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Crandall's appeal won't get hearing

ICRMP: Sheriff doesn't have legal authority to ask

The Idaho Counties Risk Management Program Board of Trustees will not hear an appeal from Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall when it meets this week.

In a Nov. 16 letter, Crandall appealed ICRMP's insurance exclusion for liability related to the sheriff's personnel actions.

In a Nov. 30 letter, ICRMP executive director Rick Ferguson denied the appeal. According to — See *Appeal*, page 5



Holiday music enlivens Homedale parade

The Homedale Marching Band plays Christmas tunes during the Homedale for the Holidays parade Saturday. Homedale students will provide musical entertainment throughout the holiday season around town. For more parade photos, see *Page 14*.

Busy Bruneau starts its Christmas season

Nasty weather didn't keep the Bruneau community from kicking off its holiday season last weekend.

On Friday, despite high winds, about 50 adults and children turned out at Community park for the annual Christmas tree lighting.

Attendees adorned the tree with holiday ornaments that were cut from plywood by Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School shop class students and then painted by children from

Bruneau Elementary School.

The tree lights were turned on after all the ornaments were hung. Participants stayed warm with hot chocolate and nourished with cookies.

The holiday doings continued Saturday with the Bruneau Ladies Aide of the Bruneau Community Church presenting their annual Silver Tea and Bazaar.

The event, which has been

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Marsing council sets public hearing on town marshal idea

Residents, businesses, county officials encouraged to attend to provide input

After the Marsing City Council took the first step in October to move toward with the formation of its own police department, it is now time to hear from the residents.

A public hearing is slated for city ordinance No. 184 to create and establish a town marshal to handle the policing duties

along with keeping residents in compliance with city ordinances. The hearing is set for 7 p.m. during the city's regular monthly meeting next Wednesday.

In September, after the city council and Mayor Keith Green had spent nearly a year attempting to work out details for a contract renewal with the Owyhee County

Sheriff's Office, Marsing elected officials felt it necessary to pursue a town marshal.

"I would like to know what the residents think whether it is for or against. If they think we should get a town marshal or re-contract with OCSO," Green said. "I want a majority rule. I don't want to dictate this to anyone and neither does the city council."

The proposed ordinance states,

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“Changes can be hard and many changes hinge on community support. We are looking to get the information out there and have people bring us things we may not have looked at. We want to get as much information out there as possible.”

— Tracia Craig, Marsing School District superintendent

Marsing mulls 4-day school week

Informational meeting set Monday for community, parents to ask questions on proposal

After a somewhat contentious initial meeting, the Marsing School District is hosting another session to provide parents, staff and community members with information about a proposed four-day school week.

Following the district’s first meeting held Nov. 28, superintendent Tracia Craig began working on hosting another meeting to keep the lines of communication open with all parties potentially affected by the change.

On Monday, the meeting will be held to answer questions from parents, teachers and community members regarding the four-day school week. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria between the high school and elementary school.

Craig has invited the superintendents from other school districts that are currently running a shortened week. John Cook (Horseshoe Bend), Andrew Grover (Melba) and personnel from the Notus School District will attend the meeting to answer questions.

At the beginning of this school year, Melba and Notus switched from the traditional five-day week to the condensed four-day schedule.

While the underlying reason for changing the schedule is about saving money, the biggest push for the four-day week is boosting attendance and enrollment, Craig said. The school receives money through federal special programs, state funds and property taxes.

Craig said the money the district receives based on attendance is set from the district’s and the

schools’ best 28 weeks of average daily attendance.

Some of those in attendance during the first meeting voiced concern about finding day care for their children on the fifth day.

During an informational meeting last year, Cook talked about options that involved some of Horseshoe Bend’s school clubs providing day care as a fundraiser after being certified to provide the care.

Craig mentioned the after-school programs would still take place, providing an avenue for youth to stay after school and receive extra help with assignments before being picked up.

One of the biggest concerns came from the classified employees (food service, transportation, maintenance) who are paid hourly. By losing one day during the week for bus drivers and custodians, the district estimates roughly a \$21,126 savings.

“I don’t want the savings to ride on the backs of the classified staff,” Craig said. “We don’t want to negatively impact the staff. We want to do what we can to negate the impact if we can.”

The district has looked at possibly converting the hourly positions into more of a certified pay scale structure to account for the classified staff’s experience and training, Craig said.

Overall, Craig said there are several areas that can be advantageous to switching to the four-day school week for faculty and students:

Faculty — Gives faculty an opportunity to have focused professional days on the fifth day

Student — Craig feels students are less distracted and have more dedicated time for educational material

“The effectiveness of the instruction depends a lot on how the instructor structures the day,” Craig said. “By having the option for the fifth day as a professional day, it gives the instructors an opportunity to better themselves and their plans.”

In the elementary school Craig said some of the more curriculum-heavy instruction would be done in the mornings with other classes being held in the afternoons.

Craig said she has met with the athletic directors from the high school and middle school about scheduling impacts with the four-day week. The impact to schedules wouldn’t happen until the following year, as the majority of next year’s athletic schedules have already been set, she said.

Currently, Craig said a decision wouldn’t be made until she receives the surveys from the parents and community and compiles the information for the board of trustees to review and make their move on implementing the four-day week or sticking with the current schedule.

“Changes can be hard and many changes hinge on community support,” Craig said. “We are looking to get the information out there and have people bring us things we may not have looked at. We want to get as much information out there as possible.”

The district has written a survey that it hopes parents and community members will fill out. The survey along with the PowerPoint presentation from the November meeting can be found at <http://www.marsingchools.org/news.html>.

—JLZ



Christmas on Idaho Avenue
NAPA Owyhee Auto Parts employee Amador Cortinas strings Christmas lights along the roofline of the Homedale store.

BOCC realignment could move Hoagland into District 3 territory

New district boundaries expected in January

Political realignment in Owyhee County could pit two sitting commissioners against one another at some point.

Commissioner Jerry Hoagland said that the eminent redrawing of Board of County Commissioners district lines could put him and Commissioner Joe Merrick in the same district.

Hoagland, who lives in Wilson, is in District 1. But reapportionment in the wake of the 2010 census could alter the Wilson precinct lines and move Hoagland’s residence into District 3, from which Grand View resident Merrick hails.

“We are looking at the commissioners’ districts, looking

at proposals on that,” Hoagland said.

Both Hoagland and Merrick are up for re-election beginning with the Republican primary in May. Hoagland hinted last week that he wouldn’t run against Merrick if redrawn district lines force the issue.

Hoagland anticipates the final realignment of commissioner districts to take place around the second week of January. Currently, the county is involved in the Twin Falls County-led lawsuit against legislative redistricting.

District 1 includes Wilson and both Marsing precincts. District 3 houses the precincts of Murphy, Oreana, Bruneau, Grand View, Pleasant Valley, Three Creek and Riddle.

District 2, from which Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi hails, includes both Homedale precincts.

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Homedale resident goes to prison again for meth trafficking

Gonzales is third area resident convicted in federal case

The last of three Homedale residents convicted as part of drug trafficking ring will spend more than 15 years in federal prison.

Aron Herrera Gonzales, 28, received a sentence of 15 years, eight months followed by five years of supervised release. Chief U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill also ordered Gonzales to pay a \$1,500 fine and forfeit \$25,000 in cash proceeds.

Gonzales was convicted for his leadership role in a methamphetamine trafficking organization that imported a pure form of the drug from Nevada to Idaho for distribution to Norteno gang members in Canyon County.

Gonzales was convicted on a charge of conspiracy to distribute 500 grams or more of meth.

This is the second conspiracy conviction for Gonzales. He was released from federal prison on Sept. 13, 2010 after serving 9½ years after his first conviction.

“Methamphetamine trafficking, particularly to gang members, is a serious problem that demands a serious response from law

enforcement, prosecutors and the courts,” U.S. Attorney for the District of Idaho Wendy J. Olson said.

Fellow Homedale residents Ricardo Mercado and Amanda Smith were among a group of five people involved in the ring who have been sentenced. Smith, considered one of the ringleaders, was sentenced to 20 years in prison, while Mercado receive the same prison term as Gonzales.

Investigation revealed that Gonzales, Smith and Mercado kidnapped a customer at gunpoint to ensure payment for past meth purchases.

“Law enforcement has recently seen an alarming increase in high potency methamphetamine being imported into Idaho from California, Arizona, Nevada and Mexico,” Olson said. “These defendants, appropriately, will pay a heavy price for bringing this dangerously addictive drug to Idaho communities.”

A total of 105 federal defendants in Idaho were sentenced for meth trafficking during 2011. Homedale resident Jaime Cortes was sentenced to 11 months in federal prison in an unrelated case earlier this year.

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Marsing Hope Tree looking to fill the needs of 97 kids this Christmas

With ages ranging from one month to 17 years old, organizers are looking to provide Christmas wishes to 97 children in the Marsing area.

Trees with both an A and a B tag are set up at Logan’s Market, Marsing’s US Bank branch, The Spot Pizza and In the Grind. Those participating can pick up as many tags as they wish from any of the locations.

“There are two tags, the A tag has clothing size along with what the child needs,” organizer Melissa Loucks said. “The B tag has just the child’s name along with their one big wish.”

Loucks said each of the tags lists what the clothing needs for the child are. This year, she has noticed there is a spike in the need for pants.

“Clothing is always a big item on the lists,” Loucks said. “This year, pants seem to be on everyone’s list. We have children from one month all they way up to 17 years old on the trees. This year, there are a lot of requests for warm clothing.”

The majority of the names on the trees are generated through the three schools in Marsing, Loucks said.

All unwrapped donations should be dropped off to any of the four locations by Dec. 14 in a plastic bag tied closed and the tag taped or securely attached to the bag.



In conjunction with the clothing and toy donations, Loucks said each location will accept wrapping paper and tape along with the gifts.

“On Dec. 17 before we distribute the gifts, the student-athletes from the high school wrap the presents and put them together if needed,” Loucks said. “The high school kids really enjoy this activity. Last year they were all piling into the Suburban to go out and deliver the gifts. This is a way to bring a little extra to those kids, and to see the joy on their faces when the gifts show up is great.”

Along with the Hope Tree, there will be boxes for a food

drive. This year they will deliver food boxes to nearly 30 families so the children have food in their homes during the Christmas break, Loucks said.

“We would really like to thank the City of Marsing, the businesses and especially the people of the community,” Loucks said. “Bringing hope to all the recipients this year is only possible because of their generosity and support. Everyone who has helped make the tags to the people buying gifts, we appreciate your support for the kids in our community.”

For more information, call Loucks at (208) 941-3392.

— JLZ

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Three Creek trustees lack quorum

Resignation, former school board chairman's death leave one member

A resignation and death has left one of Owyhee County's smallest school districts without a quorum on its school board.

Former school board chair Harlan Mink died at the age of 55 on Nov. 10 after a brief illness. A second trustee, Jake Brackett, resigned only a few months after

winning a write-in election.

Gus Brackett is the remaining school board member, but without a second chair occupied, there aren't enough trustees to legally do the district's business.

The Twin Falls County Commissioners are scheduled to appoint a board member at their

meeting today.

Although the joint district's one-room schoolhouse is located in Owyhee County, the Twin Falls board will make the appointment because the district's accountant is located in Buhl. State law gives the appointment authority to the commissioners from the county in which the school district conducts its fiscal business.

Once a second trustee is named, the school board will meet next Wednesday to appoint a third.

Three Creek School, which covers kindergarten through eighth grade, has a 2011-12 enrollment of four students.

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Wilder resident Muriel Tzeiman joined The Owyhee Avalanche this week as an advertising account executive.

A native of Argentina, the 23-year-old Tzeiman has lived in Idaho since she was 16. She moved to the United States at age 3.

The mother of two has more than seven years experience in sales and customer service, including two years in print advertising.

"I would like to meet the local businesses in the community and help them in their advertising needs," Tzeiman said.

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Sergeant's departure may change OCSO command

The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office is losing one of its supervisors at the end of the week.

Jerry Hoagland confirmed that Sgt. Slade Heeb tendered a letter of resignation, and that the Board of County Commissioners accepted it Monday.

Hoagland said Heeb gave one week's notice.

Heeb will be approximately the 21st person to either resign or be terminated since Sheriff Daryl Crandall took office in January 2009.

Heeb quit weeks after

presenting the commissioners with a plan to purchase new patrol vehicles. Heeb served in a supervisory role in the sheriff's office and also patrolled with OCSO's canine unit.

Hoagland said he could give no further comment on Heeb's situation, but said Monday that a personnel shuffle may occur in the wake of the sergeant's departure.

After Heeb leaves, OCSO will have one sergeant (Lynn Bowman) and Chief Deputy Ken Hoagland in the chain of command below Crandall.

✓ Appeal: BOCC still won't fight ruling

Ferguson's letter, which quotes state law, Crandall has no authority to make the appeal.

"Any dealings between Owyhee County and the ICRMP program must take place through the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners," Ferguson wrote. "Matters of authority concerning county insurance are exclusively vested in the board of county commissioners by Idaho Code Sections 6-923 and 31-814."

Idaho Code 31-814 gives county commissioners the authority to make contracts for insurance. Idaho Code 6-923 authorizes political subdivisions within the state to obtain liability insurance.

BOCC chair Jerry Hoagland reiterated that the commissioners would not appeal the ICRMP

exclusion.

"I would hope that the citizens become very much aware of what's going on," the District 1 commissioner said. "The commissioners can't do any more from where they stand."

The commissioners have twice asked the sheriff to resign, saying that such a move would be in the best interests of the county.

Hoagland added: "Maybe (the citizens) can put pressure on the sheriff to do something right."

Ferguson said he consulted the ICRMP board of trustees on the sheriff's appeal request in a Nov. 23 teleconference, but that the final decision was his to make.

Ferguson's letter reiterated that without liability insurance the county and its taxpayers will be on the hook for any personnel-related

judgments against the sheriff's office or jail handed down by the courts.

All other county liability insurance remains intact.

Ferguson told Crandall in the letter that neither he nor OCSO personnel will face more liability exposure unless "conduct is determined to be 'not within the course and scope of his employment or included malice or criminal intent'." Ferguson quoted Idaho Code 6-903(3) in his letter and also said that the exclusion decision was made to protect the other political entities represented by the insurance underwriter.

ICRMP insures 43 of the state's 44 counties and 762 political subdivisions throughout Idaho.

— JPB

✓ Bruneau: Annual community Christmas dinner draws 200 participants

held for approximately 86 years, gives folks a chance to purchase hand-made items such as neck scarves, dish cloths, scrubbies and towels.

The big draw every year, though, is the homemade holiday cookies. This year, the Ladies Aide sold about 125 pounds of the treats.

Proceeds from the event help fund various charitable activities throughout the year.

A Sunday snowstorm didn't hamper attendance for the Bruneau Booster Club's annual Community Christmas Dinner at Bruneau American Legion Post 83 Hall.

The booster club furnished a turkey and ham dinner with all the trimmings, and the event attracted more than 200 diners, who were asked to bring either salad or dessert.

Tiffany Bachman and Nichole Hedges teamed to decorate the hall for the dinner. Poinsettias that were part of the table centerpieces were given away as door prizes. The rest of the centerpieces were decorated with Santas, snowmen, candy canes and pine boughs.

Santa Claus visited the dinner, passing out treats and discussing Christmas wish lists with the children.



Strong turnout for weekend of holiday events in Bruneau

Above: Volunteers, from left, Cindy Bachman, Clare Morris, Liz Ogg, Charmaine Denton and Ginny Roeder serve a helping of Sunday's community Christmas dinner to Terry Black at the Bruneau American Legion Post 83 Hall. **Below:** Santa Claus had his work cut out for him listening to the Christmas wishes of dozens of children.



✓ Hearing: Mayor invites sheriff's office to give input

"the Mayor and Council have determined that good cause exists for appointing an individual to be the City of Marsing Town Marshal".

"I would encourage the sheriff's office to come and put in their opinion," Green said. "I would also encourage other elected officials from the county whether that be the commissioners or people who are seeking office in the upcoming year."

During the October council meeting, Green outlined that if the ordinance passes, the Idaho Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST)-certified individual appointed to the position would be a salaried position. The town marshal would also handle all city ordinance compliance issues. The city has yet to discuss a salary or a benefits package for the town marshal.

"Everyone is a little worried about what is around the corner and how things will be done," Green said. "The fear of the economy and if we can sustain our own force is a big issue. There are a lot of scary parts as far as

financial goes."

Section I of the ordinance outlines that the town marshal would be appointed by the mayor with the consent of the council and would report to the mayor. Green said the individual would be subjected to the same standards set forth by POST for officers when they are hired.

"The hearing will be an open roundtable. I won't cut them off at two or three minutes unless we get the ranting and raving," Green said. "I want everyone to have full time of voicing their opinion. There is nothing set in stone here. This is a start in a long process. If the city folks don't want to do this, we need to know."

If there is a large turnout for the hearing, Green said the city will adjust the meeting location, but would still provide time for residents' opinions to be heard.

"It is a public hearing, and everyone will get a chance to speak," Green said. "We will contact the (Board of County Commissioners) and let them give their input as well if they want."

— JLZ

Calendar

Today

Bruneau Valley Library preschool program
10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., ages 2-4, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131

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

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

After-school program
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464

NOCWMA meeting
7 p.m., North Owyhee County Cooperative Weed Management Area, U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Old Bruneau Highway, Marsing. (208) 896-4544, ext. 102

Snake River Irrigation District meeting
7 p.m., Grand View Irrigation District office, 645 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2350

Homedale Highway District board meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Highway District Office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3500

Thursday

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

Owyhee Gardeners monthly meeting
1 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 459-2860

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

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

Friday

Grand View Lions Club meeting
11:30 a.m., Salinas Raider Cafe, 330 Main Street, Grand View.

Saturday

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

Sunday

Moms Night Out
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., open to all mothers of young children, Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 697-1509

Monday

Shopping trip
9 a.m. departure, call to reserve seat, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Board of County Commissioners meeting
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

Homedale library board meeting
10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Knit and crochet session
1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2213

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

Tuesday

Senior Center lunch
11:30 a.m., Homedale Elementary School sixth-graders sing, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Homedale Library Tween and Teen program
6 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

HES Christmas concert
7 p.m., first- and second-graders, Homedale Elementary School gymnasium, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4033

Gem Highway District board meeting
7:30 p.m., Gem Highway District office, 1016 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4581

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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

OCHS membership meeting
7 p.m., McKeeth Hall, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2319

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Bruneau-Grand View School Board meeting
7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School music room, 39678 State Hwy 78, Bruneau. (208) 834-2253

Sunday, Dec. 18

Marsing Gun Club Christmas shoot
10 a.m., \$3 shoots, meat or cash prizes, Marsing Gun Club, off Idaho highway 78 2.9 miles south of Marsing. (208) 989-7367

Monday, Dec. 19

Board of County Commissioners meeting
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

Knit and crochet session
1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2213

Tuesday, Dec. 20

Foot clinic
8 a.m., \$10, appointment necessary, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Blood pressure clinic
10 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Senior center lunch
11:35 a.m., Homedale Elementary School third-graders sing, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

El-Ada commodity distribution
1 p.m., El-Ada Community Action Partnership Owyhee County office, 15 W. Colorado Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4812



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The country of Albania had

Lizard Butte names featured December artist

In the ongoing series of featured artists, the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing has announced Gene Gunderson as December's art presenter.

love for art after retiring in 2008 and began actively painting using acrylic-based paints.

Gunderson is primarily a landscape painter "inspired by the beautiful southwest mountain and desert landscapes" during his time as a student at the University of Arizona in Tucson, the press release said.

The Lizard Butte Library is located at 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., in Marsing. The library is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from noon to 6 p.m. On Tuesday and Thursday, the library is open noon to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Caldwell artist renewed his love for art after retiring in 2008 and began actively painting using acrylic-based paints.

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Bridge to replace Scorpion Creek culvert on Idaho 78

Roadway will be elevated where former OCSO deputy died

A new bridge will replace culverts at the spot on Idaho highway 78 where a former Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy lost his life in a flash flood in 2009.

The Idaho Transportation Department announced plans for a \$600,000 project to build Scorpion Creek bridge at milepost 23 northwest of Murphy last week.

"It's positive in that a bridge will much better handle the wild flows that come down through that Scorpion Creek," District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland said. "You never know. A culvert can only handle so much water, but a bridge can handle more."

"Hopefully they'll design it well enough to handle some pretty heavy storms."

Former OCSO backcountry deputy George Reed died on June 6, 2009 when his vehicle was slammed with a wall of water from the Scorpion Creek drainage during a late spring deluge.

The roadway will be widened and elevated about two feet.

"The water was overtopping the roadway during periods of high water, and this will not be an issue with the fix. The bridge is being built to handle whatever high-water level could be reasonably expected," ITD spokesman Reed Hollinshead said.

"The roadway is just being elevated to meet the elevation of the new bridge, to provide a smooth transition from the bridge deck to the road surface for drivers."

Hollinshead acknowledged that Reed's death was one of the factors leading to the project.

"The fact that water was

overtopping the road was a key factor in the crash, and this fix will help address that issue by providing greater flow capacity so the water can safely travel under the road," Hollinshead said. "This will also allow us to maintain the channel through that area, which had been nearly impossible to do before. The channel bottom changed markedly."

Hollinshead said it has been too difficult to keep the culverts unclogged, and that a bridge will allow crews to keep the channel free of debris and sediment.

Construction is expected to begin next summer. A new concrete slab bridge will replace three corrugated metal culverts running under the highway just south of the private Filly Lane. Currently, one culvert is plugged and the other two are more than halfway filled with sediment from Scorpion Creek, according to an ITD press release.



ITD will seek a contractor to do the work.

Hoagland said that there had been complaints about the volume of water over the roadway in the past, even before Reed's accident. He also would like to see ITD work on realigning the highway so that a treacherous curve near the creek is eliminated.

According to the ITD announcement, one lane of traffic will be maintained throughout construction with traffic control provided by a temporary signal light. Flaggers will be used when needed.

The west side of the bridge will be built first.

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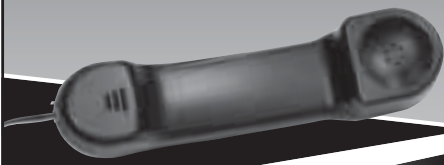
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Members of Bruneau Canyon 4-H pose with books they donated to Peru. **Back row, from left:** Dave Tindall, Zach Tindall, Jeff Law, Emily Derrick, Julianne Mori. **Front row:** Casey Derrick, Mitchell Erwin, Martin Law, Rowdy Law, Ainsley Erwin. Submitted photo

Bruneau 4-H’s play part in creation of Peruvian library

The Bruneau Canyon 4-H club is sharing the gift of reading this holiday season.

The club donated books to help create a library at the Hogar Nueva Esperanza (New Hope) orphanage in Arequipa, Peru.

An English teacher at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School told the 4-H club leaders, Dave and Celia Tindall, about the need.

The Spanish language books were delivered through a joint effort of the Idaho Council of the International Reading

Association and the Boise Sunrise Rotary.

“The books were a hit,” Bev Pressman of the Boise Sunrise Rotary said after delivering the material to the Peruvian orphanage.

“They have never had quality books, and the children were thrilled.”

The Bruneau Canyon 4-H club used proceeds from their annual Pallet Project to extend their generosity beyond the local community to South America.

Bruneau Then and Now sales to shift to Murphy next year

Booster club set to sell inventory to OCHS

Time is running out to buy an autographed copy of the Bruneau Then and Now from the Bruneau Booster Club.

The club will continue to sell the book through the end of December, at which time the remaining inventory will be moved to Murphy and sold in the Owyhee County Historical Museum’s bookstore.

The book is available for \$22.95 through the boosters.

Part of the proceeds from sales to date has been used to help build a quarter-mile asphalt walking

track at Bruneau Elementary School.

The booster club is looking into installing four benches around the perimeter of the track and two long benches inside the oval, according to club member Ginny Roeder. She said Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School ag shop students may be enlisted to build the benches.

The Owyhee County Historical Society will purchase the remaining inventory of the book on the history of Bruneau, and begin selling the book on Jan. 2.

Marsing Gun Club wraps year with Christmas Shoot

The Marsing Gun Club’s final event of the year is a Christmas Shoot on Sunday, Dec. 18.

The contest is open to members and non-members, and \$3 shoots will be the special.

Fun shoots and Custers will be held, with the action starting at 10 a.m. at the gun club range, which is located off Idaho highway 78.


Prizes are turkeys or hams or \$8 cash awards.

The kitchen also will be open.

To get to the gun club, take Idaho 78 2.9 miles southbound from Marsing, turn right at the gun club sign and travel a quarter-mile up the road.

The Marsing Gun Club also has released its 2012 schedule, including events on Jan. 15 and Jan. 29, Feb. 12 and Feb. 26, March 11 and March 25, April 8 and April 22 and May 6.

For more information, call 989-7367

Owyhee County Church Directory		
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Pearl Harbor attack touched Owyhee 70 years ago

Jordan Valley sailor died aboard U.S.S. Arizona

Jordan Valley and Owyhee County, like the rest of the nation, were shaken to their core 70 years ago when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor and Wake Island and Midway Island.

Records indicate that Jordan Valley resident James Pickens Anderson Jr. died aboard the U.S.S. Arizona in the Dec. 7, 1941 attack in Hawaii.

U.S. Navy Seaman First Class Anderson was among a handful of servicemen and civilians from Owyhee County and the surrounding area who were stationed or working in the Pacific when the Japanese Navy launched the surprise attacks that thrust the United States into World War II.

Anderson is among the war dead commemorated on the Tablets of the Missing at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Honolulu.

According to the American Battle Monuments Commission website, Anderson was awarded a Purple Heart posthumously and he is listed as missing in action or buried at sea after his entombment in the U.S.S. Arizona, which was turned into a memorial by the

U.S. government in the years after World War II.

According to the ABMC site, Anderson entered the service in Nevada.

Anderson is the only known fatality among locals who were in harm's way on Dec. 7, 1941.

Owyhee-area men who survived the Pearl Harbor attack, according to the Dec. 11, 1941 edition of The Owyhee Chronicle, included:

- Earl Rice — Stationed aboard the USS Selfridge
- Russell Parvin — Marsing resident serving with the U.S. Navy
- Clyde Kershner — A member of a Morrison-Knudsen construction crew working at Pearl Harbor
- Dave Charlton — Stationed with the Navy at Pearl Harbor, he remained safe because he was in the hospital for an appendicitis operation. He died on May 7, 1942 when Japanese dive-bombers attacked the tanker U.S.S. Neosho during the Battle of Coral Sea.
- Robert Morgan — Homedale resident who was stationed at Schofield barracks in Honolulu and remained safe
- Don Reynolds — A former



In a July 15 photo the Tree of Life window opening in the U.S.S. Arizona Memorial, designed by architect Alfred Preis, casts shadows on the names of Sailors and Marines entombed in the shrine room of the memorial at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Daniel Barker/Released)

Marsing resident who was working for M-K at Pearl Harbor

Another Owyhee man, Dannie C. Fry, originally was part of the U.S.S. Indianapolis aviation unit at Pearl Harbor, but had been transferred to a bombing unit that flew to San Francisco shortly before the Japanese launched their attack on the Pacific Fleet.

Other Pacific islands were hit by the Japan's coordinated attacks on Dec. 7, and six Owyhees working for M-K on Wake Island escaped injury, according to the Chronicle. They were Elmer Mitchell and Evan and Leo Keech of Homedale and Grand View residents Arthur Gress, Shorty Kraus and Ty Spang.

The Dec. 7, 1941 attacks altered

life back home in Owyhee County as a blackout was instituted from 9:15 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Dec. 21.

The blackout covered all sources of light, including outdoor fires, automobile lights — especially along the highway

because they could serve as a demarcation point between communities — and lights at farmhouses and residences. Even Christmas lights were to be doused, and cigarette smoking outside was banned.

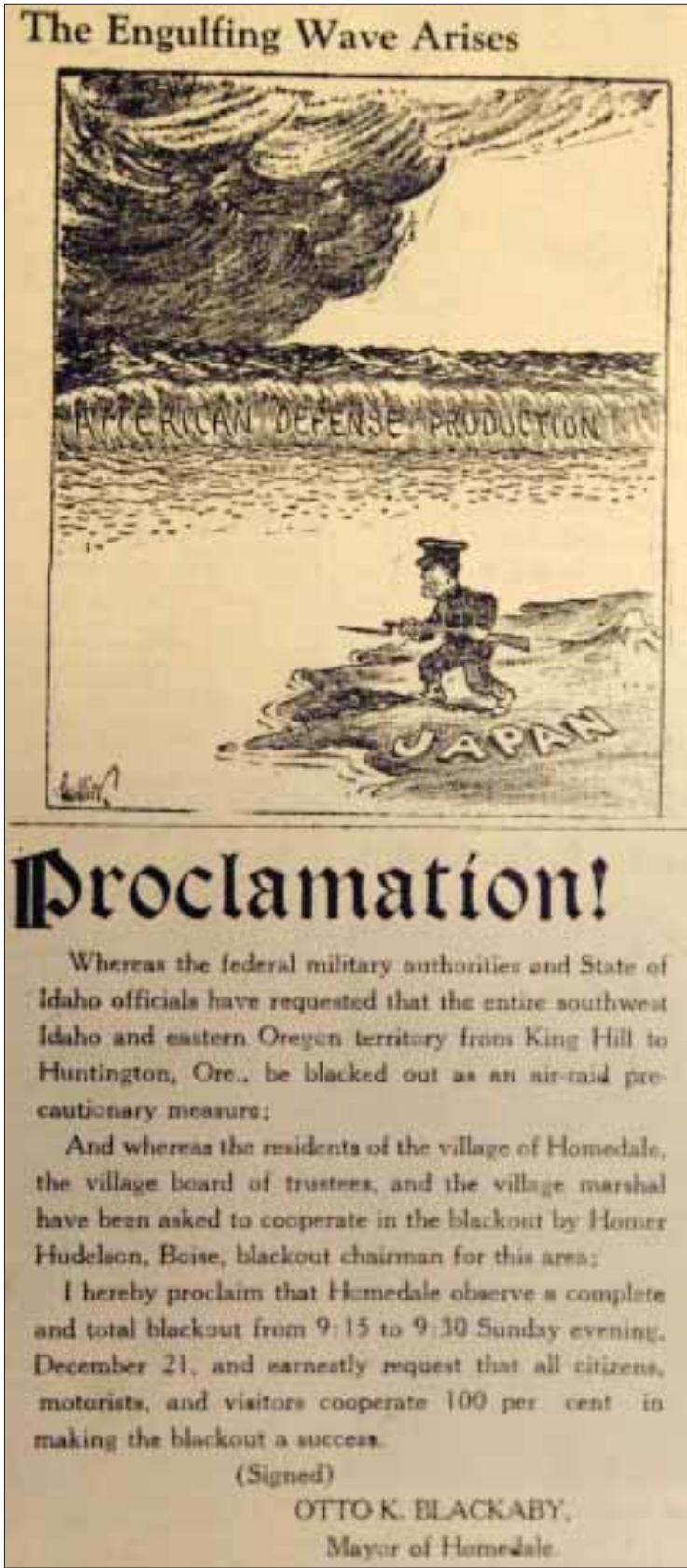
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In an Aug. 31 photo Sailors and Marines render honors as the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) passes the USS Arizona Memorial while entering Pearl Harbor for a port visit. Ronald Reagan is in the U.S. 3rd Fleet area of responsibility. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Apprentice Charles D. Gaddis IV/Released)



In a June 2011 photo Sailors aboard the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier U.S.S. Carl Vinson (CVN 70) render honors to the USS Arizona Memorial as the ship arrives in Pearl Harbor. Carl Vinson and Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 17 recently completed a deployment to the U.S. 5th Fleet and U.S. 7th Fleet areas of responsibility. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class James R. Evans/Released)



School menus

Homedale Elementary

- Dec. 7: Chicken nuggets or finger steaks, carrots, fruit, cinnamon roll, milk
- Dec. 8: Lasagna or mini corn dogs, corn, fruit, turnover, roll, milk
- Dec. 9: Hot ham/cheese or turkey sandwich, potato wedges, yogurt, fruit, milk
- Dec. 12: Wiener wrap or baked ham, macaroni & cheese, green beans, fruit, rice krispy bar, milk
- Dec. 13: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit, animal crackers, milk
- Dec. 14: Chicken patty or rib-b-que sandwich, fries, fruit, pudding, milk

Homedale Middle

- Dec. 7: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit & veggie bar, milk
- Dec. 8: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, fruit & veggie bar, cinnamon roll, milk
- Dec. 9: Pizza or deli sandwich, salad, fruit, cookie, milk
- Dec. 12: Malibu chicken or rib-b-que sandwich, tots, fruit & veggie bar, cookie, milk
- Dec. 13: Fish nuggets or mini corn dogs, rice, fruit & veggie bar, brownie, milk
- Dec. 14: Burrito or fish sandwich, corn, fruit & veggie bar, animal crackers, milk

Homedale High

- Dec. 7: Spaghetti or pizza hot pocket, string cheese, French bread, fruit bar, milk
- Dec. 8: Meatball sub, Malibu chicken or chicken sandwich, potato wedges, soup, fruit & salad bar, cookie, milk
- Dec. 9: Chicken taco or burrito, corn, fruit & salad bar, milk
- Dec. 12: Pepperoni pizza or popcorn chicken, chef salad, fruit bar, cookie, milk
- Dec. 13: Chicken tenders or wiener wrap, scalloped potatoes, fruit bar, fruit rollup, milk
- Dec. 14: Enchilada or pizza hot pocket, mixed veggies, fruit & salad bar, milk

Marsing

- Dec. 7: Teriyaki chicken bowl, mixed vegetable, sandwiches, potato chips, soup & salad bar, strawberries w/topping
- Dec. 8: Pepperoni pizza, baked potato, salad w/ranch, potato chips, soup & salad bar, strawberries w/topping
- Dec. 9: Chili & chips, Malibu chicken, green beans, soup & salad bar, fudge brownie
- Dec. 12: Sloppy Joe, chicken nuggets, corn, soup & salad bar, cherry crisp
- Dec. 13: Hot dog/chorizos, green beans, sub sandwich, potato chips, salad bar, applesauce
- Dec. 14: Tator tot casserole, grilled chicken sandwich, mixed veggies, soup & salad bar, rice krispie treats

Bruneau

- Dec. 8: Chili & corn bread, coleslaw, pears, cinnamon roll
- Dec. 9: Pulled pork sandwich, wedges, fresh veggies, fresh fruit, ginger cookie
- Dec. 13: Pizza, tossed salad, broccoli, pineapple
- Dec. 14: Turkey, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas, roll, pumpkin dessert

COSSA

- Dec. 8: Biscuits & sausage, gravy, hashbrowns, peaches
- Dec. 9: BBQ pork, pasta salad, fresh veggies, roll, tropical fruit
- Dec. 12: Finger steaks, potato wedges, green beans, bread sticks, fruit medley
- Dec. 13: Chicken parmesan, pasta w/marinara sauce, green beans, bread sticks, apple sauce
- Dec. 14: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad w/dressing, garlic bread, peaches
- Dec. 15: Taco salad, lettuce, tomato, refried beans, pears
- Dec. 16: Pizza, salad, fresh veggies, pineapple
- Dec. 19-30: No school.

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Tango Club's New Hours

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11/29	0.6	-99.9	2.6	46.0	28.4	38.1
11/30	0.6	-99.9	2.5	46.2	27.0	34.7
12/01	0.5	4.0	2.5	36.5	26.4	31.6
12/02	0.5	4.0	2.5	35.4	17.6	27.5
12/03	0.5	4.0	2.5	34.2	16.7	24.8
12/04	0.6	3.0	2.6	32.5	10.0	23.7
12/05	0.5	3.0	2.5	34.5	18.9	27.5
Reynolds Creek						
11/29	0.3	1.0	3.5	46.9	34.0	39.4
11/30	0.3	1.0	3.5	46.0	31.3	37.0
12/01	0.2	1.0	3.4	39.0	23.7	28.9
12/02	0.3	1.0	3.5	33.4	22.1	27.9
12/03	0.2	1.0	3.5	35.2	18.7	27.3
12/04	0.3	1.0	3.5	29.7	17.8	24.3
12/05	0.2	1.0	3.5	32.2	16.9	25.9
South Mountain						
11/29	1.8	6.0	5.2	44.2	32.9	38.3
11/30	1.8	6.0	5.2	48.7	32.4	39.6
12/01	1.6	6.0	5.1	36.7	20.7	26.6
12/02	1.5	6.0	5.2	34.7	19.4	26.6
12/03	1.5	6.0	5.1	33.3	15.1	25.3
12/04	1.6	6.0	5.2	28.0	13.3	21.6
12/05	1.6	6.0	5.1	30.0	14.7	23.9

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 67 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 181 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore. at a rate of 27 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 477,534 acre-feet of water on Monday.

The following statistics were gathered from the Natural Resources Conservation Service website at 8 a.m. Monday (Year-to-date precipitation is measured from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.)

— Information compiled from the National Weather Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Natural Resources Conservation Service and Helena Chemical in Homedale

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Donations sought for holiday food baskets

Organizers hoping to help out 25 Marsing families in need

Volunteer firefighters and staff of the 21st Century After-School Program along with employees from Logan’s Market are working together to help put food on the plates of some of the less fortunate this holiday season in Marsing.

Organizers are looking to fill 25 baskets with all the “trimmings” for Marsing-area families to have a Christmas dinner.

“In the baskets, there will be a ham or a turkey, along with all the trimmings to make a Christmas dinner,” volunteer Pete Smit said. “Our goal is 25 baskets this year up from 15 the year before. We will take all kinds of donations from cash to someone who has potatoes they want to drop off.”

Smit said the project is a continuation of the baskets that had been done in previous years.

“The old Snake River Mart folks helped donate money for this,” Smit said. “I am trying to pick up the baton and help keep

this going. This is supported by the community and these organizations.”

Logan’s Market is contributing to the food baskets along with collecting all the drop-off donations of cash and food items.

Overall, organizers are looking primarily for cash donations but will accept food items for the baskets.

“We just see so many kids that are in need and their families are struggling,” Smit said. “This is directed toward the kids more than anything. We want them to have a good Christmas dinner.”

Smit encouraged community members with questions to call him at (208) 863-8742.

Donations can be dropped off at Logan’s Market in Marsing. Checks should be written to “Logan’s Market/Christmas Baskets”.

The deadline to donate is Dec. 14, baskets will be delivered on Dec. 16.

— JLZ



Orange sale benefits Homedale burnout fund

Homedale volunteer fireman Brandon DeMond, right, sells a bag of oranges to local business owner Mike Parker in preparation for next week’s annual orange sale fundraiser for the department’s burnout fund. Firefighters will sell oranges at the John Matteson Memorial Fire Hall beginning at 8 a.m. on Monday. The fire hall is located on West Colorado Avenue. Firefighters will go to local businesses to sell oranges, too. The department has 60 cases of oranges, and they will sell bags of the fruit for \$3 each.

For more information, call and leave a message at, 337-3450. All proceeds from the sale go to the burnout fund. Make checks payable to Homedale Fire Department.

OHR Christmas auction, raffles set for Saturday

A goal of \$2,000 has been set for an auction and raffles aimed at making Christmas bright for residents of a Homedale nursing home.

The Last Chance Saloon will hold its eighth annual Christmas Benefit Auction at 7 p.m. Saturday. Proceeds from the auction, a 50/50 raffle and a merchandise raffle will help buy Christmas gifts for residents of Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation.

“I have always thought that somebody needs to take care of their grandparents,” organizer Barbara Hendrickson said. “We take the presents over to these

people, and we try to get them stuff besides socks, underwear and slippers.

“They are so appreciative and just to see the look on their face – that someone outside the nursing home actually cares.”

Some of the auction items this year include an exercise bike, purse, candles, a Harley-Davidson-themed telephone, gift baskets, a truckload of firewood, four Idaho Steelheads tickets and Boise State University merchandise.

There also will be a 50/50 raffle where half of the pot benefits the gift drive and the other half goes to the person holding the winning

ticket. Tickets are \$1 each or three tickets for \$2.

A pressure washer also will be given away. Tickets for that raffle are \$1 each or six for \$5.

Both drawings will take place around 10:30 p.m., Hendrickson said.

No debit cards or credit cards will be accepted to purchase tickets or pay winning auction bids.

Buckin’ Country will provide live music after the auction.

The Owyhee Avalanche’s annual gift drive for OHR residents also continues. The residents’ wish list can be found on Page 24 in this week’s Avalanche. — JPB

Owyhee Holiday Memories

The Owyhee Avalanche would like to invite its readers to take some time to record their reflections of the holidays for publication in our Dec. 21 Christmas edition.

Reflections can cover any specifics that make Christmas special, from funny anecdotes or events to thoughtful remembrances or traditions.

The Avalanche would like to help share Christmas light displays. Let us know about the county’s great decorators, and we’ll try to get as many examples as possible to share this holiday season.

High-resolution photos and essays no longer than 300 words are welcome. Submit them by Dec. 13 with your contact information.

You can email photos and essays to jon@owyheeavalanche.com, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628 or drop them off at the Avalanche office, 20 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale.

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From left, Belisia Larzelier, an 8-year-old second-grader, Bailey Purdom, a 6-year-old first-grader, and Rylan Binford, a 7-year-old first-grader, put tags on the Homedale Elementary School parent teacher organization wish tree for teachers Monday.

Homedale PTO sets up wish tree for teachers

The fledgling Homedale Elementary School parent teacher organization wants to do something special for the holiday season.

Under the watchful eyes of PTO members, elementary school students Monday seeded a wish tree in the school’s lobby at 420 W. Washington Ave. The beneficiaries will be the teachers.

“The PTO is doing a wish tree to help them out because they spend for so many things out of their own pockets,” PTO volunteer coordinator Nikki Christiansen said.

The wish lists are relatively simple. One teacher wants gently used books. Another is seeking a new encyclopedia set that could be used by students throughout the school.

“We’re going to make tags and

put them on the tree and then ask anybody that can to donate or pick up one of the tags (and fill the wish),” Christiansen said.

Most teachers’ wishes are for dry erase markers or sanitary wipes or other classroom supplies they usually have to buy on their own.

Dec. 19 is the deadline to fill wishes on the tags, Christiansen said, with an eye toward getting the supplies to the teachers by Dec. 21, which is the last day of school before the Christmas break. Items can be dropped off with school secretary Pam Gibbens. PTO members will wrap the presents and distribute them to the teachers.

For more information, call Christiansen at 249-6645 or Carina Purdom at 337-8233.

Children mark Christmas with music at Homedale Senior Center

Homedale center holds board elections on Dec. 14

A month of music and celebration kicks off Tuesday at the Homedale Senior Center.

Three different groups of youth singers from the Homedale School District will visit the center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., to sing Christmas carols for lunchtime diners.

The center also plans its annual Christmas dinner and party and a New Year’s Eve dance later in the month.

The musical performances begin with the sixth-grade chorus led by Homedale Middle School teacher Pat Warren on Tuesday. The group is scheduled to sing at 11:30 a.m.

On Thursday, Dec. 15, the fourth-graders will take the stage at 11:35 a.m. Third-graders will sing at 11:35 a.m. on Dec. 20. These two performances are under the direction of Homedale schools kindergarten through sixth-grade music director Lee Savell.

All senior center luncheons are open to the public. The price is \$5 for diners younger than 60 and \$3 for those 60 and older.

The good cheer continues Thursday, Dec. 22 with the senior

center’s Christmas dinner and party, which will take place around noon. Attendees are asked to bring a \$1 gift to exchange. Women should buy for women, and men for men and grandparents and parents for their children. Santa Claus also will visit for any children in attendance.

The senior center will be closed Dec. 26-27 for the Christmas holiday, but will be open from 9 p.m. to midnight on Saturday, Dec. 31 for a New Year’s Eve dance. Admission is \$4, and attendees are asked to bring finger food to share. There will be live music from a band led by Adrian-area resident Elvie Thomas.

All senior center dances are open to the public.

There also is the regular Saturday night dance this weekend, which runs from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Elvie Thomas and his band will perform.

The senior center membership also will elect new officers and at least one new member to the board of directors next Wednesday.

Secret balloting takes place from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., when

the monthly board meeting begins and votes will be counted.

The nominees include Gene McAbee, who is seeking another term as board president; Ida Shaver, who seeks to replace Joan Thomson as vice-president; Romona Andrus for the secretary post currently held by Joyce Mast; and Diane Arbuckle for the treasurer position Andrus now holds. Mast also is on the ballot to begin a four-year term as a director, succeeding Jim Eastman.

All officer positions carry a one-year term, and all officers and directors will start their new terms with the board’s first meeting of 2012, set for Wednesday, Jan. 11.

Senior center members in good standing are eligible to vote. Membership dues is \$5 per year.

Other happenings at the senior center in December:

- **9 a.m., Monday** — The center’s van will make a shopping trip. Call 337-3020 to reserve a seat.
- **8:30 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 20** — The monthly foot clinic will be held. The price is \$10 and appointments, which are required, can be made by calling the center.

Scores of children turn out for E. Owyhee family reading event

Shouts of “Let the Games Begin” were heard throughout Eastern Owyhee County Library in Grand View during the Nov. 17 Idaho Family Reading Week celebration.

The library hosted a family night that included ping pong, bingo, a bean bag toss, I Spy, UNO, memory games, computer games and Wii competitions.

A total of 40 children 12 and younger and their parents participated in the event.

Each child had the opportunity to take home a book to keep.

“It was a great evening with everyone at the library,” director Kathy Chick said.

Chick thanked the Idaho Commission Libraries, which came up with the theme and some of the ideas for the event geared toward promoting family reading. Barnes and Noble and Out of the Box provided some of the games and game instruction books.

Chick thanked the parents for bringing their children and also the nine Rimrock High School seniors who helped with the activities.

The seniors included Annabel Meza, Kelly Morales, Susana Bazan, Abigail Caballero, Renee Nilssen, Oscar Gomez, Miguel Ayala, Jose Araujo and Martin

Varela.

A prize drawing was held with winners picking up dice, card games, novelty items, sports balls and Boise State-themed items.

Refreshments were “Orange Sports Drink” (kool-aid and orange soda) and popcorn balls.

Next up at the library is a Teen Day from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 20.

The event will be open to boys and girls ages 12-18 and include games and competitions as well as other activities and picture-making.

For more information on the event or the library, call (208) 834-2785.

HMS essayist second in VFW regional

A Homedale Middle School sixth-grader was honored Saturday for her success in a Veterans of Foreign Wars regional essay contest.

Alexis Muir was among three middle school from around the Treasure Valley to read their essays in the Patriot’s Pen contest during the District V awards ceremony in Boise. She finished second in the district.

Muir and two other Patriot’s Pen essayists received certificates and checks. Three high school students also were honored for their Voice of Democracy essay

entries.

Muir qualified for the regional after winning the top prize in the Wilder VFW Post 11065 contest in November.

Muir and other locals in both the Patriot’s Pen and Voice of Democracy contests will be honored during a 6 p.m. banquet Saturday at the Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 W. 1st St. N., in Homedale.

The other Patriot’s Pen honorees for the local VFW post included:

- **Diana Cook, HMS sixth-grader** — She finished second in the school contest and was third

in the Post contest.

- **Alexander Heidt, Marsing eighth-grader** — The runner-up in the Post contest, Heidt was the essay champion at his middle school.
- **Brady Bowers, Marsing eighth-grader** — Runner-up at MMS
- **McKenna Hall, Marsing eighth-grader** — Third-place essayist at her school
- **Paul Eachus, Hope Christian Academy** — The senior at the Hope House-affiliated high school won the Wilder post’s Voice of Democracy title.

- **Brian Folwell, HHS senior** — Was runner-up in the Voice of Democracy contest
- **Katie Point, Hope Christian Academy** — Second in her school and third in the Post Voice of Democracy voting
- **Natalia Haskell, Hope Christian Academy** — Third in her school’s Voice of Democracy contest

The Voice of Democracy essayists wrote on the question “Are you proud of your country?” The Patriot’s Pen writers answered the question “Are you proud of your servicemen?”

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Homedale for the Holidays



Santa Claus throws candy from an Idaho Power Co. hybrid linetruck during Saturday's Homedale for the Holidays parade.



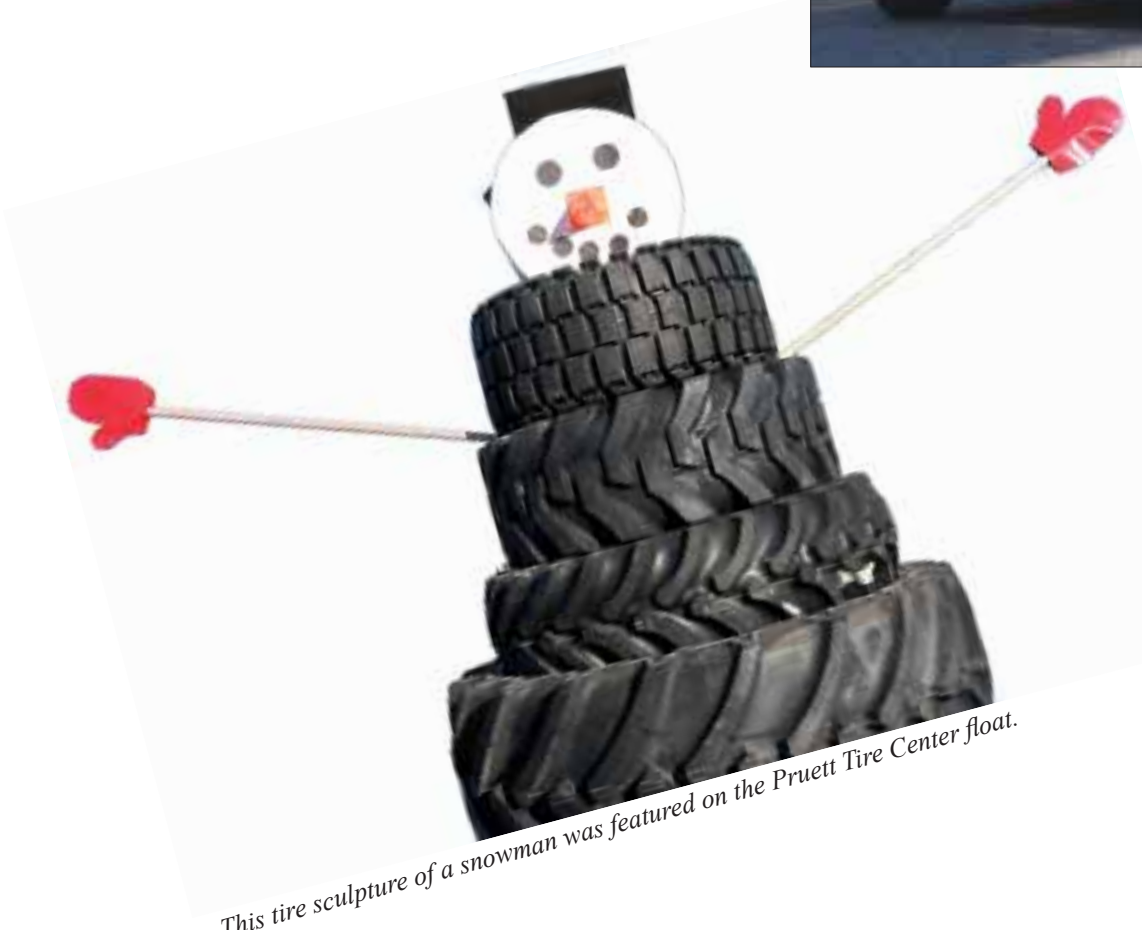
Members of the Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church ride in Saturday's parade.



Job's Daughters want to resurrect the Homedale chapter, and rode in a float designed by Blake Titus.



Marc and Tanya Vanderwiel of Boise ride in their newly restored 1966 Ford Mustang. Behind them is Joe Aman's 1935 Ford pickup.



This tire sculpture of a snowman was featured on the Pruett Tire Center float.



Children throw candy from a gingerbread float entered from Marsing.

Homedale library youth group tackles quilt project

With a chill in the air around the holidays, the children of the Homedale Public Library Tween and Teen Program will embark on a special project.

Children in the group open to ages 10-17, will make a quilt during their weekly gatherings throughout December. The group meets from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. each Tuesday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

The teens and tweens still haven't decided what to do with the quilt, according to program coordinator Sara Martin.

"They have the choice to donate it or they may put it on display and ultimately sell it to help raise funds for the summer reading program," Martin said.

Other craft projects for December include learning how to sew and make rice socks, hair scrunchies, bean bags and hacky sacks.

The quilt-making began Tuesday after deadline when they also made hacky sacks.

The final meeting of the year, on Tuesday, Dec. 27, the group will throw a New Year's party.

For more information, call the library at 337-4228 afternoons between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. and ask for Martin.

The specific schedule:

- **Tuesday** — Decorating more quilt squares and creating hair scrunchies and bean bags
- **Dec. 20** — The children will tie the quilt before moving on to making rice socks.
- **Dec. 27** — New Year's party with games and refreshments

Cats' Christmas wish read at Story Time

The library's preschool reading program gets in the holiday mood with a reading of "What Cats Want for Christmas".

The reading takes place at 10:15 a.m. Friday. There will be snacks and music.

HES first-, second-graders plan big Christmas show

Show concludes with performance of teacher's original composition

Homedale first- and second-graders plan a Christmas concert at the middle school on Tuesday.

"A lot of neat things are going to happen," Homedale elementary through sixth-grader music director Lee Savell said.

The program takes place at 7 p.m. inside the Homedale Middle School gymnasium, 3437 Johnstone Road.

In an earlier letter sent to parents, Savell said the program should last about 40 minutes.

The first-graders' song list includes "Must Be Santa", "Here Comes Santa Claus", Dreidel Song, "Up on the Housetop", "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" and "Polar Puppy".

Second-graders will sing "Joy to the World", "Children Go Where I Send Thee", "Christmas Time is Here", "Jingle Bells" and "Song in the Night".

Students from both grades then will come together for the grand finale performance of "The Reindeer Dance", which is an original composition of Savell and former music partner Larry Dean.

Savell and Dean wrote and sang songs in the 1970s in Hollywood before Savell moved away to go back to school and earn his Bachelor's in Music Education from The College of Idaho.

Dean remained in Southern California and became an acclaimed songwriter and performer with appearances on TNN's Nashville Now and as a performer at the Academy Awards Board of Governors Ball 30 years ago.

This summer, the duo reunited and wrote "The Reindeer Dance".

"It is our sincere hope that the children and the community will never forget this experience and will carry the Light of Christmas in their hearts and be willing to share the message that this song brings to life," Larry & Lee wrote in a press release.

Savell plans to take groups of other elementary students on singing tours later this month:

- **Thursday, Dec. 15** — Fourth-graders will perform at 11:35 a.m. at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.
- **Monday, Dec. 19** — A select group of third- and fourth-graders will sing for residents at Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation, 108 W. Owyhee Ave.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 20** — Third-graders will sing at 11:35 a.m. at the senior center.

Savell also had a group of singers in Saturday's Homedale for the Holidays parade.

Fundraiser set for locals running in Arizona half-marathon in January

On Saturday, Marsing residents Michelle Jacobi and Melissa Enrico will team up with The Spot Pizza to raise money for a half-marathon to raise money for multiple sclerosis awareness and research.

Saturday's event will help the "Running With MJ" team earn its total of \$12,250 to participate in the P.F. Chang's Rock 'N' Roll Arizona ½ Marathon in January at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe, Ariz.

Jacobi has been fighting the autoimmune disease that attacks the brain and spinal cord and interrupts the flow of information between the brain and body prohibiting people from moving.

"There isn't enough awareness out there for MS," Enrico said. "Even though I don't have these battles, I watch a very good friend of mine battle it everyday."

On Saturday, both Jacobi and Enrico will become waitresses at The Spot, and a portion of the night's proceeds from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. will be donated toward their team's appearance in the marathon.

"I think I've lost my mind running in a marathon," Jacobi said. "We have five other runners that will make the trip to Arizona and help raise the awareness for those with MS."

The Spot will also feature live



Michelle Jacobi, left, and Melissa Enrico, right, stand with Susan Watson outside of The Spot Pizza in Marsing. On Saturday, Jacobi and Enrico will wait tables for tips to help raise money to compete in a multiple sclerosis marathon in Arizona.

For more information or to donate toward the marathon, contact Jacobi at (208) 283-9832 or by email michellej@cbhhomes.com or Enrico at (208) 412-5136 or by email melissae@cbhhomes.com.

McCall Winter Carnival stay is top prize in MRW raffle

District tries to get funding for vehicle extrication gear

Time is running out to take part in the Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District fundraiser raffle.

The volunteer district, which includes MRW Fire and Central Owyhee Quick Response Unit, is giving away a week's stay in McCall to coincide with the Valley County town's annual Winter Carnival.

Tickets are one for \$5 or five for \$20. The winner will get a six-day, seven-night stay in a WorldMark by Wyndam condominium from Feb. 2-9. The condo has accommodations for six people.

Fire chief Wes Anderson said proceeds will be used to help purchase vehicle extrication equipment, which is priced at about \$30,000.

The winning ticket will be drawn on Saturday, Dec. 17. For more information, call Anderson at (208) 590-9967.

MRW volunteers also were selling chili for \$2.50 per bowl as another fundraiser Saturday during the Owyhee County Historical Society's Christmas Bazaar in Murphy.

Anderson said the MRW department soon will have a 1986 GMC four-wheel-drive fire engine on line, and that the district also is looking into adding another fire engine from eastern Idaho.



Megan Smith, 13, and her mother, Laurie Smith, both of Melba, pick out a Charlie Brown Christmas tree Saturday during the Owyhee County Historical Society's Christmas Bazaar in Murphy. Jim Hyslop was coordinating the sales and cutting the trees Saturday, and as an OCHS representative he donated a tree to The Owyhee Avalanche for use with the annual gift drive for Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation residents. An updated wish list for the residents appears on **Page 28**.

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for hoops season

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McClellin moves up on Bronco sacks list

Marsing grad can move to No. 6 all-time in MAACO Bowl

Shea McClellin made a big splash early in his final home game for the Boise State football team.

The Marsing High School graduate made his 36th consecutive start Saturday in the No. 7-ranked Broncos' 45-0 blowout of New Mexico on Senior Day at Bronco Stadium.

The 6-foot-3, 255-pounder acted quickly to move up BSU's career leaders list in quarterback sacks.

On the game's fourth play from scrimmage, McClellin roared around the left side of the Lobos' offensive line and flattened New Mexico quarterback B.R. Holbrook.

The 2007 Marsing High School graduate then showed

more emotion than most have come to expect from him, pulling off a brief, wild dance to celebrate a big play during his final game on the blue.

The sack, which drew a roar from the 33,878 Bronco fans who braved chilly, windy conditions, gave McClellin sole possession of seventh place on the Broncos' career sacks list. He has 19.5 with one game left in his four-year career. The senior's sixth sack of the season moved him from ninth overall and past Joe O'Brien and Chris Shepherd, who had been tied for seventh on the all-time list with 19 sacks each.

McClellin finished the game with the sack, one solo tackle, a tackle for loss and three

— See **McClellin**, Page 19



Marsing's Shea McClellin (No. 92) celebrates with fellow senior Jarrell Root following his takedown of New Mexico quarterback B.R. Holbrook on Saturday in Boise. With the tackle, McClellin moved into sole possession of seventh place in the Boise State sack rankings with 19.5.

Trojans' surge can't stop Huskies

HHS delivers 34 second-half points to close gap

Despite a strong second-half showing, Homedale High School couldn't overcome a 14-point halftime deficit in its boys' basketball season opener against Marsing last week.

From the start, the Huskies controlled the game and were up by 20 points during the third quarter, but a strong fourth-quarter surge by the Trojans lessened the damage in the non-conference rivalry game.

"Anytime you have a Homedale-Marsing game, neither team likes to lose to each other," Marsing coach JW Chadez said. "Sometimes it means more to the community members than it does the team. The guys out there playing are all friends, and it does give them a little bit of bragging rights in a way to win."

Marsing was paced by sophomore guard Miguel Leon,

who went to work on the hoop, landing six of his eight free throws to finish with 18 points. Not to be outdone, Homedale's Trey Corta recorded 18 points and eight rebounds.

"We let (Marsing) get into their zone and weren't pushing the ball very much. Late in the third and fourth, we attacked the zone. I think our defense intensity was much better as well," HHS coach Kenny Thomas said. "(Corta) is just an athlete and a competitor and was taking it to the basket almost every drive in the fourth. We were trying to feed off his energy."

Jason Galligan, Marsing's 6-foot-4 post posted 17 points and hit three three-point attempts followed by teammate Jose Acuna with 11 points.

"We wanted a strong start. At the Jamboree we dropped down early to Homedale. I didn't

know what to expect when you have a thin team and not a lot of experience on varsity," Chadez said. "I think what really helped our guys was hitting the shots first. I'm not sure if that is something we are always going to do. We were up by 20 and got a little bit complacent. Jason got into foul trouble, and Homedale made a run at the margin."

For Homedale, Kade Eiguren picked up 11 points followed by Brett Ryska with nine points and eight rebounds. Hayden Krzesnik led the Trojans with six assists.

The Trojans will have a second opportunity at taking on the Huskies when the two finish out the two game series on Tuesday in Marsing.

"I think really it is about being mentally prepared," Thomas said. "Finding a way to come out with that same intensity all the time instead of coming out there when it really is on the line is key for us."

— JLZ



Marsing's Jason Galligan (No. 5) blocks a shot by Homedale's Casey Christoffersen shot during the second half of last week's game.

Homedale Middle School wrestlers hunt title repeat

Homedale Middle School's wrestling team is on a roll with an opportunity to win a second consecutive 3A Snake River Valley conference championship Saturday.

The Trojans dominated most of their opponents during Saturday's 3A SRV-2A Western Idaho

Conference Duals in Ontario, Ore.

Homedale had several unbeaten wrestlers on the day, including Andy Montes (5-0), Jacob Furlott, Brandon Flores, Jake Deal, Nash Johnson (all 4-0), Richard Symms, Cesar Vasquez, Jakobee Osborn, Enrique Palacios (3-0)

and Manny Macias (1-0).

Homedale beat McCain of Payette, 95-9, Nyssa, 75-54, Parma, 60-34, New Plymouth, 81-32, and Vale, 50-37.

Hunter Thornton went 5-1, while Caleb Meligan, Jairo Hurtado and Williams Elordi were 3-1. Chase Martell, Orion Cardenas, Eddy

Rodriguez and Manny Baltierrez were 2-1, and Ryan Randall, Kaleb Ketcherside, John Collett and Francisco Amezcuita all wrestled .500 days.

"The boys looked really good," coach Toby Johnson said. "They are really starting to improve their use of good technique, and their

mat awareness is much better."

Last Wednesday, the Trojans won the majority of their matches in sweep a tri-meet at home against Ontario and Weiser.

Homedale attempts to defend its 2010 conference championship Saturday in the 3A SRV conference tournament in Payette.

Sports

Trojans, Farwell off to fiery start

Senior matches season scoring as HHS girls split week

Hard work and focus is paying off early for a Homedale High School girls' basketball team that is off to the program's best start in nearly a decade.

Senior guard Kylie Farwell scored a career-high 21 points Thursday night to spark the Trojans' 43-23 rout of host Melba.

Farwell has begun the season on a tear, averaging 17 points during the Trojans' 3-1 start.

"She has been a leader at practice and on the court," first-year coach Matt Holtry said. "Her hustle and determination to win is what we want in all of our players."

Perhaps it is contagious. A series of fundamental stumbles led to Homedale's only loss of the season in a 45-39 overtime setback to Nampa Christian.

"I was very proud of the girls in the way that they bounced back after a tough outing and an OT loss at Nampa Christian," Holtry said after the Melba blowout.

"They showed that they are determined to get better every day, and that is all I can ask as a coach.

Homedale has pieced together its fastest start of the 3A era, and the best start overall since 2002 when the Mark Weekes-coached Trojans won five of their first seven games.

Although no team in the past

eight seasons has won more than once in its first four games, Holtry isn't surprised by this year's early success.

"These girls have worked hard for this opportunity, and these seniors deserve a good season," he said. "It started by being committed this past summer, and it continues with their work ethic at practice."

After a relatively slow start against Melba, the Trojans held a 25-11 halftime edge. They outscored the Mustangs, 13-5, to start the second half to seal the deal. Farwell scored nine points in the third quarter, including her lone three-pointer. She also was 4-for-4 from the foul line as Homedale erased the memory of a poor foul-shooting night against Nampa Christian with a 7-for-8 showing.

Kaylee Rupp scored six points, and Deena Emry hit a three-pointer as part of her five.

Stephanie Hylton scored seven points to lead the Mustangs

Nov. 29: Nampa Christian 45, Homedale 39 (OT) — Despite overcoming early shooting and ball-handling difficulties, Homedale couldn't prevent its first loss of the season.

"We played sloppy as a team as far as taking care of the ball in the first half," Holtry said. "I feel we played good enough on defense to stay in the game,

but when we got opportunities to make runs we turned the ball right back over to them. The cold shooting didn't help either."

Farwell poured in 13 points before fouling out.

Nampa Christian (3-2) outscored Homedale, 8-2, in overtime as Debra Esparza's free throws were Homedale's only points.

After Holtry called a timeout about 1½ minutes into the second quarter, Homedale closed the first half with a 14-5 run that reeled Nampa Christian back in.

Homedale's overall streak reached 25-12 by the end of the third quarter when the squad held a 27-25 lead.

Katie Rhodes scored 11 points for Nampa Christian.

Homedale rallied from an 11-4 deficit but was never able to gain the lead during its second-quarter comeback. Raven Kelly's layup drew the team to within a point, 13-12, with 5 minutes, 8 seconds to go in the half. The senior forward finished with seven points.

"I think we played well defensively, and when you do that you can keep yourself in a lot of games," Holtry said. "Eventually you have to put the ball in the hoop, though, and that hurt us."

Sophomore Destiny Long led Homedale with eight rebounds. She also scored four points, all from the floor.

Homedale missed on 14 of its 27 free-throw attempts.

— JPB

Adrian girls collect PC tourney crown

The Adrian High School girls' basketball team is off to an unbeaten start, including a championship in the Prairie City Tip Off Tournament.

Junior Madison Purnell had 10 points and 10 rebounds and hit six of eight foul shots Saturday as the Antelopes beat Prairie City, 32-23, in the tournament championship game.

Hayley Martin, a 5-foot-8 junior, scored eight points.

Friday: Adrian 42, Joseph 21 — Annie Bowns scored eight

points in the tournament opener, and Maddy Pendergrass and Purnell chipped in seven points each.

Purnell also grabbed nine rebounds.

Thursday: Adrian 48, Greenleaf Friends Academy 33 — Coach Gene Mills' squad opened the season on the road with a 27-point first quarter.

Olivia Morton and Purnell scored 12 points each for the Antelopes.

Madison Johnson led the Grizzlies with 17 points.

Shots aren't falling in early going for Adrian boys

Chilly shooting has the Adrian High School boys' basketball team off to a winless start after three games.

Despite a lack of accuracy from the floor, the Antelopes improved from each previous game while playing on three consecutive nights between Thursday and Saturday.

The team's comeback fell short Saturday in a 52-47 loss to North Lake in the second night of the Prairie City Tip Off Tournament.

"The boys played a good, hard-fought game," Adrian coach Brent Ishida said. "The boys got plenty of good looks but went cold in the second quarter and just couldn't close the gap."

Paxton Shira hit only seven of his 24 shots, scoring 23 points and grabbing 14 rebounds. All but six of his rebounds were on North Lake's end of the floor.

Friday: Joseph 76, Adrian 40 — Shira scored 16 points, and Tommy Shenk added 11, but the

Antelopes couldn't overcome a five-point first half.

Joseph owned a 35-5 lead at the intermission before Adrian erupted for 24 points in the third quarter. The Eagles kept pace, though, with 20 points in the first eight minutes of the second half.

Thursday: Greenleaf Friends Academy 73, Adrian 29 — The Antelopes served as the opponent in the Grizzlies' emotional first game of the season. Greenleaf players rallied on the day that funeral services were held for their coach, Mantia Callender, who died after a brain aneurysm.

Shira led the Antelopes with 10 points.


Adrian fell behind 39-10 at halftime and gave up 29 points in the third quarter.

Homedale resident Dalton Penrod scored 11 points for the Grizzlies, with Marsing product JB Bermudez-Koch added eight points.





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Student Athlete Spotlight

Trey Corta *Senior Basketball*

The Play — In two games last week Corta racked up 34 points and 15 rebounds.

Coach's take — "I think the kids look to Trey. He is a three-year starter and they follow him. He is a natural leader and the other guys feed off his intensity and emotion."

— Kenny Thomas

Girls' basketball

Varsity

Thursday, Dec. 8 at Marsing, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 9 at Adrian Tournament, TBA

Saturday, Dec. 10 at Adrian Tournament, TBA

Tuesday, Dec. 13 at Parma, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity

Thursday, Dec. 8 at Marsing, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 13 at Parma, 6 p.m.

Frosh-soph

Thursday, Dec. 8 at Marsing, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 9 at Parma, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 13 at Parma, 4:30 p.m.

Boys' basketball

Varsity

Thursday, Dec. 8 vs. New Plymouth at Middleton Middle School, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 9 vs. North Star Charter at Middleton Middle School, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 13 at Marsing, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity

Thursday, Dec. 8 vs. New Plymouth at Middleton Middle School, 6 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 9 vs. North Star Charter at Middleton Middle School, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 13 at Marsing, 6 p.m.


Frosh-soph

Thursday, Dec. 8 vs. New Plymouth at Middleton Middle School, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 13 at Marsing, 4:30 p.m.

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

Wednesday, Dec. 14 at Parma (tri-meet vs. Parma, Nyssa), 6 p.m.




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Sports

Lady Huskies rebound from two-game skid with two wins

Marsing set to host Homedale on Thursday

Coming off two home losses, the Marsing High School girls' basketball team got their legs back, beating Parma and Payette on the road last week.

Last week, the Lady Huskies (2-2 overall) played three back-to-back non-conference games. Following its 40-35 home loss on Nov. 29 to Payette, Marsing put on a stunning show Wednesday to top Parma 39-38.

"After we played on Tuesday, our mindset was trying to define some roles," Marsing coach



Tim Little said. "The girls really haven't had a chance to define their roles. They came together this week as a team more so than with those two weeks of practice."

Taking on the Pirates for a second time in 72 hours, something clicked for the Lady Huskies. They led the majority of the game and had only a little scare from a last-quarter run by Payette. Marsing topped its host 43-30.

"We have to focus on our game and stick to our strengths," Little said. "You could feel the

momentum switch to Payette a little bit in the third. We had some plays that sparked us and put together some stops to get the lead back up, keeping us from going into panic mode."

On the night, Ashley Hull drained 18 points to lead Marsing for the second time in two games with a double-digit performance.

"(Ashley) fills a role we need," Little said. "She knows as well as everybody that she isn't the team, but we need the role she fills. This week, she has shot 90 percent from the line and makes a big difference."

Lacey Usabel locked up seven of the Lady Huskies' points going, 3-for-5 from the floor. Andrea Rodriguez, Deidrie Briggs and

Dafni Clausen each picked up five points. Clausen recorded 11 rebounds followed by Rodriguez with eight.

This week, Marsing's resolve will be tested as they take on Homedale (3-1) on Thursday night at home and Melba (2-3) on Saturday night in Melba.

"The tough thing about the Homedale game is it is right before Melba. What happens with Homedale happens," Little said. "We will be prepared to counter their aggressive style of play, but in the grand scheme of things it is an opportunity to get better."

"The Melba game is a rematch of the district championship game from last year. Melba has two all-league players returning, and our girls know what they are up

against."

Little feels the Lady Huskies are beginning to settle in playing their style of basketball.

"We are getting people to fill the roles off the bench, Shelbi (Ferdinand), Kat (Welch) and Evon (Timmons) understand they have to go in and fill key roles," Little said. "When we settle in and play our game and the season progresses, we will define our positions."

"I think with our preseason shaping up the way it has, I think we are coming in the back door. You can't put all the eggs in the basket at the beginning of the season. We just have to keep chugging away and we will improve and get better."

— JLZ

Rimrock boys look for spark from football standouts

Raiders ready to improve on break-even 2010-11 campaign

John Hannah is hoping that a little gridiron greatness will rub off on his boys' basketball team.

The key returners to the second-year coach's Rimrock High School squad just wrapped up a second consecutive appearance in the 1A, Div. I state playoffs as leaders of the Raiders' football team.

Seniors Clay Cantrell, a 6-foot small forward/wing, and Oscar Gomez, a 5-10 point guard/wing, top a Raiders roster that will feature mostly underclassmen.

"This is their third year at the

varsity level," Hannah said of his two seniors. "Both were part of a successful football program."

"They have good work ethic, a winning attitude and know what it will take to be successful at basketball."

For good measure, their football coach, Juan Colunga, is one of two assistant coaches helping Hannah this season. Patrick Milligan is the other assistant.

The team opens the season tonight in Bruneau against Owyhee, Nev. Rimrock continues

its non-conference schedule with a Friday night game in Jordan Valley and a 4 p.m. Saturday tilt at home against Garden Valley.

Hannah concedes that the Raiders lack size as the hard-nosed and versatile Cantrell and 6-foot sophomore wing Jared Lemieux are the tallest players on the team. But the coach is ready to counter the lack of height with an up-tempo game plan.

"Due to our lack of size, we will need to play full-court pressure defense, hopefully relying on a transition game," he said.

Gomez could be a key to the defense, and he'll definitely be an ignition point for the offense.

He nailed 26 three-point goals last year as a god complement to Cantrell's penetrating style.

Hannah, who is in his 25th season coaching basketball overall, reports only 19 players out for the school's two teams. With so few athletes in a sport that can be ultra-physical at times, he's looking to younger players for significant contributions on the varsity.

The coach said Lemieux and 5-9 sophomore point guard Cody Steele will both see more playing time. Steele got some looks with the varsity squad as a ninth-grader, and Hannah lauds his ball-handling and passing skills.

As for Lemieux: "He will need to provide minutes at the varsity level this year," Hannah said. "With playing time, he could become a valued asset."

Rimrock was 9-10 a year ago and finished fifth in the 1A, Div. I District III Tournament.

Hannah admits that finding room at the top will be difficult this season with the 1A Western Idaho Conference battle coming down to Notus, Wilder, Liberty Charter and Greenleaf Friends Academy again. Wilder and Notus reached the 1A, Div. I state tournament last year and met in the first round of consolation play. The Pirates went on to lose the consolation championship to Grace.

But the Raiders' coach has a warning for anyone expecting a carbon copy of last season.

"Don't count Rimrock out," he said. "Our goal last year was to finish at .500, and we did."

"This year our goals will be higher. Finishing at .500 is not an option."

— JPB

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Student Athlete Spotlight

Miguel LeonSoph. Basketball

The Play — Leon locked in for 18 points and went 6-for-8 from the free throw line to lead the Huskies in their 59-50 win over Homedale last week.

Coach's Take — "Miguel takes care of the ball and plays all 32 minutes. He is the calm we need on the floor. Homedale put on a good run and got within a few points and Miguel really controlled the game."

— JW Chadez

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Varsity	Varsity
Thursday, Dec. 8, home vs. Homedale, 7:30 p.m.	Saturday, Dec. 10 at Greenleaf Friends Academy, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 9 at Melba, 7:30 p.m.	Tuesday, Dec. 13, home vs. Homedale, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A	Junior varsity A
Thursday, Dec. 8, home vs. Homedale, 6 p.m.	Saturday, Dec. 10 at Greenleaf Friends Academy, 6 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 9 at Melba, 6 p.m.	Tuesday, Dec. 13, home vs. Homedale, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B	Junior varsity B
Thursday, Dec. 8, home vs. Homedale, 4:45 p.m.	Tuesday, Dec. 13, home vs. Homedale, 4:45 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 9 at Melba, 4:45 p.m.	
Wrestling	
Friday, Dec. 9 at Calhoun Classic, Nyssa, Ore., 3 p.m.	
Saturday, Dec. 10 at Calhoun Classic, Nyssa, Ore., 10 a.m.	



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Prep wrestling seasons starts

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Homedale and Marsing both are scheduled to compete in the two-day Calhoun Classic.

The tournament concludes Saturday in Nyssa, Ore.

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Sports

Rimrock girls search for range in busy opening weeks

Young, speedy team faces challenge in tough 1A WIC

The Rimrock High School girls’ basketball team is searching for its shooting touch this season. Last year’s leading scorer — sophomore Kyla Jewett — returns, but the second-leading scorer from 2010-11, Laura Smith, graduated in the spring along with top rebounder Lyndie Gillespie. With the loss of one of his scoring weapons, Mike Chandler is well aware that the team will struggle with its shooting percentage early on. Rimrock (0-2) scored just 16 points in a 69-16 season-opening loss to Dietrich in a Nov. 22 non-conference home game. Last Wednesday, the Raiders

fell 55-27 to Richfield in a non-conference road game. The Raiders (9-10 a year ago), who finished fourth in the 1A, Div. I District III Tournament and just missed a state berth, will have plenty of game exposure to work on their shots in the first part of December. The team challenged Richfield on the road last Wednesday before playing host to Greenleaf Friends Academy in the conference opener Tuesday after deadline. Tonight, Rimrock is home for the 6 p.m. opener of a boys-girls doubleheader against non-conference opponent Owyhee, Nev. Chandler’s charges travel

to Jordan Valley for a 6:30 p.m. non-conference tilt on Friday and then play a 2:30 p.m. matinee Saturday against another non-conference foe, Garden Valley, at home. The Rimrock boys will be in action both days, too. The week finally ends Monday with a 7:30 p.m. tipoff in Boise against Riverstone International. But the intensity of the schedule doesn’t slow down as the Raiders are scheduled to take on Idaho City on the road on Dec. 13 and then visit Owyhee, Nev., on Dec. 15 before taking a break through Christmas and New Year’s. The road conference game against the Wildcats should give Chandler a glimpse into his prognostication skills. “Liberty Charter and Idaho City should be very strong,”

the sixth-year coach said of the 1A Western Idaho Conference. “Overall, I think the league will be strong this year.” Greenleaf, Liberty Charter and Notus all qualified for the 1A, Div. I state tournament last season, and all lost in the first round. Liberty Charter reached the consolation final before losing to Raft River. Chandler says his relatively young team will put a fast-paced brand of basketball on the court. There’s only one senior among the Raiders’ key returners, and Chandler said Sydnee James will contribute speed on defense. Two juniors Chandler tabs as top returners could help the Raiders on the glass until their shooting comes around. Bailey Bachman is known for her rebounding, and Chandler says

6-foot Shana McCarthy could be a controlling force under the basket. Chandler, who is in his 19th year as a high school basketball coach, also has his leading scorer from a year ago back, and Kyla Jewett is only a sophomore. He also said that sophomore newcomer Sami Bachman will be a top shooter for the squad and also contribute to the overall team speed. The guard helped coach Sadan Selimovik’s JV squad to the 1A WIC championship as a freshman after an improbable run through the conference tournament in February. Selimovik is back as JV head coach and a varsity assistant. “Our guards should lead the team with quickness on defense and offense,” Chandler said.

— JPB

Jordan Valley girls open with loss to Liberty

Mustangs field team for first time in two years

The Jordan Valley High School girls’ basketball team returns after a one-year hiatus because of a lack of numbers. This year, the Mustangs have four returning varsity players, along with two freshmen and a new sophomore. The returning players spent the 2010-11 season playing in the boys’ basketball program. First-year coach Clint Fillmore and his assistant, Shelly Gluch, will guide the team this year. Christina Rogers, Jessi Carson, and Meagan Fillmore will be the senior leaders for the team this year, along with

junior Hayley Caywood. There are a total of seven girls out for the team this season. During the three weeks of practice, the team has been working hard to get in shape, handle the ball, and to become a strong girls’ varsity team. Fans can expect strong defensive skills, a lot of hustle, and improvement throughout the year, according to the coaching staff. **Friday: Liberty Charter 71, Jordan Valley 25** — The Mustangs traveled to Nampa to open the season against the Patriots of the 1A Western Idaho Conference. Turnovers and first-game jitters contributed to the loss. Carson led the team with eight points. Meagan Fillmore and Andy Warn scored six points each, while Caywood chipped in four points. Carson and Fillmore led the rebounding effort. “I thought the girls did pretty well with their first game,” Clint Fillmore said. “The nerves got us pretty bad in the first half, but we did positive things also. Liberty Charter is a very sound, fast team that played very well.” Jordan Valley plays host to another 1A WIC team, Rimrock, on Friday.

Mustangs boys can’t maintain fast start in opener

Jordan Valley High School got its boys’ basketball season off to a fast start Saturday, but couldn’t sustain the momentum. Host Notus of the 1A Western Idaho Conference erased an early deficit and pulled off a 45-30 non-league victory over the Mustangs. Ty Warn scored 12 points and was 3-for-3 from the free-throw line for Jordan Valley, which started the game on a 14-7 run through the first quarter, but couldn’t put together another double-digit scoring period. “We struggled offensively, especially in the second half,” Jordan Valley coach Mike Workman said. “We had too many turnovers and we need to handle pressure better. “I was pleased with the defensive effort, and we showed good intensity throughout the game.” Nathan Easterday, a 6-foot-5 senior post, was held t four points. Nate Elsner also scored four points. Neither player made it to the foul line. Blaine Moran chipped in seven points for Jordan Valley, which takes on Rimrock (Friday) and Notus (Saturday) at home this weekend. Notus edged Jordan Valley, 45-41, in last week’s junior varsity contest.

✓ McClellin: Among top 20 NCAA active sack leaders with one game left

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assists. It was one of his biggest games statistically at home this season. The Marsing product is a half-sack behind team leader Tyrone Crawford this season, and he’s second to Crawford in tackles for loss with 9.5. McClellin is the leading tackler on the defensive line this year with 46 tackles, which puts him third overall on the Broncos this season. He has the fifth-most solo tackles among BSU defenders this season. He is one of the top 20 NCAA active sack leaders with one game remaining in his career and sits a half-sack away from No. 6 on the Broncos’ all-time list. Durrelle Goodloe had 20 sacks for the Broncos between 1989 and 1992. As one has come to expect, McClellin deflects any credit

for his success. His position coach – and the Broncos’ defensive coordinator – Pete Kwaitowski gets the biggest chunk of praise. “It’s been really great working with him,” McClellin said. “He’s taught me everything I know from day one and helped me become a better athlete and become the best defensive end that I can, so it’s just great. “He’s just helped me so much throughout my career. It’s been great.” After taking in the cheers of grateful fans as BSU’s seniors were introduced one-by-one before Saturday’s Mountain West Conference finale, McClellin is ready for one last game under Kwaitowski’s tutelage as the Broncos make their second consecutive appearance in the MAACO Bowl Las Vegas. The Dec. 22 bowl game

against Pac-12 representative Arizona State will cap a career that McClellin entered without any expectations of greatness. “I wanted to just come in here and do as much as I could to help the team out,” he said. “Throughout the years, it’s been great, and it’s definitely exceeded my expectations.” McClellin is grateful that BSU head coach Chris Petersen and Kwaitowski had different plans for him than other colleges that recruited him after his stellar two-way career as a linebacker and fullback under Huskies coach Don Heller. “When they recruited me, they told me I would play defensive end,” he said. “I was pleased because every other college wanted me to play tight end.” He wanted no part of playing at the end of the offensive line,

though, “because I’m not good at blocking.” Instead, McClellin grew into a guy that many offensive tackles have learned they’re no good at blocking. That quiet toughness has paid dividends for the faith Broncos’ coaches showed in McClellin when they were recruiting him out of Class 2A Marsing. “We knew he was a very dominant player at his level and the one question we had is, ‘How are you going to handle the difference in the level of competition?’ ” Kwaitowski said. “There are a lot of guys that can be really dominant at their level of high school and they come to a big-time football school, and you’re not sure how they’re going to respond when they get their lunch handed to them. “That was probably our

biggest concern because that was unknown.” It didn’t take long for McClellin to erase those worries. He rebounded from a leg injury that cost him the final three games of his freshman year. Making his first career start in the third game of his sophomore season, McClellin picked up a solo tackle and five assists against Bowling Green in 2009 and never left the starting lineup. “In his first two years, he was a good player. You could see he had the potential to be really good,” Kwaitowski said. “But when he finally got the confidence that he was a good player and that he could be physical and put all those things together with his athleticism, that’s when he really took off.”

— JPB

FAMILY FEATURES

When preparing a holiday feast, you want to know your friends and family will enjoy every last bite. But cooking the meal can often mean spending more time in the kitchen and less time connecting with loved ones. This holiday season, use these tips and recipes to create truly delicious dishes, while spending more time with your guests.

Effortless Entertaining Tips

Whether you’ve been planning a holiday party for weeks, or you just got a call to alert you of unexpected company, here are some great tips for how to be prepared for hosting guests this season.

- **Surprise! We’re on the way.** The last-minute arrival of company doesn’t have to be stressful. Simply whip up a tray of convenient savory cocktail links, such as Hillshire Farm Lit’l Smokies — these pre-cooked favorites for both adults and kids are ready in less than 60 seconds. Accompany these savory sausages with easy-to-make dipping sauces using many of the ingredients found in your refrigerator.
- **Planning a dinner party? Think simple.** Think ahead and plan your menu with recipes that can be made in advance. Whip up dips, casseroles and desserts the day before. This way you’ll only have to worry about meats, cheeses and veggies on the day of your event.
- **Need some flair? Add a garnish.** Serving beautiful plates is easy when you create garnishes from items already in your fridge. Slice vegetables on the bias, or use fresh herbs to add color and flavor to dishes.
- **Stock up for delicious nibbles.** Keep the pantry and refrigerator stocked with tasty ingredients so you can make convenient snacks to keep you going through all the holiday prep. To cut calories without cutting the flavor this season, opt for fresh or better-for-you options like low-fat artisan cheeses, sweet or tart fruit, and poultry-based products such as the new Hillshire Farm Applewood Smoked Lit’l Smokies. With 60 percent less fat than traditional Lit’l Smokies, these sausages can see you through tree decorating and present wrapping.

When hosting friends and family for the holidays, time together is highly valued. Whether you have 40 minutes to spend in the kitchen or just a few minutes to whip up a delightful treat together, enjoy these flavorful cocktail links that are simple to prepare and sure to be new holiday family favorites. For more recipes, visit www.hillshirefarm.com.

If Time Is on Your Side

Fancy Pigs in a Blanket

Prep Time: 25 minutes Cook Time: 15 minutes
Makes: 15 appetizer servings (3 each)

- 2 packages Hillshire Farm Applewood Smoked Chicken Lit’l Smokies
- 2 cans (8 ounces each) refrigerated crescent rolls (reduced fat)
- 3 tablespoons Dijon mustard plus extra for dipping if desired
- 1/2 cup whole berry cranberry sauce

Preheat oven to 375°F. Open package of cocktail links and drain off any liquid; set aside.
Separate crescent rolls from both cans into 8 rectangles total; firmly press perforations to seal. Cut each rectangle into 6 squares.
Spread a small amount of mustard in center of each square. Place approximately 1/2 teaspoon of cranberry sauce on top of mustard. Place a sausage on top of cranberry sauce; bring up 2 opposite corners of dough over sausage and pinch to seal.
Place wrapped pigs in a blanket on baking sheet. Bake 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown. Serve with additional Dijon mustard if desired.



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Make It a Team Effort

- Don’t carry the holiday cooking burden alone – share the responsibilities by asking everyone to bring a little something to the feast:
- **Beverages** – Sparkling wine, juices, lemonade or flavored waters will ensure everyone will have a favorite.
 - **Breads** – Most grocery stores now carry artisanal selections, such as rosemary and olive oil, or asiago breads.
 - **Desserts** – Make sure to ask for a variety, such as pecan pie, cheesecake and brownies, for example.
 - **Side Dishes** – Potatoes, vegetables and whole grains can be warmed up in your oven shortly before serving dinner.

Whip It Up in Minutes

Mustard-Maple Dipping Sauce

- Prep Time: 5 minutes Cook Time: 1 to 3 minutes Makes: 1/2 cup (8 servings)
- 1 package Hillshire Farm Applewood Smoked Chicken Lit’l Smokies
 - 1/4 cup Dijon mustard
 - 1/4 cup real maple syrup
 - 2 teaspoons prepared horseradish

Remove Lit’l Smokies from package and place on microwave-safe dish. Microwave on medium-high power for 1 to 3 minutes, checking every minute.
Mix mustard, maple syrup and horseradish in small bowl. Serve with heated cocktail links.

Spicy Southwestern Barbeque Dipping Sauce

- Prep Time: 5 minutes Cook Time: 1 to 3 minutes Makes: 1/2 cup (8 servings)
- 1 package Hillshire Farm Applewood Smoked Chicken Lit’l Smokies
 - 1/2 cup barbeque sauce
 - 1 small chipotle chili pepper in adobo sauce

Remove cocktail links from package and place on a microwave-safe dish. Microwave on medium-high power for 1 to 3 minutes, checking every minute.
Place barbeque sauce and pepper into bowl of small food processor or blender. Puree until smooth. Serve heated with cocktail links.

Warm Swiss Cheese-Apple Dipping Sauce

- Prep Time: 5 minutes Cook Time: 8 minutes Makes: 1/2 cup (8 servings)
- 1 package Hillshire Farm Applewood Smoked Chicken Lit’l Smokies
 - 1 clove garlic, peeled and cut in half
 - 1 cup shredded reduced fat Swiss cheese
 - 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
 - 1 teaspoon cornstarch
 - 1/2 cup apple cider

Remove cocktail links from package and place on microwave-safe dish. Microwave on medium-high power for 1 to 3 minutes, checking every minute.
Rub garlic halves around inside of medium microwave-safe bowl. Discard garlic.
Place cheese, mustard and cornstarch into garlic-rubbed bowl.
Place cider into microwave-safe mug or small bowl. Microwave on medium-high power for 1 to 3 minutes, checking every minute.
Stir hot cider into cheese mixture. Place mixture into microwave and cook on medium power 4 to 6 minutes or until cheese is melted, stirring every 2 minutes. Serve with heated cocktail links.

Buffalo Blue Cheese Dipping Sauce

- Prep Time: 5 minutes Cook Time: 1 to 3 minutes Makes: 1/2 cup (8 servings)
- 1 package Hillshire Farm Applewood Smoked Chicken Lit’l Smokies
 - 1 garlic clove, minced
 - 2 tablespoons vinegar-based hot sauce
 - 2 ounces blue cheese, crumbled
 - 1/2 cup fat free Greek-style yogurt

Remove cocktail links from package and place on microwave-safe dish. Microwave on medium-high power for 1 to 3 minutes, checking every minute.
Mix remaining ingredients together in medium bowl. If desired, further break up pieces of cheese with spoon as you stir. Serve with heated cocktail links.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense Veterans Day

Last Nov. 11, I was in Red Deer, Alberta during Remembrance Day. It coincided with Veterans Day in the U.S., Remembrance Day in Australia and also in England. This day is singled out to honor all the men and women who have served in the armed forces of these countries.

Other countries also honor their soldiers, but this Anglican relationship between Mother England and we three colonies is special. We have much in common. To wit, we speak English as the national language and have a compatible culture. In the 20th century we have joined against a common enemy, AND we all liked the Beatles and James Bond!

I think of us in a familial way. We are siblings begat by Mother England. Canada remains the closest to Mother. The first time I gave a speech in Canada, I was in the Hotel Saskatchewan. The Queen’s picture was prominently displayed over my left shoulder and Prince Phillip’s over my right. I stood a little straighter! The Canadians affection and respect for royalty is apparent.

The United States represents the child who ran away and became successful. He came back and they took him in, but it has always been a more formal relationship. Instead of pictures of the Queen, we are more likely to have posters of Princess Di next to Michael Jackson. I mean, we still send Christmas cards, but no whoopee cushions or cow-pie penholders are exchanged.

Australia is the resentful but dependent child. They had parental problems in their youth. Mother did not spare the rod. Australia is like the kid who had no interest in college, politics or business. They like the beach. But they are loyal and steadfast to the British tradition, in sports, tea parties, and eating organ meats. They are a lot more fun at the reunion than the dogmatic Americans or the pompous Brits.

We three countries share a common bond. We bicker and point fingers at each other. We each think we know best when it comes to manners, sports and how to enjoy life. But like most families that fight at home amongst ourselves, we are quick to get our back up when an outsider dares to pick on one of our own! The picker soon finds we can be a formidable foe. This protective response extends to Mother England, as well, particularly since she is showing signs of old age.

We have other similar traits between us: a frontier in the west, oceans on both sides, a constitutional tolerance for free speech, protest and the welcoming of legal immigrants.

On Veterans Day, Canada, England, Australia and the U.S. all recognize that in the 20th century, war turned the world on its head. We held hands and surrounded Mother England and were the major force that held the enemies at bay.

Today, our combined influence, power, and place in the world is, in large part, the result of millions of individuals who served in the military: the veterans. They are descendents of Great Britain, strengthened by the infusion of the Quebecois, Sikhs, Ukrainians, Latinos, Irish, Oriental, African, Jewish, Asian, Native ... a rainbow of patriots who have assimilated, and help us guard our shores. We watch each other’s backs, help each other up, and believe in the unbelievable ... that each man has a right to be free.

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Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington Owyhee Initiative shows the productiveness of collaboration



In Aesop’s fable of the North Wind and the Sun, the wind and sun try to settle a dispute regarding who was more powerful through two different techniques to remove a passing traveler’s cloak. The North Wind chose the unsuccessful approach of blowing as hard as it could at the traveler. This caused the traveler to wrap the cloak more tightly around him. The sun, on the other hand, shined warmly on the traveler, and the traveler quickly shed his cloak.

Aesop’s lesson is one that applies today, particularly when we look at policies directed at our environment and public lands. Rather than forcing one’s will on others, which often causes conflicting sides to entrench, collaboration achieving locally driven solutions is a far more effective means of persuasion and problem-solving. Collaboration does not mean compromising principles. It does, however, require earnest negotiation with respect for ideas from all perspectives and openness in moving forward.

One of the greatest benefits of collaboration is that

it enables the achievement of win-win solutions that are better than the status quo for all stakeholders. Such solutions are better for the environment and the economy. These improved solutions are achieved because collaboration provides a forum to utilize local creativity and abilities to identify and institute lasting and successful objectives that do not forfeit individual values, but build on them. Through collaboration, participants can actually better achieve their objectives and in ways that benefit the entire community.

Collaboration is neither easy nor quick. Successful resolutions often require crafting local solutions to problems by including the full diversity of sentiments on the issues in any community or region. Through bringing all interests to the table and facing the contentious issues head-on, productive relationships develop, common ground can be found and solutions are discovered. I am committed to collaborative problem-solving, because even though it is difficult, it works.

— See *Collaboration*, Page 23

Letters to the editor

Commissioners refusal to appeal ICRMP ruling hurts citizens

What’s going on? Three years ago, in an open and honest election, the citizens of Owyhee County voted in a new sheriff, Sheriff Crandall. Since that time, Owyhee County Commissioners, select Marsing city officials and a few others have done everything they can to discredit the sheriff, limit funds, and now allow an insurance liability policy to be cancelled without appealing the decision and following normal protocol. These elected officials and others are blatantly showing through their actions that the voice of the citizens of Owyhee County matters only if the “powers that be” get the man they want.

I talked with some sheriff deputies before the elections who were campaigning for the current sheriff at the time. They told me that they would quit and not work for Sheriff Crandall, if he were elected. I was impressed that they thought so much of their boss, but my thoughts of that day have changed as I have watched frivolous lawsuits (that were dismissed) and fighting over patrol cars, money, staffing, etc. The Owyhee County Commissioners need to care for the citizens by providing adequate police protection and insurance protection from inevitable lawsuits.

I believe that if the Owyhee County Commissioners do not file an appeal for the insurance coverage, they are purposefully doing it to injure Owyhee County and its citizens just to prove their point. I also believe that those who are doing everything they can to be rid of Sheriff Crandall are using the time and money of Owyhee County citizens to further their own personal vendettas and make their personal agendas top priority. They need to put their own personal biases aside and remember and protect those whom they work for ... the citizens.

Joe Gannuscio
Marsing

Paula Ashby played a quiet, vital role in Initiative breakthrough

Mrs. Paula Ashby wrote me one of her very thoughtful letters thanking me for the time I spent on the Owyhee Initiative, and telling me that she and her family were the first ranchers to receive compensation for retired AUMs on their allotment. She thanked me for all my work in

“making this almost impossible task a reality.”

My reply to her was that the “impossible task” was accomplished not because of me or the members of the Work Group but because of people like her — “ranching families who have devoted their lives to bettering the land and to caring for the environment long before it became the politically correct thing to do, but who were willing to go one giant, extra step to bring to a close decades of conflict.”

I write this because I want people to know that Mrs. Ashby made possible an important breakthrough that began to cement the final negotiations of the Initiative. Dr. Chad Gibson, John McCarthy, Craig Gehrke, Grant Simonds and Frank and Cindy Bachman were significantly involved in making the deal with Mrs. Ashby. But, indeed the credit goes to her. I concluded my letter to her as follows:

“I hope you and your family are as proud of your action as I am. You certainly have a right to a feeling of extreme pride. Years from now, some will take the Initiative for granted, some will never know it existed, but those that remember will honor you and your family.”

All of Owyhee County should be proud of this lady and her family.

Fred Kelly Grant
Director, Trademark America Foundation
Former Owyhee Initiative chair
Nampa

Volunteers, senior center thanked for role in dinner

The Grand View Community Dinner was held at Rimrock Senior and Community Center on Thanksgiving Day.

Several volunteers organized the potluck dinner, and we would like to thank those who attended and donated food and/or cash for the event.

A special thanks to those who spent time preparing the food, the senior center for the use of the kitchen and hall, and especially the cleanup crew.

Laura Fredrickson
Grand View

Commentary

Financial management
Keep marriage in perspective when fighting debt

Dear Dave,
When does reaching the point of being debt-free become more important than marriage? We're following your plan and doing the debt snowball, but my husband's been working a second job, and it's really cutting into our together-time at night and straining our relationship. I'm afraid we're going to end up debt-free, but divorced. When does one outweigh the other?

— Tracy

Dear Tracy,
Getting out of debt is never more important than your marriage. But families go through all kinds of stuff, and one of those things is cleaning up messes they've made. It's not always fun, but there's a price to pay if you want to win with your money or anything else.

It sounds to me like your



husband has gone gazelle intense about getting out of debt, and in the process may have left you behind a little bit. I don't recommend that! He probably needs to take some time to come back and emotionally re-connect with you. And I'm sure some good, old-fashioned back rubs and words of encouragement from you are in order. Your man could use them if he's been working two jobs!

But there's plenty of time for snuggling and stuff later. Right now, you're trying to do something — something really important — for the good of

your family. I know it can be difficult, but it won't last forever. And I can promise you this: Once you're done, you'll be very glad you toughed it out!

— Dave

Dear Dave,
I graduated from college in May, and I already have a job in my field. It was a part-time position that went full time, so I already have \$15,000 in an IRA and about \$23,000 in savings. I'm also debt-free, because scholarships paid for my education. Am I ready to buy a house?

— Zack

Dear Zack,
This is an awesome position you're in right now! Financially, you're OK to buy a house. I do have one slight hesitation, though. There are going to be

lots and lots of things happening in your world during the next few years, and there's a possibility you'll end up moving — maybe for a girl, or even another job — during this time period. It's going to be a time of transition, and having a piece of real estate tied around your neck could be a huge pain. But if you're sure that's where you want to be for a while, then it's not such a big deal.

Keep in mind that there's a word for real estate that sells quickly, and that word is cheap! Lots of times, the only way to get out from under something like that fast is to practically give it away. It's a great time now to buy a home, though. It's like they're on sale. Interest rates are really low, too.

Don't use the entire \$23,000 as a down payment on a place, and keep an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses

set aside. Make sure you get a 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage, too. If you play this right, Zack, you're going to be sitting pretty!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is the bestselling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. His new book, *EntreLeadership: 20 Years of Practical Business Wisdom from the Trenches*, is available at retail outlets now. He also is the host of *The Dave Ramsey Show* that airs at 6 p.m. daily on the Fox Business Channel. He also has a radio call-in show. You can find tools to help with finances or previous columns at davesays.org. For more financial advice, visit the Web site or call (888) 22-PEACE. Have a question for Dave? Send correspondence to syndication@daveramsey.com or write Dave Says, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

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✓ Collaboration: Working together can help other ideas

From Page 18

The Owyhee Initiative, started by the Owyhee County Commissioners approximately 10 years ago, utilized a collaborative model to address a variety of challenges in Owyhee County. Those challenges included access issues, land and species conservation, grazing and other matters. What resulted was a landmark legislative compromise, and work continues with the Owyhee Initiative Board of Directors to implement all facets of the agreement. This year, the Boise City Club honored the Owyhee Initiative and the considerable work that went into it with the 2011 Dottie and Ed Stimpson Award for exemplifying the spirit of civil discourse by bringing together people with diverse viewpoints to discuss complex issues in a civil manner, with the intent of finding mutually agreeable solutions.

Work also continues to advance the efforts of the Clearwater Basin Collaborative (CBC), an advisory group I helped establish more than three years ago to find solutions to contentious land management and

wildlife issues in Idaho's Clearwater Basin. The CBC has spawned new discussions of job creation through timber harvesting and landscape improvements, which could benefit habitat for elk, fish and other wildlife.

I am honored to be part of these collaborative processes, through which I have gained a broader understanding of successful collaboration. These lessons and examples are instrumental as we consider the natural resources challenges met and those yet to address. Collaboration can also be helpful in solving a variety of other challenges involving endangered species preservation, water conflicts, land usage and much more.

Working together we can create long-lasting, workable solutions to environmental and public lands management challenges.

— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U.S. Senate. He is in his third six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.

Letters to the editor

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

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

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

December 11, 1986

Superintendent resigns at Marsing

The superintendent of Marsing’s troubled school district submitted his resignation following an executive session of the board of trustees Tuesday night, according to district clerk Kay Parkins.

Superintendent Richard Johnson was out of town and could not be reached for comment.

Parkins said the superintendent submitted his resignation effective June 30, 1987, the end of this fiscal year. He told the board he was doing so in the best interests of the district, the clerk said.

The Marsing school district has been plagued with problems since the passage of \$1.3 million bond for a new high school, only to later learn the district had overspent its income last year by \$146,000, and, in addition, had borrowed another \$90,000 in tax anticipation notes against this year’s revenues.

The clerk said she didn’t know if the board had requested the superintendent to resign, or if he did so on his own. “I’m not sure what went on in the executive session”, she said, “only that he resigned after they (the board) returned to the regular meeting.”

Marsing Seniors elect officers

Marsing Senior Citizens, Inc., held its annual election last week and retuned present officers for another year’s term. Officers to be installed in January, 1987, are Mary Mahler, president; Frances Copley, secretary; Dorothy Dickey, treasurer; Cliff Miller and Frances Dobbin, advisory board; Ruth Bish, new board member.

Awards presented at sports assembly

At a recent fall sports assembly at Homedale High School, several awards were presented for boys’ football and girls’ volleyball.

Volleyball Special Awards
Varsity
Season Finish: 12-5; District Finish: 1st.
Jr. Varsity
Conference record: 7-3; District Finish: 4th
All Star-East/West Team
Kerry Krzesnik, Jette Jensen, Melissa Fountain, Denise Sonke
Volleyball J.V. awards
Best Passer — Dawn Ethington; Best Setter — Tami Wirth; Best Hitter — Barbi Prow; Miss Hustle — Barbi Prow; Most Valuable — Barbi Prow; Most inspirational — Valerie Favinger.
Football Special Awards
Varsity
Record: 11-0; Undefeated State A-3 champions.
Jr. Varsity
Season Record: 6-1
1st team offence WIC: Joe Egurrola — Tackle; John Lowder — Tackle; Harry Almazon — Guard; Justin Davenport — Center; Steve Purdom — Running Back; Rob Cook — Quarterback; 1st team defense WIC: Joe Egurrola — Tackle; John Lowder — Tackle; Justin Davenport — End; Steve Purdom — Linebacker; Ted Aspiazu — Defensive Back; Ryan Nash — Defensive back; Honorable Mention Offense: Ryan Nash — Running Back.
Football Awards
Offensive Back — Ryan Nash; Offensive Lineman — Joe Egurrola; Defensive Back — Ted Aspiazu; Defensive Lineman — John Lowder; Most Inspirational — Justin Davenport; Most Valuable — Steve Purdom;
Western Idaho Conference Scholar Athlete Awards
Jamey Egurrola, 3.50; Charlie Garrison, 3.40; Bob Pottenger, 4.00; Bill Reynolds, 4.00; Noel Baily, 3.71; David Carson, 3.33; Tim Coleman, 3.60; Ron Hooker, 3.83; John Hyde, 3.33; Kelly Itano, 4.00; Mike Mansisidor, 3.85; Shawn Sheldon, 3.66; Mike Stowell, 3.71; Scott Taggart, 3.85; John Lowder, 3.25.
Academic Volleyball Players
Bobbi Frank, 3.83; Michelle Tarr, 3.80.

50 years ago

December 14, 1961

Fire levels L.D.S. church Saturday

Smoldering debris is all that remains of the Homedale L.D.S. church located on Owyhee Avenue and 2nd Street East, after a fire that began Saturday night caused approximately \$150,000 damage.

The blaze, which may have resulted from faulty wiring, apparently burned for sometime before it was discovered and reported to firemen about 8 p.m. Flames were first seen in the attic above the classroom section of the building and rapidly spread throughout the church.

The church organ, four pianos, benches, desk, files and most of the church records were saved according to Bishop Howard Bergeson.

The Homedale firemen, who received assistance from the Wilder fire department until the blaze was under control, stayed at the scene throughout the night and have been called back to the church numerous times to wash down the still-smoking ruins.

At one time seven hoses were fighting the fire and at various times hose valued at over \$6,000 was used, according to Fire Chief John Matteson.

The Catholic rectory next door and two homes, owned by Wesley Myers and Albert Cole, located just behind the church on 2nd Street East, were threatened by the flames and damaged slightly by smoke and heat. The owners poured water on them for protection.

Members of the Donnelly-McCall wrestling team en route home from a match at Adrian and members of Don Roby’s orchestra who played for a dance in Homedale that night, assisted local people in evacuating the two homes and removing the furnishings.

Santa to arrive by plane in Homedale Saturday

Santa Claus has sent word from the North Pole that he will arrive in Homedale by airplane Saturday. He will be escorted around town on the city fire truck.

He will distribute candy and treats to children at 1:30 o’clock on Main Street just off Idaho Avenue, according to Les Carter, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce committee arranging Santa’s visit.

Mr. Carter and committee members Paul Zatica and Ed Manning reported at the regular luncheon meeting of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce Tuesday that 500 bags of candy are being sacked by home ec girls for the event.

Three directors were presented by the nominating committee and unanimously elected, including Harper Saunders, Homer Anderson, and Les Carter.

The Chamber heard a discussion on possible bridge sites and highway 95 routes and voted to support location of a new bridge just south of the present bridge, with a resolution to be drawn for presentation at the Highway 95 Association meeting to be held here Friday night at El Gavilan.

A highway committee, composed of Everett Colley, Spud Murphy, Orville Soper and Norman Tolmie, and assisted by other Chamber members surveyed possible bridge sites on a tour last week, and concluded that a new bridge near the present bridge would most nearly serve the needs of Homedale people as well as tourists traveling on highways U. S. 95 and State 19 and farmers of the area.

Cambridge five defeats Marsing

Floyd McCadden scored a basket with 30 seconds to go Friday night and Cambridge eked out a victory over Marsing, 36-34.

Mike Bishop was high-point man with 15 counters and paced the Cambridge quintet to its victory.

Cambridge: McCadden 5, Andrews 8, Horn 2, Bishop 15, Wilkerson 3, and Mink 3. Marsing: Percifield 6, Pasco 4, Kirk 7, Gaviola 2, Tullis 7 and Ganey 8.

Nevada team beats Bruneau

The Owyhee, Nev., basketball squad, defending state co-champion, opened its 1961-62 season at Bruneau Friday with an impressive 62-35 over Bruneau.

140 years ago

December 9, 1871

THE GENT. One of the most vulgar errors of the day, and one which is silly and meaningless, except a meaning that is perverted in the extreme from its intended significance, is the substitution of “gent” for “gentleman.” The word gentleman occurs 452 times in Shakespeare; gent is not to be found there at all. With all his wealth of imagination, the great dramatist never conceived a gent. As the thing was beyond the sphere of his observation, the idea transcended the limits of his fancy. He could not look into the future far enough to see “the coming man,” and if he could, would have closed his eyes to the saddened spectacle, instead of serving up the gent with the Calibans and Touchstones, the misshapen monsters and the sportive fools of his pictured pages. “Gent” is a contraction of “gentleman” in more senses than one — a dressy, showy, foppish man, with a little mind, who vulgarizes the prevailing fashion. A gentleman and a gent are very easily distinguishable to-day.

PERSONALS- FROM ELKO (NEV.). J. F. Dye, of Mountain City, whose settlement of the Pacific coast antedates old ‘49-ers 20 years, passed through Elko on Thursday last for San Francisco where he will spend a few weeks with his children, after which he contemplates a visit to Texas with a view of driving a band of cattle to Nevada. Mr. Dye is an old pioneer on this coast, and although aged 65 years, still has the vim and enterprise of one in the prime of life.

Dr. M. V. Hudson, well known to the citizens of Elko County, died recently at Mountain City, after a short illness. He was a candidate on the Republican ticket at the last election; was a prominent citizen of the county, and a more genial, wholesouled gentleman could not be found in Nevada. His death, so sudden and unexpected, is mourned by a host of friends and acquaintances. He was buried at Mountain City.

Russ Carter has been lying dangerously ill at the Cosmopolitan Hotel for the past week. He is convalescent; however, and will be about again in a few days.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN CORRESPONDENCE. The weather is fine here at present, with about five inches of snow on average. Our town continues to improve. Mr. P Donnelly is erecting a nice hewn log house in town and another on his ranch about half a mile below. Mr. Nutter, the expressman, is also engaged in building, and all the people in camp are busy developing their claims or building houses. The mines at present being worked are: Golconda, Bay State, Miami, Yreka, Yellow Jacket, St. Croix, Mammoth, Republic, Scandia, and the Monitor, all of which look well. In the last mentioned, Col. Owens is swinging his pick as lively as any of the boys. Blasting is continually heard in various places, and I anticipate we will hear the sound of steam whistles before the first day of August 1872; for the ore is here, and will be taken out and converted into bullion. If the English capitalists don’t take hold, American capitalists certainly will, because there is a mountain of rich ore here that cannot long remain undeveloped in this age of enterprise and progress. We have everything convenient here for working the mines — wood and water in abundance, and rock that will do for the lining of furnaces for smelting or otherwise. Up to this time there have been 250 locations made, with a fair prospect of several more in a few days. Various assays have been made by different parties and they find the ores to run from \$40 to \$400 per ton in silver. Miners from Eureka, Nevada say that the South Mountain ores are equally as good as there (in Eureka), besides possessing the advantages of wood and water. Col. Owens has contracted with parties here to furnish him with a number of tons of ore to ship to San Francisco and the hauling will commence about the 5th inst. A portion of the ore contracted for is now ready on the dump. In conclusion, I would say to prospectors not to come here with the intention of prospecting before the May next.

Public notices

SYNOPSIS OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES NOVEMBER 21, 2011

Approved payment of bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$37,091, Road & Bridge \$12,976, District Court \$6,348, Fair \$1,000, Probation \$918, Museum \$404, Indigent & Charity \$750, Revaluation \$950, Solid Waste \$8,587, Weed \$374, 911 \$2,334, County Vessel \$8.

Approved a certificate of residency for college tuition assistance. Letter sent to out of county resident on waste disposal. Approved Cooperative Weed Management Agreement with Eastern Owyhee. Approved sending a letter to City of GrandView on bridge walkway improvement. Co-Ordination meeting with Boise District BLM. The complete minutes can be viewed on owyheecounty.net, or in the clerk's office.

12/7/11

LIEN SALE

Notice of lien sale for rent and other charges. Unit B-30, Mike Dockins, 3045 Star City Ave, Winnemucca, NV 89445. Contents of unit includes 2 chairs, couch, TV with remote and other misc. items. Sealed bids will be accepted on 12/10/2011 from 9am until 1pm at Hwy 95 Storage, located at 3685 Hwy 95, Homedale, ID 83628.

11/30;12/7/11

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT DUE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ACCORDING TO SECTION 43-707, IDAHO CODE, assessments for the Grand View Irrigation District 2011, Irrigation season are due and payable and will become delinquent at five o'clock p.m. on the twenty day of December 2011. Payments must be made in lawful money of the United States, negotiable bank draft or cashier's check. Payment may be made in person at the Irrigation District Office or mailed to the District.

Dixie McDaniel, Secretary, PO Box 9, Grand View, ID 83624

12/7,14/11

NOTICE

The Idaho Unclaimed Property Program posts an updated list of Idaho Unclaimed Property owners on the internet once each month. This online list can be viewed at sto.idaho.gov (click on "Unclaimed Property"). Anyone without Internet access can view the list on computers at most public libraries. Unclaimed Property consists of abandoned bank accounts, forgotten refund checks, utility deposits, gift certificates, and more.

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The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the latest publication of the state Administrative Bulletin.

IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036

16-0309-1101, Medicaid Basic Plan Benefit. (Temporary & Proposed) Provides for the

administration and policies for reimbursing pharmacies for the estimated acquisition cost and a dispensing fee; establishes the structure for dispensing fees based on a tiered structure; removes obsolete language. Comment by: 12/28/11.

Please refer to the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **December 7, 2011, Volume 11-12**, for notices and text of all rulemakings, public hearings and negotiated meeting schedules, Governor's executive orders, and agency contact information.

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Office of the Administrative Rules Coordinator, Dept. of Administration, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0306
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NOTICE OF HEARING CASE NO. CV2011-2294 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

In the Matter of the Estate of SHIRLEY JEAN LOPEZ, Deceased.

YOU ARE HEREBY GIVEN NOTICE That EUGENE LOPEZ, the surviving spouse of the above-named Decedent, by and through Larry C. Ashcraft of the firm of Ashcraft and Miller, PLLC, his attorneys of record, has filed a PETITION FOR SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE in the above-entitled Court, pursuant to Idaho Code 15-3-1205.

YOU ARE FURTHER GIVEN NOTICE that said surviving spouse will call up for hearing at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho, on the 25th day of January, 2012, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m., or as soon thereafter as the same may be heard, his request for entry by the Court of a DECREE VESTING ESTATE IN SURVIVING SPOUSE.

DATED This 28 day of November, 2011.

ASHCRAFT AND MILLER, PLLC, Attorneys for the Surviving Spouse

By /s/ Larry C. Ashcraft, A Member of the Firm, PO Box 506, Mtn. Home, ID 83647, 208-587-9797 Fax 208-587-7005

12/7,14,21/11

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-OC-109974 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER TITLE OF ADA COUNTY DBA PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on March 2, 2012, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, ON THE STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, CORNER OF STATE HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, 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 parcel of land located in the North half of Section One, Township Six

South, Range Seven East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, bounded and described as follows: COMMENCING at the East Quarter corner of Section One, Township Six South, Range Seven East, Boise Meridian, and running thence North 0 degrees 00' 00" East 599.09 feet along the East line of said Section One; thence South 79 degrees 41' 17" West, 1,352.65 feet to a State Highway right-of-way monument on the North side of State Highway 78, being a brass cap set in concrete marked P.O.C. Station 534+82.6, which point is the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING for this description; thence continuing from the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING, South 79 degrees 41' 17" West 155.01 feet along the North right-of-way line for State Highway 78; thence North 1 degrees 55' 30" East 677.02 feet; thence North 87 degrees 11' 52" West 92.47 feet; thence North 6 degrees 35' 43" East, 115.38 feet; thence North 78 degrees 50' 14" East 206.06 feet; thence South 0 degrees 28' 31" East 807.95 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of. compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 52612 STATE HIGHWAY 78 , HAMMETT, ID 83627, 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 MARY ALYCE WILSON, UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF CANYON COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of NEW CENTURY MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as Beneficiary, dated 5/17/2006, recorded 5/23/2006, under Instrument No. 256508, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of September 1, 2006 MASTR Asset-Backed Securities Trust 2006-NC2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-NC2. 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 5/17/2006, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 3/1/2011

AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of October 28, 2011 Delinquent Payments from March 01, 2011 8 payments at \$ 1,614.10 each \$ 12,912.80 (03-01-11 through 10-28-11) Late Charges: \$ 366.80 Beneficiary Advances: \$ 1,060.56 Suspense Credit: \$ 0.00 TOTAL: \$ 14,340.16 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 \$176,896.72, together with interest thereon at 8.900% per annum from 2/1/2011, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 10/28/2011 PIONEER TITLE OF ADA COUNTY DBA PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, Trustee By Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: <http://www.rtrustee.com> ASAP# 4128786
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**NOTICE OF SALE
CASE NO. CV-11-01916M
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF OWYHEE**

BLACKBURNE & SONS REALTY CAPITAL CORPORATION, a California corporation; **BLACKBURNE & BROWN MORTGAGE FUND I**, a California limited partnership; **BLACKBURNE & BROWN MORTGAGE FUND II, L.P.**, a California limited partnership; **WILLIAM L. CHOY** and **YIM L. CHOY**, as Trustees of The Choy Family Trust; **JERRY E. DOCKTOR**, as Trustee of The Jerry E. Cocktor Living trust; **THOMAS S. JEW** and **JOAN M. ALIPRAND**, as Trustee of The Jew-Aliprand Family 1979 Trust; **KERRY C. SCOTT** and **ANNE L. SCOTT**, husband and wife; **RONALD J. SMITH**, as Trustee for Ronald J. Smith 2003 Revocable Trust; **MATTHEW S. LANDERS**, as Trustee of The Matthew S. Landers Living Trust dated July 15, 2008; **MARK A. SINGLETON, M.D.**, as Trustee of The Singleton and Moore Medical Corp. Pension Plan; **GREG A. LOITZ**, as Trustee of The Greg A. Loitz, DDS, MD, Inc. Pension and Profit Sharing Plan; **BANK OF THE WEST**, as Trustee of The Robert W. Johnson IRA; **CHARLES E. MILLSAP** and **TELA D. MILLSAP**, as Trustees of The Charles E. Millsap and Tela D. Millsap Living Trust dated November 18, 1988; **RONALD D. DAVISON** and **JANET G. DAVISON**, husband and wife; **ANDREW GARCIA**; and **ALLEN M. KROHN**, Plaintiffs, Vs.

JOHN and **LORNA STEINER**, husband and wife; and **HART CREEK RANCH, LLC**, an Idaho limited liability company, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of the Writ of Execution executed out of the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Owyhee, Case No. CV-11-01916M, on the 31st day of October, 2011;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on Thursday, the 12th day of January, 2012 at the hour of 1:30 o'clock p.m., at the

Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, I will sell all the right, title and interest of Hart Creek Ranch, LLC in and to the below-described real property located in Owyhee County, Idaho at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in currency of the United States payable at time of sale:

Parcel 1: Lots 3 through 10 in Block 5 and Lots 5 through 8 in Black 6 or Oreana Subdivision, according to the official plat filed as Instrument No. 165543, Official Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

Parcel 2: Lots 1 through 4 in Block 6 of Oreana Subdivision, according to the official plat filed as Instrument No. 165543, Official Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

Parcel 3: Lot 1 and 2 in Block 5 of Oreana Subdivision, according to the official plat filed as Instrument No. 165543, Official Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

Parcel 4: Lot 1 through 4 in Block 7 and Lots 1 through 4 in Block 8 of Oreana Subdivision, according to the official plat filed at Instrument No. 165543, Official Records of the Owyhee County, Idaho.

Parcel 5: Lots 5 through 8 in Block 7 and Lots 5 through 9 in Block 8 of Oreana Subdivision, according to the official plat filed as Instrument No. 165543, Official Records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

The sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation of Hart Creek Ranch, LLC pursuant to that certain *Judgment, Order of Sale and Decree of Foreclosure* entered on October 21, 2011 in the above-referenced matter (the "*Judgment*"), whereby Defendant Hart Creek Ranch, LLC is indebted to Plaintiffs in the amount of \$821,296.01, plus interest.

All real property sold at the sale shall be subject to a redemption period of up to one (1) year as set forth in Idaho Code §11-401, et seq. Therefore, Hart Creek Ranch, LLC, as redemptioner, as that term is defined in Idaho Code §11-401(2), may redeem the property from the purchaser within one (1) year after the sale if the property sold consists of more than twenty acres, or within six (6) months,

if the property sold consists of a tract of land of 20 acres or less, upon paying the purchaser the sum of: (x) the amount of his purchase, with interest on that amount at the rate allowed by Idaho Code §28-22-401(1) of the from the date of sale to the date of redemption; and (y) the amount of any assessment or taxes which the purchaser may have paid after the commencement of the action and which are not included in the *Judgment* with interest such amount(s) at the rate allowed by Idaho Code §28-22-401(1).

In the event the purchaser is also a creditor having prior lien to that of the redemptioner, other than the Judgment, the purchaser will also be entitled to payment of that amount of such lien, with interest at the rate allowed in Idaho Code §28-22-104(1).

The Sheriff, by Certificate of Sale, will transfer all right, title, and interest of the judgment debtor in and to the property at the time of execution or attachment was levied. The Sheriff will give possession but does not guarantee clear title nor continued possessory right to the purchaser.

DATED this 14th day of November, 2011.

/s/ DARYL CRANDALL,
Sheriff of Owyhee County
POLICY OF NON-DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY. THE OWYHEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY IN THE ADMISSION OF OR ACCESS TO, OR PARTICIPATION IN ITS PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES. REQUESTS FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION MUST BE MADE NO LESS THAN 48 HOURS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED SALE. REQUEST FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE OWYHEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE 20381 STATE HWY 78 MURPHY IDAHO 83650 208-495-1154

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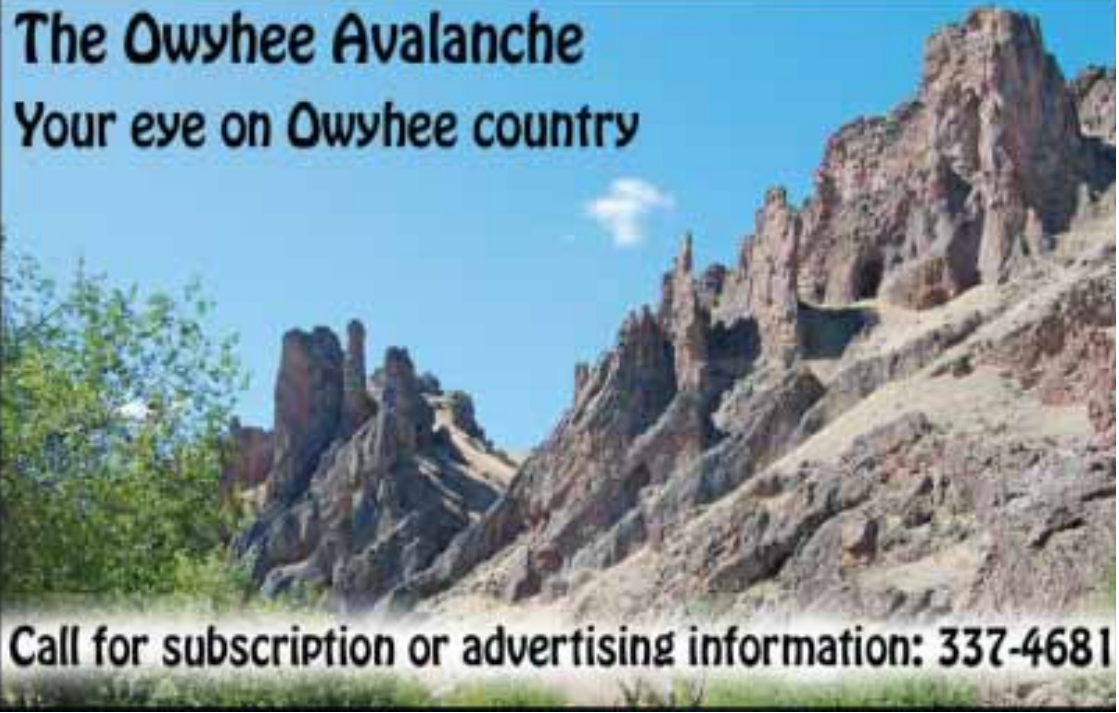
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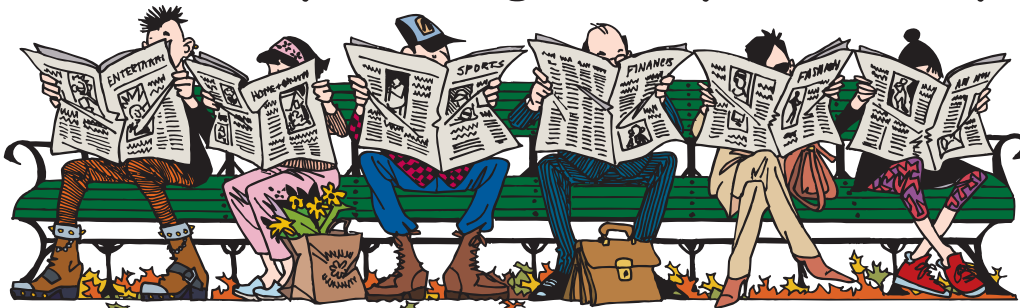
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