree recipients were Jessica Carson, James Dowell, Jordan Matteri and Taylor Gleason. Bryce Kershner was awarded the DEKALB Agricultural Accomplishment Award.

The Star Chapter Greenhand was awarded to Ty Warn. Warn’s SAE project is lawn care maintenance in which he maintains a pristine appearance of five lawns during the months of May through September.

The Star Chapter Farmer was received by Jessica Carson. Her SAE project consists of three registered Angus cow-calf pairs and one yearly heifer. Carson has logged hours in building fence, feeding and operating equipment. Carson served as chapter historian this past year.

The Star Chapter in Agribusiness was presented to Jordan Matteri. Matteri operates his own business in which he traps animals including muskrats, gophers, and the like. He also raises and sells heifers and steers. Matteri served as the chapter treasurer this past year.

Honorary Degrees were presented to Sam and Bonnie Mackenzie, Kenny and Teresa Kershner, Mark and Juli

Mackenzie. Tracy Skinner, Tara Echave, Dale Johnsson and Kristi Brown were recognized for helping the chapter with different activities throughout the year.

Newly installed officers are president Taylor Gleason, vice-president Garrett Williams, treasurer Dustin Bowers, secretary Jordan Matteri, reporter James Dowell and sentinel Tyrel Gleason.

On April 9, FFA members held an Easter Egg hunt. The event was attended by many despite weather conditions. FFA members worked the week prior to fill 500 plastic eggs with candy for the event.

On March 18, FFA members boarded the bus to make the trip to Corvallis, Ore., for the Oregon FFA State Convention. During convention, FFA members attended general sessions, workshops and committee interviews. The chapter received a gold ranking in the National Chapter Application, compiled by Anne-Marie Eiguren. The application will now compete at the national level. Jordan Matteri received silver on the treasurer’s book and Garrett Williams received bronze on the secretary book. Three members, Sonny Mackenzie, Brandan Mackenzie and Williams received the Oregon FFA State Degree.



## Neither rain nor snow, nor dust devils

The Treasure Valley Antique Power Association’s tractor pull Saturday afternoon in Homedale saw better than two dozen drivers and their vintage tractors match up against the “mule” in tractor pulls by weight class. The event saw a few drops of rain, and one surprise visitor: Above, A dust-devil that swooped across the beet dump and took out the announcer’s booth. No one was injured, and the event carried on after some quick repairs.

Norm Keesler, below, made a full pull of 210 feet on his Ford 8N in the 3EX class, pictured. Tractors ran in 28 classes at the event.





# Campos' dual titles pace young Homedale wrestlers

Youth club corrals six state crowns  
at meet in Nampa

Homedale youth wrestlers captured six championships at the Idaho Kids State tournaments at Columbia High School in Nampa.

"The club would like to thank the coaches and great parents we have," club spokesman Dwayne Fisher said.

Adam Campos, wrestling in the Novice 75-pound class, wrestled back from a first-round defeat to win the Greco Roman title. He decided Brady Barraso of the

Kuna Klub in the title match.

He went unbeaten in seven matches to win the freestyle championship. He pinned Kalob McFarlane of Suples Wrestling School in 33 seconds in the championship match.

Spencer Fisher remained unbeaten on the season, winning the Bantam 60C freestyle championship with a 43-second pin of Cruz Hepburn from the Washington-based Hells Canyon club.

Other Homedale freestyle

champions included:

- Jose Luis Cortez in the Pre-Bantam 75-plus division
- Nash Johnson, who decided James Fisher from Team Bullcatcher in the Novice 90 championship match
- William (Willy) Haun, who won five matches en route to the Pre-Bantam 60 championship

Other freestyle results for Homedale included:

- Pre-Bantam 45B — D'Orr Packer, fourth
- Pre-Bantam 50A — Kade Fenton, fourth; Jace Elumbaugh, fifth
- Pre-Bantam 50B — Colton

Gordon, sixth

- Pre-Bantam 50C — Trenton Fisher, second
- Pre-Bantam 55 — Brantyn VanDyke, fourth
- Bantam 40A — Marcus Garcia, fourth
- Bantam 50A — Joseph Egusquiza, fifth
- Bantam 55A — Michael Babcock, fourth
- Bantam 60A — Jace Love, fifth; Owen Houser, sixth
- Bantam 60B — J.T. Garcia, fourth
- Bantam 70 — Rhyalee Nix, fifth
- Intermediate 65 — Jordan

Packer, seventh; Jaeger Rose, eighth

- Intermediate 80 — Robert Nix, seventh
- Intermediate 103 — Megan Houser, sixth
- Novice 85 — Devon Schoonover, second

Greco Roman results:

- Intermediate 65 — Jaeger Rose, third
- Novice 85 — Schoonover, third
- Novice 90 — Johnson, third
- Schoolboy/girl 120 — Katherine Renz, sixth
- Schoolboy/girl 128 — Matthew Renz, fourth

## Athletes could pay bus fee

Upcoming board meeting topic one idea to raise funds in Homedale

With the budget crunch tightening, Homedale school officials are scrambling to finance athletic transportation for 2010-2011.

The transportation bill for high school and middle school athletics — budgeted at \$29,530 this year and footed by the school district — next year will be passed on to the athletic department.

After a meeting of the Homedale Trojans Athletic Association, HHS athletic director David Hart sent out a plan of attack — fundraisers, fees and sales that could generate the needed funds. The Idaho Scholastic Activities Association has tried to lessen the burden by shortening the seasons in non-revenue sports.

"We estimate that between the high school athletic programs and middle school athletic programs we will need to raise between \$16,000 and \$20,000," Hart told The Owyhee Avalanche.

In a letter to the HTAA, he called that figure "conservative" and said any money made above the cost of transportation would roll over to help fund 2011-2012 needs.

One new element of the funding nexus is charging each athlete a transportation fee. Hart said that idea will be explored during Monday's school board meeting, which starts at 7 p.m. inside the school district office on East

— See **Fee**, page 19



## Pilgrims edge Trojans

Taylor Thomas covers third base against New Plymouth on Thursday. Homedale's softball team lost 3-2 to the visiting Pilgrims, who went ahead in the bottom of the sixth.

Thomas was 1-for-4 with a single.

Homedale plays today at Payette at 5 p.m., then hosts for the 3A District III tournament at Sundance Park on Tuesday, with games slated at 1, 3 and 5 p.m. (See **Page 18**).

Gregg Garrett photo

## Red-hot HHS golfers cruise in Vale match

Reed Maggard continued his streak of good golf Friday, leading Homedale High School to a tournament championship in Vale, Ore.

The freshman missed medalist honors by three strokes, carding a 4-over-par 76 during the 18-hole match.

Senior Ryan Ryska fired a 79 to help Homedale dominate the 11-team field for the championship.

The Trojans scored 318, which was 12 strokes better than second-place La Grande, Ore. La Grande boasted medalist Taylor Mutch (73) and runner-up Mavric Goss (75).

None of Homedale's five players shot higher than 88, and all but Brett Ryska broke 40 on the back nine. Reece Landa fired an 80, Hayden Krezsniak carded an 83 and Ryska scored 88 to bring the team into the clubhouse in first.



Bundled up on a chilly Saturday, members of the Homedale golf team washed cars and held a yard sale at the HHS parking lot as part of their efforts to fund the fuel for their season.



Sports

District softball tourneys visit Homedale diamonds



Marissa Ensley and her teammates will have the home-field advantage as the 3A District III tournament comes to Sundance Park in Homedale on Tuesday.

Marsing launches 2A district bids next week, too

The 3A District III tournaments for baseball and softball come to Homedale next week.

The softball tournament takes place at Sundance Park on Tuesday and May 13.

The Trojans' refurbished field will be the site of the baseball tournament beginning Saturday. The tournament continues Tuesday through May 13.

Admission for each tournament is \$5 for adults and students without activity cards. Students with activity cards and senior citizens get in for \$3, and children kindergarten-aged and younger get in free.

The softball tournament begins at 1 p.m. Tuesday with a play-in game featuring the fourth- and fifth-place teams in the 3A Snake River Valley conference. The winner survives to play the top-seeded team in the double-elimination portion of the bracket in a 5 p.m. game Tuesday. Game 2 featuring the second- and third-seeded teams takes place at 3 p.m. Tuesday.

An elimination game is set for 1 p.m. May 13, with the championship game at 3 p.m. and the second-place contest at 5 p.m.

The district runner-up will meet the second-place team from District IV in a 3A state tournament play-in game on May 15 in Mountain Home.

The district baseball tournament begins at 1 p.m. Saturday with an elimination game between the

fourth- and fifth-place teams from the 3A SRV.

The top-seeded team sees action against the survivor of Saturday's game at 3 p.m. Tuesday. The second semifinal pitting No. 2 and No. 3 is set for 5 p.m. Tuesday.

An elimination game will be played at 3 p.m. next Wednesday, followed by the district championship game at 5 p.m. The district second-place game goes off at 4 p.m. on May 13 with the winner moving on to the state tournament.

2A tourneys

Marsing's baseball and softball teams begin play in their respective 2A District III Tournaments next week, too.

The baseball tournament begins Monday on the home field of the higher seeds. Both games are set for 5 p.m.

The tournament then shifts to Nampa Christian for four games, including an elimination game at 2 p.m. Tuesday, a semifinal feature the top seed from the 2A Western Idaho Conference at 5 p.m. Tuesday, an elimination game at 2 p.m. May 13 and the championship game at 5 p.m. May 13. A second-place game, with the winner qualifying for the 2A state tournament in Glens Ferry, will be played at 5 p.m. on May 14 on the home field of the higher-seeded team.

The softball district tournament will be played May 13-15 in New Plymouth.

Games will be played at 2:30 p.m., 4:15 p.m. and 6 p.m. each day on May 13-14. The championship game is set for 1:15 p.m. on May 15 after semifinals at 10 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

Youth football camp signup ends Thursday

Thursday is the registration deadline for the annual Homedale Youth Football Camp.

The camp presented by the high school's coaching staff will run May 17-20 at Deward Bell Stadium. The camp time is 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. each day.

First- through eighth-graders are welcome at the camp, which costs \$40. The package includes instruction and a camp T-shirt. Bus transportation back to HHS is available each day.

Contact Trojans coach Matt Holtry at mholtry@

homedaleschools.org or 412-7398 for more information.

Individual skills such as tackling, blocking, passing, receiving, punting and kicking; team skills such as offense, defense, techniques, run game and pass game and special teams disciplines such as kickoff, kick return, punt and punt return will be covered.

The final day of the camp, Thursday, May 20, will feature a punt, pass and kick competition with medals awarded to the top three competitors in each skill.

TROJAN

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SPORTS

Baseball

Varsity

Wednesday, May 5 at Payette, 5 p.m.

Saturday, May 8, home for 3A District III Tournament, 1 p.m. (if nec.)

Tuesday, May 11, home for 3A District III Tournament, 3 p.m. or 5 p.m.

Wednesday, May 12, home for 3A District III Tournament, if nec., 3 p.m. or 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

Saturday, May 8 at 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament, Payette

Softball

Varsity

Wednesday, May 5 at Payette, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, May 11, home for 3A District III Tournament, Sundance Park, 1 p.m., 3 p.m. or 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

Wednesday, May 5, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.

Saturday, May 8 at 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament, Payette

Golf

Varsity

Tuesday, May 11 at 3A District III Tournament, Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 1 p.m.

Junior varsity

Monday, May 10 at 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament, Rolling Hills GC, Weiser, 1 p.m.

Tennis

Thursday, May 6 at Parma, 4 p.m.

Track & field

Friday, May 7 at Moke Strong Canyon County Classic, Caldwell, 3 p.m.

Wednesday, May 12 at 3A District III championships, Weiser

Thursday, May 13 at 3A District III championships, Weiser

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Trojans play Grizzlies tough in home loss

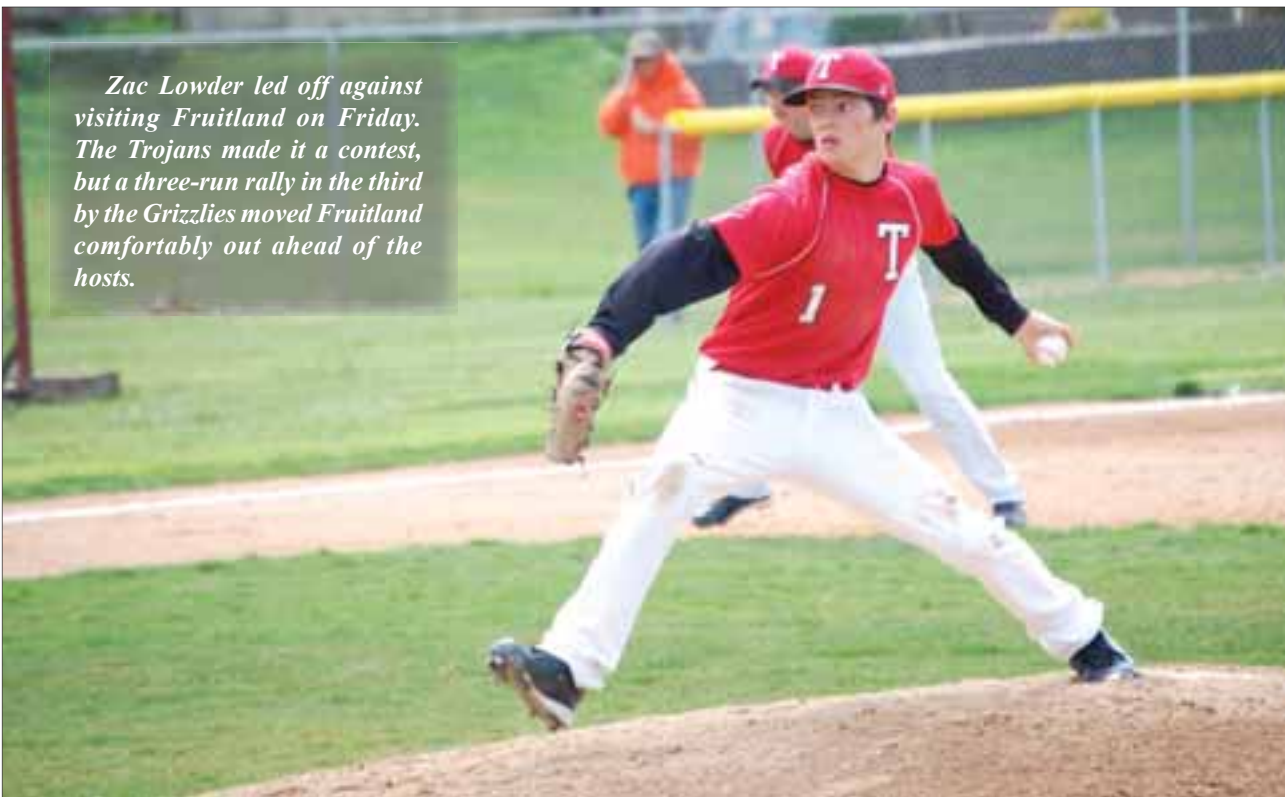
Jose Gonzalez scored without the benefit of a hit Friday for Homedale High School’s only run in a baseball loss to Fruitland.

Jonny Stacey’s two-out single in the bottom of the third inning was the Trojans’ only hit in a 5-1 3A Snake River Valley conference loss at home.

Reed Johnson pitched six innings of shutout ball, striking out 10, to get the win for Fruitland. Daulton Blackwell, who gave up Homedale’s only run, got the save.

Fruitland broke the game open with a three-run third inning against left-handed sophomore Zac Lowder.

Blackwell was 2-for-4 with a triple, and leadoff man Ryan Wright was 2-for-3 with two RBI for Fruitland.



Lair, Meligan continue to roll

Mother Nature postponed Homedale High School’s only tennis match last week, but coach Mark Weekes reports that his top players continue to find success.

Juniors Tanner Lair and Jordan Meligan, the No. 1 and No. 2 boys’ singles players, respectively, were the only Trojans to pick up victories during conference

matches during the week of April 19.

Lair won, 6-1, 6-2, and Meligan prevailed, 6-0, 6-4, against unidentified opponents in Homedale’s 10-2 loss at Fruitland on April 22.

Meligan and Lair lost just one game apiece during triumphs in the Trojans’ 10-2 loss to visiting

Parma on April 20. Meligan cruised, 6-1, 6-0, while Lair won, 6-0, 6-1. Opponents again were unidentified in results provided by Weekes.

Homedale’s road match against Payette scheduled for April 27 was moved to Friday because of inclement weather. No results of that match were provided.



Lair, right, won 6-1 and 6-2 in singles at Fruitland, and teammate Meligan triumphed 6-0, 6-4.

√ Fee: Athletes could pay \$10 per sport

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Owyhee Avenue. The proposed fee is \$10 per athlete per sport.

Hart also has planned a follow-up HTAA meeting on transportation funding for 7 p.m. May 17 inside the HHS library.

“I don’t think that we are asking for too much from our students and their families,” Hart wrote in a letter to the HTAA. “The \$10 is less than most people are thinking they were going to be asked to contribute to this revenue shortfall.”

The athletic transportation fund will include 25 percent of the net proceeds from concessions and merchandise at HMS and HHS events. Hart estimates that could

be between \$3,000 and \$5,000. There are several fundraisers planned to generate money:

- A golf tournament on June 4 at River Bend Golf Course. The entry fee for the four-person scramble is \$40 per person or \$160 per team. The tournament starts at 6 p.m. and a 5 p.m. dinner. Each Homedale head coach will be responsible for recruiting two foursomes, to make up a field of 26 teams, Hart said. Hole sponsorships also will be sold for \$50.
- A benefit poker tournament also has been tentatively scheduled for June 5. More details will be forthcoming.
- Homedale football coach

Matt Holtry plans a Red/White scrimmage before the team leaves for its summer camp July 17, and has extended an invitation for the HTAA to sponsor a barbecue to raise funds.

•Other ideas include a fundraiser dinner at the start of the school year and charging admission and selling food for the Homecoming week activities.

“I do believe we can make this work, but we need everyone’s buy-in,” Hart wrote in his HTAA letter.

For more information on the fundraisers, including the golf tournament, contact Hart at 337-4613 or 407-4287.

— JPB

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Baseball

Friday, May 7 at Parma, 5 p.m.

Monday, May 10, 2A District III Tournament, site TBA, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, May 11, 2A District III Tournament, Nampa Christian H.S., time TBA

Softball

Friday, May 7 at Parma, 5 p.m.

Monday, May 10, 2A District III Tournament, site TBA

Track and field

Friday, May 7 at Moke Strong Canyon County Classic, Caldwell, 3 p.m.

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Sports

High School Rodeo

District II  
rodeo returns

The season’s eighth District II high school rodeo saddled up at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds on Sunday. Riders have just two more rodeos slated before the finals at the Caldwell Night Rodeo at the end of this month.

Jordan Valley’s Brandon Mackenzie took top spot in steer wrestling, with a time of 11.3 seconds. Other local standouts included Adrian’s Maddy Pendergrass, who turned in a first-place 3.2 in breakaway roping, and Owyhee, Nev.’s Dalton Jim, who won the saddle bronc competition with a 68-point ride.

The top six hands in each event will head on to the Idaho State High Schools Finals Rodeo in June in Pocatello.

District II point standings following the rodeo had not been updated on the Web, Monday.

**Right:** Brandon Mackenzie unloads in calf roping. Mackenzie won the steer wrestling competition, Sunday. WT Bruce photo



**Above:** Andy Greeley of Homedale tries to stay stuck on a bull for the requisite eight seconds. WT Bruce photo



**Above:** Maddy Pendergrass had a 3.2-second winning go in breakaway roping. Bob Radford photo

Big Loop entries close in a week

Competitors can register for the Jordan Valley Big Loop for one more week. The 52<sup>nd</sup> annual running of the rodeo takes place May 14-16 at the Jordan Valley Rodeo Arena. The action starts May 14 with afternoon team roping and Big Loop.

Call (541) 586-2551 between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. or mail entries to Dennis Stanford, secretary, P.O. Box 167, Jordan Valley, OR 97910. Entries or calls will be taken only at the Lions Hall. There are limited entries in all events. Entry fees are \$50 each for saddle bronc riding, calf rop-

ing, senior barrel roping and bull riding; \$75 for stock saddle bronc; \$100 each for team roping and Big Loop; \$15 for cow riding (ages 15-18); and \$10 each for junior barrel racing (14 and younger) and junior steer riding (10-14). For more information, visit [www.biglooprodeo.com](http://www.biglooprodeo.com).



# Looking back...

*from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle*

## 25 years ago

May 8, 1985

### ESII mulls closure of Bruneau waste dump site

The high cost of securing a federal operating permit may force the closure of the Envirosafe Services Inc. hazardous waste dump near Bruneau.

ESII was recently ordered to file for “Part B” operating permit for the Bruneau site. Another Part B application will be sent in this week for the Grand View operation. The cost of applying for the Part B for Bruneau, including paperwork and test drilling, would be around \$3 million, compared to \$100,000-\$300,000 for closure.

ESII Director of Operations for Idaho, Larry Haack, stressed that a decision has not been made yet on closing Bruneau. The economic cost of the application must be weighed against the profits, in anticipation of the amount of waste that will be shipped to Bruneau during the 10 years of the operating permit, he said.

The EPA has not allowed a great deal of time to establish a complete well monitoring system if ESII chooses to submit a Part B by November, said Haack. The hazardous waste disposal company was ordered to submit an application or close the dump within six months of the first of April. Haack said he knew of no waste site in the U.S. of that size or larger that could put together a monitoring system in that time frame.

Three monitoring wells have been sunk at Bruneau, but only one contacts the aquifer below. According to reports, the EPA has called for a full monitoring system on the site if ESII closes it or not, but ESII has not voiced plans to construct that system, as the water table is very deep in that area.

### BLM board wants to retain grazing fee system

The Bureau of Land Management Boise District Grazing Advisory Board went on record on April 23 to maintain the present Public Rangeland Improvement Act (PRIA) grazing fee schedule, according to Bill Lowry, advisory board member and Jordan Valley rancher.

The PRIA system has been operating on a temporary basis since 1978 and was scheduled to end in December, 1985. The BLM has conducted a survey to determine whether the PRIA approach is adequate or another can be found.

According to a BLM-U.S. Forest Service report, the PRIA system costs around \$60 million annually to run, while it brings in only \$27 million. Around half of the money derived from the base \$1.35 animal unit month (aum) under the PRIA route is used for work such as wildlife improvements or archeological digs.

Six alternatives, including PRIA, were presented for consideration at the meeting. PRIA makes adjustments for the current market value of the forage, costs of production in relation to the cattle industry, and the market value of the beef. The Modified PRIA system utilizes a new appraised value of the forage.

### South Board receives gift of pump house

A special gift from a Homedale man to the South Board of Control will make it possible to irrigate 700-1,000 more acres of land at a savings to local residents.

Herman Thornton, longtime resident of Homedale, has deeded an old pumping house on his property back to the South Board, plus a right-of-way to run a water pipe up to the Owyhee Heights region. New pumps will be installed in the concrete structure, adding between 700 and 1,000 acres open for irrigation according to Clyde Hutton of the board.

Water from the Snake River will be pumped into the “D” lateral ditch, said Hutton. The deed was completely free. “All I ask is that they let some of my friends fish down here,” said Thornton. Thornton worked 19 years on a ditch crew in the early part of the century, using horses to create the canal above his residence. The canal was planned and built by Colonel Ernest Patch, a World War I hero from Payette, and agriculturist who planted much of the orchards in the Fruitland-Payette area.

## 50 years ago

May 5, 1960

### 135 attend men’s bowling banquet at Legion Hall

The Homedale Men’s Bowling banquet held Wednesday night, April 27, at the legion hall was attended by 135 bowlers and their sponsors.

Dr. William Reimer was chairman of the banquet arrangements. The women of the American Legion auxiliary prepared and served the ham dinner. Mrs. Lucille Applegate was the auxiliary chairman.

Mrs. Flossie Brownson was chairman of table setting; Mrs. Amy Adams, flowers; Mrs. Blanche Johnson, serving; Mrs. Mary Evans, kitchen; and Mrs. Inis Logan, clean-up. About 25 members of the auxiliary were on hand to help with the preparations and Mrs. Dora Upton, auxiliary president, expressed her thanks to all of them.

Dr. Reimer said Tuesday that several checks had arrived for bowlers with the largest, a \$250 one, going to Bicandi’s of Adrian for placing 5<sup>th</sup> in the state tournament.

Awards and trophies were presented during the banquet to the teams and individuals by the bowling association and league secretaries.

The first place city tournament award went to Bicandi’s of Adrian with a 3021; 2<sup>nd</sup> to Field Runs with 2930; 3<sup>rd</sup> to Martin Drug with 2906 and 4<sup>th</sup> to Homedale Cleaners with 2852.

### Homedale wins SRV Class B track crown

Homedale won the class B crown Saturday afternoon in the Snake River Valley league track championships held at Nyssa, amassing 52 ¾ points.

Fruitland was a close second in the class B meet trailing with 51½ points, only one and one-quarter points behind Homedale. Adrian had 23 points, Marsing 17, Middleton 14 and New Plymouth 5¾.

### Local girls drop softball game to Marsing April 26

The Homedale girls softball team played at Marsing Tuesday, April 26, with Marsing winning with a score of 13 to 19.

The Homedale girls led in the first three innings. With the bases loaded and home runs hit by two of the Marsing players in the bottom half of the 4<sup>th</sup> inning, Marsing gained a lead of three runs and kept it until the end of the game.

Umpire and manager for the game were Roy McBride and Walter Carpenter. Official score-keepers were Bonnie O’Neal, Ann Smith and Brenda Prow.

**Succor Crik Sam Sez:** “Ain’t worried about diggin’ me a fallout shelter. Out here on the crik the gophers has already taken care of it.”

### Homedale locals

Mrs. Marvin Friel and sons, Boise, Mrs. Ora Friel attended the trade show in Boise Saturday afternoon. While Marvin and Ora Friel are working in Nevada, Mrs. Marvin Friel and sons are staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Tibbet.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burke and family and Mrs. Kenneth Downing and family visited Sunday at the Don Davis home in Bruneau.

Orville Soper, as mayor of Homedale, attended a luncheon given by the Boise chamber of commerce Wednesday and later participated in the opening of the valley trade show.

Mrs. Lois Vanderhoff, Mrs. Irene Lee and Mrs. Lucille Danforth attended and helped serve at the junior-senior banquet of the Greenleaf school held at the Deer Flat church last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Stimmel took care of their grandchildren, Stacee and Kristy Haylett, from Thursday to Tuesday while their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haylett, Grand View, accompanied the seniors to Pocatello for seniors’ day and to Salt Lake City, Utah, on their sneak.

Sunday visitors at the Pearl Percy home were Mr. and Mrs. Clark Percy and boys. Richard Percy, Mrs. Percy’s grandson from Caldwell, visited in the evening.

## 144 years ago

May 5, 1866

NEWS. J. C. Holgate is continually adding to the variety of his news and magazine reading. He receives by each Express the leading California papers and those east of the Rocky Mountains — St. Louis, Chicago, New York, Boston, Washington and Philadelphia journals of all shades of political doctrine. He has the comic and illustrated papers of the Old and New World. Mining and Scientific papers of San Francisco and New York, in monthly parts or in separate Nos.; also, the popular magazines of fashion and literature, can be found in his assortment. Orders filled and delivered immediately on receipt.

BUILD A THEATER. Parties who have the cash to spare could hardly use it to more certain advantage than in erecting a theater building of neat finish and reasonable dimensions. In the dullest times, theatrical and minstrel performances are well patronized. We verily believe that if one could be put in operation now with fair talent and creditable management, it would be crowded nightly. To many it is the cheapest place to spend their evenings and all would joyfully welcome and patronize a good troupe of theatricals or minstrels — provided they had a comfortable building. Won’t somebody bite at this suggestion?

ORO. This is the name given to a townsite surveyed and platted in Flint District by Johnson & Co. Main, Johnson, Smith and Flint streets run north and south, and cross streets are numbered. Site eligibly located, and proprietors propose giving lots of those who will build thereon soon. The proprietors deserve credit for the brevity of the name and the omission of the common and useless appendage — city or ville. The plain name Oro is distinct, and there is none like it anywhere.

CAPT. MUPRHY has just received a letter from Con Dorian, formerly of Owyhee but now in Helena, M.T. It bears dated 12<sup>th</sup> ult., and says that many Owyheecans are working for \$40 per month and but very few get \$5 per day. Con warns every one against migrating there. Says too many men are now there, more than are needed or than can get work at any price.

VISITORS. John S. Butler and H. B. Knapp (Esqs.) have left Boise Basin to try Owyhee — the former whilom prop. of the Boise News (now World) — the latter, agent, &c. “We” knew ‘em, Horatio, about that time — type was scarce and shoe-pegs more so; but the “pup” had go to “suck,” you know. These humans want to establish business in Owyhee. John is about six feet high, dark whiskers and good health; on the other hand, Knapp is not so tall, &c., but good looks help him out — besides its disadvantageous to be very stature-ous where the air is so light.

MILLS RUNNING. The Lincoln, Cosmos and Morning Star are now crushing Oro Fino rock. They run thirty-eight stamps. The Minear is also running. Steps are being taken to soon start all the mills and once done, they will not stop for want of rock, as a number of ledges are being opened so as to supply any amount of ore. The Lincoln Co., have made arrangements with the Allison Co. and are now working their ledge in earnest, and expect ere long to supply their mill from it. This ledge has always been reputed a good one and the Lincoln Co. will test it thoroughly. Other ledges might be put in this condition if too exacting terms are not demanded. Of all the “policies” the dog-in-the-manger one is the most injudicious. Live and let live is kind o’ Christian and mostly profitable.

WE noticed fourteen large bricks of bullion in the office of W., F. & Co. last Sunday. It occurred to us what a subject they will make for the “local” of the Oregonian — especially if the “dray” gets stuck in the Portland mud again. “Our mines” are “terrible heavy.”



Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense  
The border gap in understanding

People who live in Chicago, Washington DC or San Francisco inner cities lock their doors at night. They are careful where they travel within the city. They all have friends who have been mugged, had homes burglarized, cars stolen or lives taken. They travel the city in crowds like schools of fish. Their safety, like all prey, is in numbers; the odds that someone else will be eaten instead of them. In rural communities, small towns, and isolated ranch houses we do not think of ourselves as prey.

During the election, candidate Obama made a very telling comment about “*bitter, small towns, clinging to their guns and religion.*” He is from the big-city prey mentality. He comes from a place that believes that if we take guns away from ordinary citizens, they will somehow be safer. His comment was interpreted as a slam against small-town America, but I will give him the benefit of the doubt. He simply doesn’t have any way to relate to those who believe each person is responsible to take care of himself.

The Mexican border, once a cultural bridge, is now a war zone inhabited by killers, smugglers, and drug dealers as bad as any town in Afghanistan. Rural people who live along this poisonous border live with the daily possibility of death and destruction. Thousands of Mexicans have been killed in the drug wars already. The situation, which has been worsening, culminated last month with the murder of a rancher by a suspected drug smuggler on his way back to Mexico.

He lived in my county along the border. He was known to the neighbors and many Mexican illegals as a generous man. His ranch has been well-traveled by illegals for years. His luck ran out. All of us, his neighbors, are saddened but reminded of just how fragile normal life has become where many have put down their roots.

If the president thinks the community is bitter, he just might be right. They are on the front lines in a war to supply recreational drug users their daily toke or weekly snort. The smugglers are doing quite well. I hear of no shortages from celebrities and potheads. And, in truth, I would guess most ranchers are ambivalent about dope smokers and drug users. Unfortunately they are trying to ranch on the battlefield where the self-righteous, self-centered stoners, snorters, smokers, shooters and suppliers are fighting The Law.

... *bitter, small towns, clinging to guns and religion.*

You can see in this Arizona rural community why we cling to our guns. We don’t have police cars patrolling our neighborhoods. The nearest neighbor could be 10 or 12 miles away and the criminals pass like ghosts in the night. We use our guns because we are not prey, we take responsibility for our own lives and livelihood. The president’s unfortunate denigration of religion as a source of strength is something he probably wishes he could take back. His past church membership speaks for his faith. Suffice it to say when we turn to God for help it is because He has proven to be more reliable than the stream of politicians’ promises that continue to pour over us like dirty water sluicing down the drain.

And nobody seems to have a clue.

— 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 41<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.baxterblack.com) for more features, merchandise and his latest book, “The Back Page”.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee  
Make an effort

Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall, hands down, is the most difficult person I have ever worked with in 20-some-odd years in this business. Considering most of that time has been spent chasing high school coaches, that’s saying a lot.

Michael Lane does most of the lifting with the sheriff’s office, so I haven’t had to solicit information from Crandall too often. Michael has had his difficulties, but somehow he still gets information — sometimes from Crandall himself.

There’s usually some type of sacrificial offering to the journalism gods — burning an old notebook or ink-letting of a writing pen — when the sheriff comes through with needed facts. Karma is everything.

The karma might be running dry, though. In two recent e-mails, I have asked the sheriff an ever-growing series of questions. He didn’t respond the first go-round; the second e-mail — which lengthened because more questions cropped up — was met with a terse reply about not having time to answer so many questions and a request to boil things down to just a few.

Distilling a list of questions covering several topics to a precious few is nearly impossible. I write articles based on information. Without all the pertinent information, an article is virtually useless to the people I serve — the readers of the Avalanche.

The sheriff’s mule-like stubbornness, in essence, is a



disservice to the people he is sworn to serve.

The first batch of questions sent April 21 covered the recent musical chairs in Crandall’s office.

At least two longtime employees are gone, and others have been shuffled around.

Last month, a part-time patrol deputy, a jailer and a dispatcher were hired. A fourth person moved from one position to the civil clerk’s spot. I’m not about to speculate on who is where now, and Crandall hasn’t responded to my public records request (or e-mailed questions) asking for a new scorecard to decipher who is working where now.

It would also be nice to know if that new part-time deputy, Karl Kingston, was hurt when he drove a patrol car into a Homedale ditch. I asked about that incident, and received only the original “vehicle damage” report filed with the clerk’s office (which didn’t itemize any damage) — and that was released by Prosecuting Attorney Douglas Emery, who seems to understand that state law requires a government agency to answer a public records request within three business days.

Other questions the sheriff ignored dealt with his attempt to use county funds to buy updated radios. Owyhee County has a plan to use federal grant money — not county cash — to buy 700-megahertz-compatible radios for emergency agencies as the need arises.

— See *Effort*, page 23

Wayne Cornell

Not important ...  
*but possibly of interest*

Conversational confusion

Sara and yours truly are more fortunate than a lot of grandparents. Our two granddaughters live a few miles away and we see one or both of them almost every day. Grace, the oldest, is almost seven, and Ella is two, going on a lot older. Sometimes, when I watch them interact, I get the feeling we are headed down a road we traveled previously when their mother and aunts were little girls.

It was an evening nearly 30 years ago. We had just finished supper. The eldest daughter and her mother were having a discussion. The two younger sisters were watching a TV rerun of “Little House on the Prairie.” They had seen the episode so many times that they were entertaining themselves by reciting the dialogue as the actors on the screen spoke it.

“The TV is pretty noisy,” observed the eldest, who was having trouble conversing with her mother.

For a moment, the observation of daughter Number One appeared to have gone completely unnoticed by her sisters. Then, as if a delayed fuse had suddenly ignited, the two TV watchers turned and looked at us.

“Huh?” said Number Three.

“What-did-you-say?” Number Two asked.

“Why is Melanie going to Boise?” queried Number Three.

“What are you talking about?” I asked.

“Melanie just said she was going to Boise. Why does she get to go to Boise?”

“Melanie isn’t going to Boise,” I said. “She said it was noisy in here with the TV ...”

“How come Melanie gets to go to Boise?” Number Two chimed in. “She always gets to do the neat things. You never let us do anything! It’s no fair!”

“Huh?” I said.

“What are you talking about?” asked their mother.

“It’s NO FAIR!,” said Number Three.



“Gol,” said Number One, trying to help us out. “Gol” is a word she uses on a regular basis to profess amazement or disgust, or any number of other emotions). “All I said was the TV was too ...”

“YOU LET HER DO ANYTHING SHE WANTS BECAUSE SHE’S OLDER!!” yelled Number Two.

“YEAH,” said Number Three.

“We’re not letting her go anywhere because she’s older!” I said. “She’s not going to Boise.”

Number Two’s voice dropped back to a tolerable level. “Then why did you tell us she was going to Boise?” she sniffled.

“Yeah,” said Number Three.

“NOBODY SAID SHE WAS GOING TO BOISE! ALL SHE SAID WAS THAT THE TV WAS TOO NOISY!!!” I said in my most restrained manner.

“Well, you don’t have to get so mad,” Number Two said as a tear trickled down her cheek.

“Yeah,” sobbed Number Three.

“Gol,” said Number One.

With the matter finally settled, Huh and What-did-you-say went back to lip-syncing with the characters on “Little House.”

Later in the evening, the two younger girls were sitting in the family room, carefully cutting little pieces of paper into very tiny pieces of paper.

“I can’t believe that conversation we had earlier,” I said, looking down at our offspring.

“It certainly makes you wonder sometimes,” said my mate.

“Huh,” said Number Three, looking up from her project.

“Thunder? I didn’t hear any thunder,” said her sister.

— Go to [www.theowyheeavalanche.com](http://www.theowyheeavalanche.com) to link to some of Wayne’s previous columns on his blog. You’ll find the link in the bottom right-hand corner of the home page.



# Commentary

## Financial management

### Tithing isn't required, but it helps avoid selfishness

Dear Dave,  
My husband and I are on Baby Step 2 of your plan, and we're working hard to pay off all of our debt. We're Christians, but would it be a good idea to decrease our traditional 10 to 15 percent tithe while we work through the debt snowball?

— Janelle

Dear Janelle,  
I've studied Scripture on this subject for about 20 years and taught in Christian settings. But I don't want you to take my word as the final authority. What we're about to get into comes from



God, not some guy with a radio show, OK?  
When you look up the Hebrew word "tithe," it literally means tenth. Not 10 to 15 percent — a *tenth*. The book of Deuteronomy says to give a tenth of your net increase. In Proverbs, it refers to the tithe as first fruits, off the top, before anything else.

About 1,200 years of protestant Christian teaching has focused on the idea that the tithe goes to the local church, because it's the New Testament representation of the Old Testament storehouse. The storehouse took care of the Levites, which were the priests — or pastors — and the widows and orphans. Today, the New Testament church in your community is supposed to use it for the same kinds of things: pastor's salaries and helping people who are struggling.  
Now, once we've said all that, the problem is that there's enough toxicity in Christianity and twisted

information that surrounds tithing to choke a horse! I want you to remember one thing, though. God doesn't love you more just because you tithe more than the person sitting next to you. It's not a salvation issue, either. We're not going to get into performance-based legalism here. God thinks you're cool! You're his kid, and He's going to love you even if you don't tithe. But He knows what tithing does for us. It makes us focus on something other than ourselves. God doesn't *need* your money, but He does want us to be loving and giving to the people around us.

I wouldn't stop or reduce my tithe if I were in your situation. When I hit bottom 20 years ago, I tithed all the way into bankruptcy court and all the way out. Just please keep in mind that you shouldn't do this because Dave Ramsey gave you a "rule." It comes straight from God, and it's a loving father's instructions as to what's best for his kids!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is the best-selling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. He also has a radio call-in show. For more financial advice, visit [www.DaveSays.org](http://www.DaveSays.org).

## Letters to the editor

### Homedale's sidewalks make things hard on disabled

It's funny that a few years ago, when a bypass around Homedale took place, I had the idea from printed articles that Homedale downtown was to get new street lighting and sidewalks.  
Now I'm told I need to use a walker with skids and wheels to help me walk uptown. But you know what happens? The sidewalks are in need of repair. They are too rough and dangerous to use a walker.  
What happened to the money that was said to improve downtown? Maybe we aren't supposed to get old and disabled.  
William McGuire  
Wilder

### LID is another example of big government spending

When I was a kid, a LID was a bag of dope.  
Some things never change.  
A million bucks to spruce up the city, 30 percent of which goes to attorneys, administrative (civil tax feeders) fees, and engineering (attorneys of the mechanical world) fees show that you don't have to go to Washington to see government gone wild.  
In the face of the deepest economic depression in our lifetimes, Owyhee County commissioners, city councils, law enforcement and state senators continue to mimic Washington's policy of "damn the taxpayer" in a selfish attempt to build utopia on the backs of their children and grandchildren. New boathouse? Sure! New 911 communications system? No problem!  
By our own state senator's admission, as mentioned in this very newspaper, our state leaders have grown government 200 percent in the last 20 years. First of all, let me explain what have sadly become the four pillars of government — Paychecks, Pensions, Paid Time Off and

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 phone number, of the letter-writer

Submit letters in one of four methods:

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

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

Paid Administrative Leave.  
The legacy the baby boomers are leaving their children is one of big government wimps that can't build a power transmission line and take six months to widen a bridge on Highway 95.  
If this is how we are doing things here, it's no wonder we can't find Osama bin Laden after in years and a trillion dollars. When you go to the polls, you need to ask yourself, "Do any one of these incumbents deserve to be re-elected?"  
By the way, Butch, thanks for nothing!  
MB Ellis  
9-11 Cattle Company  
Marsing

### Ramsey confuses credit counseling, debt settlement

Disclosure: I'm a credit counselor and education director for Debt Reduction Services Inc, a nonprofit credit counseling agency.

Illustrating how the left hand doesn't always know what the right is doing, fellow financial educator and wildly successful entrepreneur, Dave Ramsey, recently displayed in this paper a pitifully poor understanding of the fundamental differences between credit counseling and debt settlement.  
Mr. Ramsey's column from the week of April 21 ("Credit counseling services do more harm than good") promised in its title to address "credit counseling" services. Unfortunately, the column spoke instead of debt settlement.  
Credit counseling clients create a budget, make monthly payments, and pay off all unsecured debts dollar-for-dollar within five years through interest rate concessions. Agencies are appropriately regulated by state finance departments and have nearly all been audited by the IRS in the past five years. See [www.aiccca.org](http://www.aiccca.org), [www.accplos.org](http://www.accplos.org) and [www.nfcc.org](http://www.nfcc.org).  
Debt settlement companies, to which the "Ask Dave" question referred, work to reduce the actual amount owed (principle). Dave's right: such services damage the consumer's credit; many are complete scams; and it's difficult to find legitimate companies. See [www.gao.gov/products/GAO-10-593T](http://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-10-593T) and [www.tasesite.org](http://www.tasesite.org).  
There's credit counseling (dollar-for-dollar repayment) and there's debt settlement (pay less than owed). Knowing the difference is critical for consumers and would be nice for financial columnists as well.  
Todd Christensen  
Director of Education  
Debt Reduction Services  
Boise

### Rimrock seniors thank community for sale success

Thanks to our community, the bake sale was a success. We would like to thank the bakers, buyers, set-up and cleanup crew and most of all the U.S. Bank, Grand View branch for allowing us to use their lobby for the sale.  
The Rimrock Senior Citizens

## ✓ Effort: Sheriff has obligation to show how he's spending tax dollars

From Page 22  
What Sheriff Crandall doesn't seem to understand is citizens deserve to know how the various county entities — including his office — plan to spend tax dollars, such as the \$1,000 he has finagled to pay for a service on a Web site that he apparently couldn't afford and which isn't even accessible from the county's official site. (He failed to

explain the reason behind the rogue Web site, too.)  
Answering questions from the newspaper is the easiest way to explain how funds are being spent and to reacquaint the citizenry with the office's ever-changing personnel — unless Crandall has time to knock on a few thousand doors.  
I'm thinking he doesn't because he says he's too busy to answer my questions. There's a bunch of them, sure, be-

cause of his lack of timely response. But if Crandall knew how to budget his time he could knock out a few every day, and the citizens would have their information.  
Quite frankly, I'm too busy to chase the man to get the answers. Yet, I still make the effort.  
Maybe the sheriff should try putting in a little effort, too.



# Public notices

**SYNOPSIS OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES APRIL 20, 2010**

Payment of Bills: Current Expense \$18,570, Road & Bridge \$4,558, District Court \$3,028, Probation \$61, Indigent & Charity \$55, Junior College \$1,250, Revaluation \$592, Solid Waste \$1,641, Weed \$5,864, 911 \$2,683.

Approved Balanced Rock Soil Conservation District contribution in 2011 for \$500.

Approved letter of support to National Trust for Historic Preservation for funding for the Silver City school house.

Approved the request by Sheriff Crandall to pay newly hired jailer Ross Gruenwald \$13.34 per hour.

Approved the request by Sheriff Crandall to pay newly hired dispatcher Lucille Allen \$13.34 per hour.

Approved the request by Sheriff Crandall to pay newly hired part time deputy Karl Kingston \$13.34 per hour.

Denied the request by Sheriff Crandall to increase the salary of Toni Wunsch to \$14.47 per hour.

Certificates of residency approved for students attending CWI.

Letters of Appreciation sent to all 911 Committee Members.

Approved alcohol beverage license for Z Inc.

Indigent & Charity 09-52 approved findings, 09-54 approved withdrawal.

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

Approved amended Marsing Law Enforcement Contract.

Adopted Resolution 10-14 Application for BLM Right of Way.

Decision not to proceed with Petition to Reconsider Murphy Travel Plan.

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

5/5/10

**ATTENTION ALL OWYHEE COUNTY LAND OWNERS AND CITIZENS BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**

The Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold its second round of public meetings to hear comments and input regarding the proposed Owyhee County Comprehensive Plan Revision. The Planning and Zoning Commission and Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee members have completed their work revising the Comprehensive Plan and are eager to hear your input on this very important document. The proposed draft revision is available in the Planning and Zoning Office in Murphy, Homedale City Hall, Marsing City Hall, and Grand View City Hall. You can also find the proposed revised plan on the county web site at [www.owyheecounty.net](http://www.owyheecounty.net) along with the current Comprehensive Plan as well as a copy of the plan that shows all additions and deletions.

The public meetings will be held June 8th, 9th, and 10th, at the following times and locations:

June 8th, 2010 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Rimrock High School Auditorium, 39678 State Hwy 78 Bruneau, Idaho

June 9th, 2010 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Owyhee County Court House, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho.

June 10th, 2010 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Marsing American Legion Community Hall, 126 2nd St. Marsing, Idaho

Your participation in these meetings is critical. For additional information please contact the Planning and Zoning office at 495-2095.

4/28;5/5,12,19,26;6/2/10

**LIEN AUCTION**

A lien auction will be held at Hwy 95 Self Storage located at 3685 Hwy 95, Homedale, Idaho on May 15, 2010 at 1:00pm. Item being auctioned is a 1986 Ford Aerostar van. VIN# 1FTDA15U9G2B16156. Vehicle will be sold as is. Vehicle may be previewed prior to auction.

Don Collingwood, Manger

5/5/10

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE CASE NO: CV-2010-1507H**

A Petition to change the name of Alan Dean Nelson Jr., born 12-6-92 in Tucson, AZ, residing at 519 W. Arizona Ave, Homedale, has been filed in Owyhee County District Court, Idaho. The name will change to Alan Dean Kennedy. The petitioner's mother is living and her address is 519 W. Arizona Ave, Homedale.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:30am on June 2, 2010 at Owyhee County Courthouse in Homedale, Idaho. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: April 21, 2010

Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk of the District Court

By: Jan Fink, Deputy Clerk

4/28;5/5,12,19/10

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FHF-93694 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEERLENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on August 20, 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: A portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence North 00° 22' 19" West 662.09 feet, along the West boundary of the said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 89° 24' 36" East 109.46 feet to a point; thence North 80° 26' 56" East 172.73 feet to a point; thence North 80° 26' 56" East 158.02 feet to a point; thence North 77° 10' 47" East 197.52 feet to a point; thence North 77° 10' 47" East 136.83 feet to a point; thence South 70° 22' 00" East 208.95 feet to a point; thence South 70° 22' 00" East 236.14 feet to a

point; thence North 16° 42' 01" East 110.69 feet to a point; thence South 81° 29' 53" East 106.87 feet to a point on the East boundary of the said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter; thence North 00° 21' 03" West 584.93 feet, along the East boundary of the said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to the Northeast corner thereof; thence North 89° 35' 55" West 1,319.12 feet along the North boundary of the said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to the Northwest corner thereof; thence South 00° 22' 19" East 665.04 feet, along the West boundary of the said Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 4384 HOGG ROAD, 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 RICK R. BRITTON SR AND RENA BRITTON, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE CO., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of BENEICIAL IDAHO INC., as Beneficiary, dated 1/21/2008, recorded 1/23/2008, under Instrument No. 263769, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by BENEICIAL IDAHO INC.. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 1/21/2008, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 9/25/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of April 16, 2010 Delinquent Payments from September 25, 2009 7 payments \$ 13,927.91 (09-25-09 through 04-16-10) Late Charges: \$ 661.99 Beneficiary Advances: \$ 0.00 Suspense Credit: \$ 0.00 TOTAL: \$ 14,589.90 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 \$259,830.29, together with interest thereon at 8.390% per annum from 8/25/2009, 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: 4/16/2010. PIONEERLENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Amy L. Bowles, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: <http://www.rtrustee.com> Page 2 ASAP# 3541963

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**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

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## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 17, 2010, at the hour of two o’clock p.m. of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at the corner of Highway 78 and Hailey Street, Murphy, Owyhee County, Idaho, the Trustee, Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 5, Block 2, as shown on the plat known as Plat Showing Silver Sage Subdivision No. 1, filed May 29, 1998 as Instrument No. 225021, records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above described real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of 101 SILVER SAGE PLACE, HOMEDALE, IDAHO, may sometimes be associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made, without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by STACEY J. BERRY, as Grantor, and STEWART TITLE OF BOISE, INC., as Trustee, said Trustee having been replaced by ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW CORP. as Successor Trustee, and CAMPBELL FAMILY TRUST, as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust having been filed of record on May 8, 2006, as Instrument No. 256256, Official Records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The naming of the above Grantor(s) is done to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made as to the responsibility of Grantor(s) for this obligation.

The default for which the sale is to be made is that no monthly installment payments under a Deed of Trust Note dated May 1, 2006, in the amount of \$322.70 for October 2007, and in the amount of \$563.37 per month for November 2007 and each month thereafter have been made, together with accruing late charges, plus any other charges lawfully due under the note, deed of trust, and Idaho law.

The balance owing as of the date hereof on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is the amount of \$66,932.22 in principal; plus accrued interest at the rate of nine and one-half percent (9.5%) per annum from March 22, 2008; plus default interest pursuant to the Note at the rate of seven percent (7%) per annum from March 30, 2010, until the default is cured; plus service charges, late charges, and any other costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust or Deed of Trust Note, or by Idaho law.

Dated this 14 day of April, 2010.

MARK D. PERISON, P.A.,  
By: Mark D. Perison – of the Firm, Attorneys for Trustee, P.O. Box 6575, Boise, ID 83707-6575 (208) 331-1200

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## 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 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

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## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Tsg 00063/4990804927MAA Loan No. 0059480517 T.S. No. 057-005416 On 8/25/2010, at 11:00 A.M. (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho: Owyhee County Courthouse 20381 State Hwy 78 Murphy, ID, TRANSNATION TITLE AND ESCROW INC., as Trustee on behalf of UTLS Default Services, 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: This parcel is Lots 5 and 4 and a portion of Lot 3 of Block 27 of the Amended

Plat of Homedale, Idaho, situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 3 North, Range 5 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Northeast corner of said Block 27; thence North 89° 12’ 13” West along (he North boundary of said Block 27 a distance of 72.89 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, said point lying 2.19 feet East of the Northwest corner of said Lot 3; thence South 00° 50’ 22” West a distance of 124.99 feet to a point on the South boundary of said Lot 3; thence North 89° 12’ 21” West along the South boundary of said Lot 3 a distance of 1.99 feet to the Southeast corner of said Lot 4; thence continuing North 89° 12’ 21” West along the South boundary of said Lots 4 and 5 a distance of 50.09 feet to the Southwest corner of said Lot S; thence North 00° 46’ 23” East along the West boundary of said Lot 5 a distance of 124.96 feet to the Northwest corner of said Lot S; thence South 89° 12’ 13” East along the North boundary of said Lots 5, 4 and a portion of Lot 3 a distance of 52.24 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 307 W MONTANA , 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 RUSSELL D. WADE, A MARRIED MAN, AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY as Grantor/ Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION

SYSTEMS, INC., is named as Beneficiary and PIONEER TITLE OF CANYON COUNTY as Trustee and recorded 11/9/2006 as Instrument No. 258782 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 11/7/2006. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$966.62, due per month for the months of 7/1/2008 through 4/12/2010, 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 \$86,687.08 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.50000 per cent (%) per annum from 6/1/2008. 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. Date: 4/13/2010 TRANSNATION TITLE AND ESCROW INC. By: Lynn Darling, Assistant Vice President THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 3533406

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<b>Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale</b> Pastor Fernando Gomez 132 W. Owyhee • 337-5975 Servicios: Mar - 7pm - Oracion Mier - 7pm Predicacion, Vier - Oracion Dom - 10am Esc. Dom y 6pm "Una Iglesia Diferente."	<b>Knight Community Church Grand View</b> Pastor Paul H. Ryan • 834-2639 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study: Wednesday, 7 p.m. Knight's Neighborhood: (Youth Activity Group) Friday 5-6:30 pm	<b>Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder</b> Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm
<b>Assembly of God Church Homedale</b> 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Pastor George Greenwood Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm	<b>Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale</b> 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Pastor Carl Bennett Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 5:30 pm Wednesday CLC: 3:15 pm	<b>Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church</b> 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
<b>Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale - 337-4248</b> Sunday Services 10am Rev. Ross Shaver, Pastor Youth and Adult Sunday School 9-9:45am Wed. Adult Bible Study 7-8:30pm Visitors Always Welcome!	<b>Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing</b> Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henriouille, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	<b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale</b> 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Alan McRae Bishop Ronald Spencer Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm
<b>Homedale Baptist Church Homedale</b> 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am & 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls	<b>Wilder Church of God Wilder</b> 205 A St. E, 482-7839 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	<b>Mountain View Church of the Nazarene</b> 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm Bible Based Recovery: Friday 7:00 pm
 <b>MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing</b> 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español	<b>Iglesia Evangelica Wilder</b> 317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	<b>Marsing Church of Christ Marsing</b> 932 Franklin, Marsing  Minister Gib Nelson Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am
<b>Christian Church Homedale</b> 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	<b>Bible Missionary Church Homedale</b> West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	<b>Assembly of God Church Marsing</b> 139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
<b>Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing</b> Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm	<b>Nazarene Church Marsing</b> Pastor Bill O'Connor 896-4184 12 2nd Avenue West Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Teen Services Sundays 7:00 pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	<b>Trinity Holiness Church Homedale</b> 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
<b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing</b> 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop Jensen Sunday 2nd Ward, 12:30 p.m. Bishop Parry	<b>Vision Community Church Marsing</b> 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-896-5407 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.	<b>United Methodist Church Wilder</b> Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor June Fothergill Sunday Services 9:30am
<b>First Presbyterian Church Homedale</b> 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am	<b>Calvary Holiness Church Wilder</b> Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry Open Fridays 10 am - Noon	<b>Seventh Day Adventist Homedale</b> 16613 Garnet Rd., 880-0902 or 453-9289 Pastor Chuck Dimick Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Tuesday Prayer Mtg. 7:00 pm
<b>Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale</b> 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	<b>Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana</b> 2010 Mass Schedule - the following Saturdays at 9:30am March 13 - April 10 - May 22 - June 26 - July 24 - Aug. 14 Sept. 11 - Oct. 23 - Nov. 27 All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031	<b>Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC</b> Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12- 2pm Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508



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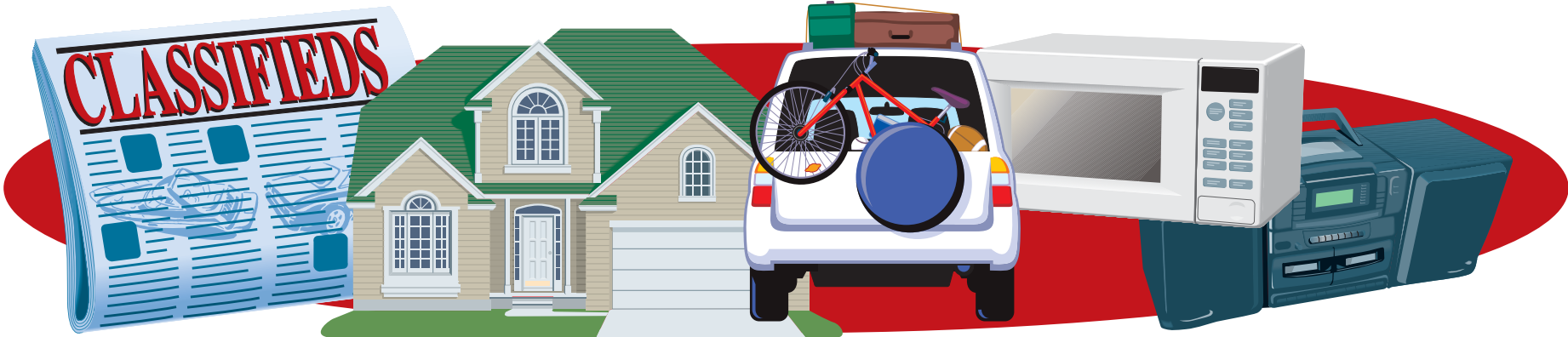
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