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Marsing trustees approve four-day school week

Schedule will be determined next month

Last week, the five-person Marsing School District board of trustees unanimously approved moving to a four-

day school week for the 2012-13 school year.

Leading up to the Jan. 10 vote, board chair Joe Usabel and vice-chair Clay Sauer, said the decision made wasn't any easy move, but it was the direction the district needed to go.

"There are growing pains with this process. We might not figure out everything the first year, but we will work to figure it out and improve each year," Usabel said. "We didn't want to force this on anyone, but if we had waited this might have been a different discussion.

"We are going to do this, and if it doesn't work there is nothing saying we can't go back. We could be the exception, but statewide there has only be one or two schools that have gone back after going to

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Snow doesn't slow playground prep



Workers complete installation at Marsing park

A crew from Nampa's Haemker General Contracting installed new playground equipment at Marsing's City Park during the Jan. 10 snow flurries. The new equipment was paid for in part by a \$4,000 Caldwell Community Foundation grant that the city had received. The project was completed in two days and the equipment is ready for children to enjoy.

Murphy set to be Capital for a Day

Murphy will serve as Capital for a Day later this month when Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter and members of his administration visit the Owyhee County seat.

The Capital for a Day program has been a staple during Otter's time in office. A different rural town is selected each month, and Otter and cabinet members make a daylong trip to hear from citizens and local officials on various topics.

Murphy's Capital for a Day will take place on Friday, Jan. 27. The event will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. inside McKeeth Hall at the Owyhee County Historical Museum, museum director Joe Demshar said last week.

There is an hourlong break for lunch.

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Three-vehicle accident on I-84 claims MHS grad

Services planned for 1 p.m. Friday

The 2011 Marsing High School salutatorian died in a three-vehicle

accident on Interstate 84 on Saturday night near Mountain Home.

Taylor Sauer was 18 years old.

School officials have arranged counseling for fellow classmates.

A memorial is planned for the high

school gymnasium later this week.

Sauer graduated last May shortly before helping the Huskies softball team earn their first state championship in nearly 46 years.

The daughter of Clay and Shauna

Sauer was involved in numerous school- and non-school-sponsored activities. She was highly involved in FFA and was part of the Marsing's

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Taylor Sauer

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Homedale City Council

Fink hits ground running to start sixth term



Changing of the guard
Top: Homedale City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram administers the oath of office to City Councilman Steve Atkins, center, and Mayor Paul Fink during Wednesday’s meeting. *Above:* Council president Dave Downum presented plaques of appreciation to City Councilman Eino Hendrickson, left, and Mayor Harold Wilson upon the completion of their four-year terms.



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Council approves
five-year lease
for Sundance

Mayor Paul Fink wasted little time putting his stamp on City of Homedale affairs during the first City Council meeting of his sixth term Wednesday.

After taking the oath of office with new city councilman Steve Atkins, Fink asked Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller to provide more police presence at the town’s schools and announced his desire that developers be required to build sidewalks with all new residential and commercial construction.

“We need to patrol around the schools during school hours,” Fink said after Eidemiller delivered his departmental report. “I want to make sure our presence is made and seen while they’re in school.”

Fink also said he wanted each police officer to log each of their out-of-town calls, saying that he and the council will review the amount of time officers spend outside the city limits after 30 days.

Homedale officers began tighter patrols in the morning around the schools Thursday.

After Planning and Zoning administrator Sylvia Bahem gave her departmental update, Fink voiced his displeasure that some recent development didn’t include sidewalks and other infrastructure upgrades.

“I think it’s a mistake with no sidewalks, curbs and gutters on new residential and commercial buildings,” he said.

There is no ordinance specifically mandating new sidewalks be installed with new construction. Ordinance 181, which was passed in 1975,

recognized the necessity to build sidewalks in town. Section 2, however, says only that property owners must build or repair sidewalks upon notification from the city superintendent and doesn’t specify if the notice comes with new construction or when repairs are made to existing buildings.

In recent years, developers installed sidewalks with the construction of the AutoZone store on South Main Street and commercial development on East Idaho Avenue. No sidewalks were built with the construction of the roping arena on U.S. Highway 95, however.

HYS lease approved

With Fink praising Homedale Youth Sports Inc. officials for their stewardship of the city’s largest open space, the council agreed to the organization’s five-year lease of Sundance Park.

The lease was OK’d 3-0. Councilman Aaron Tines, who won his second four-year term in November, was absent because he was attending death investigator training in St. Louis.

“I think they’ve done a real good job,” Fink said before the vote. “I’d like to see the lease signed. I think they’ve done an excellent job, and they’ve been commended on it.”

Fink did point out that an agreement would have to be struck for the non-profit organization to pay for the water used to wet down infields because the city’s domestic water bond requires that all usage is paid for.

Downum elected president again

Dave Downum will continue as council president after a 3-0 vote initiated by Atkins’ first action as a councilman.

— JPB

Owyhee
FSA office
may close

Comment taken
Feb. 6 at meetings
in Grand View,
Marsing

The Owyhee County Farm Service Agency office could close if a U.S. Department of Agriculture proposal gets the green light.

The county’s FSA office is located inside the USDA Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., in Marsing.

Public meetings are scheduled next month to receive public comment on the proposal.

The office is targeted in a plan to consolidate 259 USDA offices, facilities and labs nationwide. The closures would take affect later this year.

Under the plan, the Owyhee County office will consolidate with the Canyon County office in Caldwell.

A press release announcing the public comment opportunity didn’t disclose where Owyhee producers would have to go for FSA services if the county office closed. There are FSA offices in Caldwell, Boise, Mountain Home and Twin Falls.

People who may be affected by the proposed consolidation can submit comment during two public meetings scheduled for Monday, Feb. 6. According to an USDA FSA press release, this will be the only public meetings held on the proposal.

The first meeting will begin at 9 a.m. at American Legion Post 134 at 410 Roosevelt Ave., in Grand View. A second meeting will start at 2 p.m. at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

Producers can also provide written comment by emailing theresa.pobst-martin@id.usda.gov or sending written comment to Idaho Farm Service Agency, Attn: Terry Pobst-Martin, 9173 West Barnes Drive, Boise, ID 83709.

Feb. 16 is the public comment deadline.

For more information, contact the Idaho Farm Service Agency at (208) 378-5650.

Four FSA county offices throughout Idaho are targeted, including the Payette County FSA, which would be folded into the Weiser office that serves Washington and Adams counties. Other offices in Lincoln and Clearwater counties are slated for closure.

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Trucks weigh heavy on road managers' minds

Highway commissioners face money, enforcement difficulties

It's a problem throughout Owyhee County, but highway commissioners say there is little they can do to prevent road damage caused by trucks carrying heavy loads.

"It's been brewing ever since they put in the dairies. That's when it started," Homedale Highway Subdistrict 1 Commissioner and board chair Larry Prow said.

"We have more traffic (and) bigger, heavier loads than what the roads were built for."

Homedale Highway District commissioners said financial constraints and a lack of enforcement make it difficult to mitigate the issue, which has become prevalent in the past decade or so.

Gem Highway Subdistrict 1 Commissioner Jay Hall, who is also chairman of the board, said roads in Marsing suffer the same fate. He's also heard of similar problems on roads in the county districts in the Mud Flat area and in the Bruneau-Grand View region.

In the Homedale district, trucks carrying gravel and cement or hauling waste and feed to and from dairies and other cattle operations in the Marsing and Homedale area and from some locations over the Idaho-Oregon line are the biggest culprits in the cases of broken and potholed asphalt on roads such as Johnstone Road, Nielsen Lane, Graveyard Point Road and Cemetery Road.

Comprehensive road repairs would be costly because of the rising cost of materials, specifically the oil used in asphalt. Homedale Subdistrict 2 Commissioner John Demshar said two-inch overlay runs about \$32,000 per mile, and chip sealing costs have skyrocketed from \$10,000 to \$18,500 per mile in the past few years.

The district soon will solicit bids to fix Thompson Road from Jump Creek Road to the Gem Highway District boundary. Cost for the half-mile-long project will be covered by a Local Highway Technical Assistance Council grant weighing in at just less than \$100,000.

Homedale district road crews were scheduled to fill holes on Nielsen Lane beginning this week. A similar patch job was carried out last year.

Homedale commissioners took a tour of the district's 92 miles of roads Monday in an attempt to prioritize the work list.

"We're trying to be proactive. Money is the main issue," Homedale Subdistrict 3 Commissioner Scott Salutregui said. "We're trying to do what's best for the taxpayers."

The Homedale district also plans to deploy traffic counters on loan from the Idaho Transportation Department to analyze traffic volume and vehicle weight on the roads.

The district did a similar study

four years ago.

"If we get out the counters again, we'll see how much traffic has increased and how the traffic patterns have changed," Prow said.

Gem commissioners spent \$30,000 last year to repair damage to Poison Creek Road from dairy trucks hauling manure to leased ground. Hall said the effectiveness of the repairs won't be known until spring when the trucks begin running again. But the problem may go away because the field's owner apparently pulled the lease after the highway district approached him about the damage.

State law allows highway districts to take outfits that damage roadways to court to recoup the costs of the repairs. Although Homedale commissioners haven't done that yet, they said that one farming operation paid to repair Thompson Road when a piece of equipment gouged the road surface after a trailer tire blowout.

Talking to the producers whose trucks are at the root of the matter worked briefly for Gem District.

"We went to some of the ones causing the problems to see if they could load the loads a little lighter, and that worked for a while," Hall said. "But they went right back (to heavier loads) after a while."

Buntrock, Thompson and South Edison are other Gem district roads plagued by breakups and potholes.

Gem commissioners lowered the speed limit from 50 mph to 35 mph on Poison Creek when the pavement began crumbling under the strain of trucks that were using the shoulder more than the middle of the road.

Homedale commissioners



A vehicle on Monday morning navigates numerous potholes caused by heavy trucks that travel on Nielsen Lane south of Graveyard Point Road.

haven't tried regulating speeds, and neither district has set weight limits on the roads.

"We could establish weight limits, but we have no way of enforcing it," Prow said.

Enforcement falls to the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office. Sheriff's deputies previously conducted saturation patrols in trouble spots in both districts.

Salutregui said the OCSO patrol on Cemetery Road and Thompson Road focused on trucks running stop signs.

But his commission colleagues

agree that without a set of scales, enforcing weight limits will be impossible.

Prow said the Idaho Transportation Department won't weigh trucks on district roads. Hall said ITD occasionally puts a scale at the junction of U.S. Highway 95 and Idaho highway 55 near where trucks turn to head

down Poison Creek Road.

The other problem with deploying scales: Truck drivers know alternate routes.

"The first time they see the scales there, they'll go down a mile and cross the road somewhere else," Prow said. "And they have radios (to contact other haulers)."

— JPB



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District exploratory panel mulls Homedale Friends of Library

Library announces change in hours

The formation of a Friends of the Homedale Public Library organization is the main topic of discussion at the library district exploratory committee meeting

each month. For more information, call the library at 337-4228 between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

The library has announced plans to change its hours for Thursdays and Mondays beginning next week.

The library will be open from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. each Monday, and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. each Thursday. Currently, the library is open until 8 p.m. on Thursdays.

With the schedule change, the library will be open from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Corrections

Idaho highway 78 road projects, including the construction of a bridge over Scorpion Creek, will take place during fiscal year 2013. Articles published recently in The Owyhee Avalanche relied on incorrect information provided by the Idaho Transportation Department.

Murphy resident Karen Steenhof is a longtime member of the Raptor Research Foundation, but she is not the organization's president as was reported last week using information taken from the Bureau of Land Management's Boise District Resource Advisory Council website.

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✓ Marsing: Trustees rely on survey to gauge acceptance

the four-day school week.”

The decision to proceed with the four-day school week was not completely fiscally based, but money did play a factor, Usabel said. With the current state of funding cuts for schools, Usabel said if the district hadn’t started the process now, next year would have been a different chain of events.

“We didn’t want to have a knee-jerk reaction like some of the other districts that have gone this way,” Sauer said. “We wanted the staff along with the parents to have as much time to adjust and be prepared for the changes next year.”

From the first public meeting the district held in November up until the most recent one in December, the district pursued gauging the staff and patrons on where they stood on the four-day school week with an informal survey. The survey was tallied by Superintendent Tracia Craig and offered in both Spanish and English for the patrons of the district.

While Usabel admits the involvement in the survey was somewhat lacking, school officials received enough feedback to move forward with their decision based on three specific questions.

The board felt there were three questions from both the staff and patron surveys to help with their decision, Usabel said. The No. 1 question the board wanted to know was did parents and staff feel the district should pursue the four-day school week.

Although being worded differently, question No. 14 on the staff survey and No. 13 — which was labeled 14 — from the patron survey, asked: “On the basis of my personal preference, I believe the district should consider going to a four-day school week schedule.”

Of the 103 certified and classified staff — excluding

substitutes — 71 returned surveys. From the survey, 43 employees either strongly agreed or agreed the district should consider going to a four-day school week. There were 10 who disagreed and four that strongly disagreed. Fourteen people had no opinion.

From the patron survey, 207 responded. There were 95 who agreed or strongly agreed the district should pursue the new schedule.

From the survey, 69 people — 29 disagree, 40 strongly disagree — indicated their personal preference for the district to not consider the change. There were 25 people who marked no opinion.

A parent — who wished not to be named — was concerned about the openness about the process from the district in moving forward with the new schedule.

“My thoughts aren’t going to be taken into consideration. Why put my two-cents in?”

Other parents have raised the same feelings.

According to district personnel, they have received at least four anonymous phone calls from parents stating they were going to enroll their students elsewhere for the next school year. Similar comments can also be found on the returned surveys.

“We have to work together on this. Anything is possible when everyone works together. Everyone has to try and support this and work together,” Sauer said.

“This is for the kids. This community is wonderful about rallying together. We can’t let the four-day school week split that apart.”

Repeated attempts by The Owyhee Avalanche to contact Craig following last week’s meeting for comment on the four-day school week were unsuccessful.

— JLZ

Current Five Day Week – 1079 Hours (990 instructional hours for grades 9-12 required by law)						
# of Weeks	# of Days*	Student Seat Time Hours and Minutes	Students' Daily Schedule **	Length of Semester Class	Teachers' Contract Day	
37	169	6 hours and 23 minutes	7:50-3:01	55 approx. minutes	7:20-3:16	
*This represents a schedule for grades 9-12. The grades K-8 schedule is modified to meet instructional hours required by law and to allow recess for lower grades. **Includes 15 minutes for passing time and 30 minutes for lunch.						
Proposed Four Day Week – 1080 Hours (Hours can be adjusted up or down depending on the needs of the district.)						
# of Weeks	# of Days*	Student Seat Time Hours and Minutes	Students' Daily Schedule **	Length of each Semester Class x 7	Teachers' Contract Days	School Year
35	140	7 Hours and 43 minutes	7:50-4:18	66 approx. minutes	7:20-4:33	Aug. 15 – May 9
36	144	7 hours and 30 minutes	7:50-4:05	64 approx. minutes	7:20-4:20	Aug. 15 – May 16
37	148	7 hours and 18 minutes	7:50-3:53	62.5 approx. minutes	7:20-4:08	Aug. 15 – May 23
38	152	7 hours and 6 minutes	7:50-3:41	61 approx. minutes	7:20-3:56	Aug. 15 – May 31
39	156	6 Hours and 55 minutes	7:50-3:30	59 approx. minutes	7:20-3:45	Aug. 15 – June 6
*This represents a schedule for grades 9-12. The grades K-8 schedule is modified to meet instructional hours required by law and to allow recess for lower grades. **Includes 15 minutes for passing time and 30 minutes for lunch.						

Next up: Choosing right 4-day model

With the decision already made to transition into a four-day school week for next school year, administrators and staff of the Marsing School District will begin looking at the scheduling options.

During the Jan. 10 meeting, the school board made no decisions as to what schedule option to choose for the upcoming year. The board will take recommendations generated from the building administrators along with staff for their decisions.

For those employees and patrons who took part in the survey process, the 37-week schedule was the overwhelming choice. The 37-week option would have students in all grades in class for seven hours and 18 minutes. The school year would be begin on Aug. 15 and run through May 23.

Students would begin the day at 7:50 a.m. and end at 3:53 p.m. The contracted hours for staff would start at 7:20 a.m. and their day would end at 4:08 p.m.

“The schedule we choose will be based heavily on administrators and the teachers working together over the next month,” school board chairman Joe Usabel said. “They will work together to submit the options that work the best and allow the students the best option. I do believe the school year should end

before the State tournaments in the spring, so we will have to work with that.”

Despite many of the rumors circulating throughout the staff and other school districts, the board made no decision as to what schedule to choose. On Friday, an email was sent out to the staff “To dispel any rumors, gossip and speculation” about the schedule for next year.

The email stated: “No decision was made regarding which 4 days of the week, start of day, length of school day, start of school year school calendar or end of school year. These decisions will be made by the Board at a later date.” Staff were instructed to email or call Superintendent Tracia Craig with any questions or concerns.

At the school board’s January meeting, middle school principal Paul Webster suggested polling students and parents again to determine what schedule would be most appealing. The board left the decision up to the administrators and Craig to develop suggestions for the board to choose from and whether or not to include parent and student input.

The board will meet on Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. in the District Office Board Room, located at 209 8th Ave. W, (Hwy 78), in Marsing.

✓ Murphy: 2nd Owyhee town for honor

The event was discussed during Tuesday’s Board of County Commissioners meeting.

Capital for a Day is a town hall-type event, according to the governor’s website.

According to the Capital for a Day page on the governor’s website, officials typically receive advance notice on the topics on the minds of local residents, allowing representatives from the state agencies that handle the specific issue to attend and work

on a solution.

Murphy will be the second Owyhee County town to serve as Capital for a Day during Otter’s time in office. Homedale received that honor in the September 2008.

✓ Grad: Highly involved 2011 salutatorian was freshman at Utah State

FFA national competition communications team and won numerous awards for her participation in the organization.

“Taylor always had a smile and brought in a positive influence,” FFA advisor Mike Martin said. “She was polite and nice to everyone. Taylor was a role model to a lot of kids. She didn’t care who you were, she made an effort to be friends with everyone she met.

“She will be missed tremendously by her friends and everyone she came in contact with.”

According to Marsing High School principal Wade Pilloud, counselor John Cossel is available to speak with students throughout

Memorial services Friday 10 a.m. to noon — Viewing, Marsing LDS Church, 215 W. 3rd Ave.

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. — Memorial service, MHS gymnasium, 800 W. Main St. Doors open at noon.

the week.

“Mr. Cossel will be available to the students, and the staff will also be available,” Pilloud said. “It is a huge loss for the school. Taylor still had many, many friends in the school. We are waiting to see what the needs of the students are. If we feel we need more support, we will have other counselors available.”

A memorial service will be held

at 1 p.m. Friday at the Marsing High School gym. A viewing will be held from 10 a.m. to noon at LDS Church, 215 W. 3rd Ave.

Marsing school board chairman Joe Usabel said the high school students would be released early for those who wish to attend.

Following her graduation, Sauer enrolled at Utah State University in Logan, Utah to study Elementary Education with plans of becoming a teacher.

As a senior, she won a United Dairymen of Idaho Distinguished Student Award, capping a career in which she was an honor roll student at the school.

Sauer was active in community awareness events such as the Every 15 Minutes impaired driving awareness assembly and a breast cancer awareness campaign she helped coordinate.

She was active in National Honor Society and Natural Helpers.

Sauer died when the 2004 Saturn Vue she was driving collided with the rear of a semi tanker trailer traveling slowly up a grade and her vehicle then was struck by a another semi pulling a trailer. Idaho State Police said the accident occurred around 9 p.m.

Sauer was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident on west-bound I-84, 13 miles east of Mountain Home, according to ISP.

According to law enforcement, Sauer along with the drivers of the tractor-trailers were wearing seatbelts, and alcohol was not a factor in the crash.

State police Sgt. Sam Ketchum said investigation into the events leading up to the crash is ongoing. Ketchum said reports from other news agencies about possible distracted driving are purely “speculation” at this point.

“Right now we have custody of the phone,” Ketchum said. “We are treating this as speculation and the investigation is continuing.”

Ketchum expects a full accident report to be completed within the week.

— JLZ



The front yard of Marsing residents Arlene and Dave Lamkey was selected as the recipient of an Owyhee Gardeners’ “Good Neighbor Award” for the summer of 2011. Submitted photo

Owyhee Gardeners honor business, homeowners with annual award

The Owyhee Gardeners recognized local residents and business owners this past week at its monthly meeting with their annual “Good Neighbor Award”. Typically officers from the gardeners surprise the home and business owners during the summer with the award. The gardeners presented the 2011 awards in September, but they formally recognized the recipients during the January meeting.

Recipients this year from Marsing included commercial honoree Hells Canyon Winery, Arlene and Dave Lamkey for the in-town resident and Carol, Neil and Valoy Pierce for the rural selection.

Award winners in Homedale included the Owyhee Family Dental Center, Kristy and Jeff Marks for the rural residence and Betty and Syd Freeburg as the in-town selection.

The recipients of the “Good Neighbor Award” receive a certificate, a sign to place in their yard and a state gardening certificate. The club meets at 1 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Lizard Butte Library, located at 111 S. 3rd Ave. W. in Marsing.

The gardeners club decides upon selections made by club members, choosing homeowners and businesses every year. They select one business from both Marsing and Homedale along with an in-town and rural residence from each of the cities. The selections are based upon landscape design, upkeep and the variety of plants.

For more information about the Owyhee Gardeners or to nominate a yard for the award, call Wanda Ferguson at 337-4305, Sharon Fawcett at 896-5276, or Judy MacKenzie at 896-4441.



From left: Syd and Betty Freeburg, Carol Pierce and Arlene Lamkey pose with their certificates after being recognized by the Owyhee Gardeners during Thursday’s meeting.

Death notice

JOHN FREEMAN, 63, of Marsing, died Jan. 12, 2012 at home. Arrangements are under the direction of the Cremation Society of Idaho. 322-3590

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School menus

Homedale Elementary

- Jan. 18: Hamburger or oven fried chicken, baked beans, fruit, cookie
- Jan. 19: Turkey & noodles or tuna sandwich, peas, fruit, goldfish crackers
- Jan. 20: Fish nuggets or burrito, Spanish rice, green beans, fruit, fruit snacks
- Jan. 23: Chicken nuggets or egg rolls, steamed rice, broccoli, fruit, fortune cookie
- Jan. 24: Spaghetti or pizza hot pocket, green beans, fruit, French bread
- Jan. 25: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit, churro
- Jan. 26: Tator tot casserole or mini beef bagel bites, mixed veggies, fruit, hot roll

Homedale Middle

- Jan. 18: Burrito or fish sandwich, corn, veggie bar, apple crisp
- Jan. 19: Spaghetti or Philly cheese steak hot pocket, veggie bar, fruit, bread stick
- Jan. 20: Pizza or popcorn chicken, tossed salad, fruit, cookie
- Jan. 23: Chicken patty or rib-b-que, tots, fruit, cookie
- Jan. 24: Wiener wrap or sloppy Joe, macaroni & cheese, carrots, fruit, goldfish crackers
- Jan. 25: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit, fruit rollup
- Jan. 26: Idaho haystack or corn dog, veggie bar, fruit, churro

Homedale High

- Jan. 18: Lasagna or pizza hot pocket, string cheese, French bread, fruit bar
- Jan. 19: Toasted cheese, chicken patty or deli sandwich, soup, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar, turnover
- Jan. 20: Polish sausage, pulled pork BBQ or French dip sandwich, corn, salad bar, fruit bar
- Jan. 23: Pepperoni pizza or nachos, chef salad, fruit bar, cookie
- Jan. 24: Chicken nuggets or egg rolls, rice pilaf, green beans, fortune cookie, fruit & salad bar
- Jan. 25: Idaho haystack, baked potato or pizza hot pocket, fruit & salad bar, cinnamon roll
- Jan. 26: Chicken patty, hamburger or cheeseburger, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar, fruit bar, sherbet cup

Bruneau

- Jan. 18: Turkey dinner, potatoes/gravy, carrots, roll/butter, apple crisp
- Jan. 19: Nachos, romaine salad, corn, banana, maple bar
- Jan. 20: Weiner wrap, baked beans, tots, broccoli, kiwi, cherry almond cookie
- Jan. 24: Cheesy chicken noodle bake, romaine salad, green beans, roll/butter, fruit cup
- Jan. 25: Lasagna, romaine salad/croutons, garlic bread, peaches
- Jan. 26: Bean & cheese burrito, Spanish rice, carrots, applesauce

Marsing

- Jan. 18: Tater tot casserole, grilled chicken sandwich, mixed veggies, soup & salad bar
- Jan. 19: Pulled pork sandwich, cheesy chicken noodle bake, mixed veggies, soup & salad bar, chocolate cake
- Jan. 20: Pepperoni pizza, salad w/ranch, egg rolls, rice, soup & salad bar, chocolate chip cookie
- Jan. 23: Mandarin orange chicken, wiener wrap, steamed carrots, soup & salad bar, chocolate cake
- Jan. 24: Spaghetti, beef nuggets, mixed veggies, roll, soup & salad bar
- Jan. 25: Enchilada casserole w/rice, steamed carrots, turkey sandwich, potato chips, soup & salad bar
- Jan. 26: Rib-b-que sandwich, sharks & whales, steamed carrots, tater tots, soup & salad bar

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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

El-Ada commodity distribution
11 a.m. to noon, across from Marsing Senior Center, Marsing. (208) 337-4812

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

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

Eastern Owyhee CWMA meeting
7 p.m., Grand View Firehouse

Thursday

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

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

Friends of the Lizard Butte Library board meeting
6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave W., Marsing, ID 83639

Monday

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

Wednesday, Jan. 25

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

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

Thursday, Jan. 26

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

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

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Bruneau Valley Library District board meeting
7 p.m., Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131

Saturday, Jan. 28

Homedale Idol band fundraiser
6 p.m., \$2 adults, \$1 students, Homedale High School auxiliary gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave.

Sunday, Jan. 29

Marsing Gun Club shoots
11 a.m., \$3.50 per shoot (members), \$4 per shoot (non-members), \$25 individual membership, \$50 family, off Idaho highway 78, Marsing. (208) 989-7367

Monday, Jan. 30

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

Wednesday, Feb. 1

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

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

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

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

Thursday, Feb. 2

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

Monday, Feb. 6

Homedale Public Library board meeting
10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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

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

Tuesday, Feb. 7

Grand View Irrigation board meeting
11 a.m., Grand View Irrigation District office, 645 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2350

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

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

Gem Irrigation District board meeting
1:15 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

South Board of Control board meeting
1:30 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

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Two out of three people in the United States wear or will wear glasses at some time in their life.

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Left to right: President: Chelyah Volkers. Vice President: Jordan Brisbin. Secretary: Annie Bass, Treasurer: Tanner Fisher and Sergeant of arms: Katelyn Wilson. Submitted photo

Wilson Butte 4-H starts 59th year

The Wilson Butte 4-H Club learned about its past and welcomed new members during its first meeting of 2012.

Club members also discussed projects, plans and activities for the coming year.

New 4-H members include Elizabeth Harmon, Spencer Fisher, Josune Jaca, Carston Volkers and Hanna Moos.

New officers also were elected, including president Cheylah Volkers, vice-president Jordan Brisbin, secretary Annie Bass, treasurer Tanner Fisher and sergeant of arms Katelyn Wilson.

The members and officers learned that the Wilson Butte 4-H Club is 59 years old. The club began in 1953 under the leadership of Howard Pitman. The name of one of the oldest 4-H clubs in Owyhee County was changed to Wilson Butte in 1981.

Wilson Butte 4-H has been around for more than half of the 100 years that 4-H has been in Idaho.

The club voted to donate \$100 each to community disaster auctions in Melba and Marsing.

Members also scheduled the club's ninth annual cowboy trail ride and fun run for April 28.

Members also were asked to send photos of workdays and upcoming events so they can be added to the club's website (www.wilsonbutte4-hclub.blogspot.com).

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Owyhee native passes love of learning on to next generation

Luisa Lowry earns grant to bolster math education in Bruneau

Teaching, like Owyhee County and ranch life, is in Luisa Lowry’s blood.

It’s only natural that she combined all three in her first job out of college.

“I really am kind of a geek. I love learning new things,” the Owyhee County native said.

“During my senior year of high school, I got to spend a day in the classroom shadowing a teacher in Caldwell. After that, I knew I was meant to be a teacher.”

The 2007 Jordan Valley High School graduate received her Early Childhood Education degree (minor in Sociology) from Covenant College in Georgia last spring and landed a job teaching fourth- and fifth-graders at Bruneau Elementary School soon after.

“I was really excited because I have always wanted to teach in a small, rural community and it would only be about three hours from home,” she said.

“As a born and bred ranch girl, I love rural communities and the culture surrounding them.”

And, like any teacher worthy of her profession, she immediately sought to improve her students’ learning environment.

Last week, Capital Educators Federal Credit Union (CapEd) surprised the 23-year-old first-year teacher with one of its \$750 teacher grants. She’ll use the money to help improve her students’ math learning through the Math Manipulatives Masters program.

“I wrote the grant to Capital Educators after looking at our math curriculum and trying to find resources to help teach it,” she said. “Math is one of those tricky subjects that is both abstract and extremely concrete.”

The grant allows her to purchase various tools to use at the Bruneau school, including fraction rods, geometric shapes, 3-D solids and more. The 3-D solids come with nets, allowing the student to flatten the three-dimensional image to see the shapes from a one-dimensional perspective, too.

The grant will benefit all math learners in the school for years to come, she said.

It’s also saving the school money.

“I am so thankful for Capital Educators and their generosity,” she said. “Normally, these are items which could have been purchased by the school. However,



From left: Amber Pearson, Bruneau/Grand View Elementary principal; Sarah Foote, CapEd Community Education Specialist; Luisa Lowry, Bruneau Elementary teacher; Lisa Hamilton, CapEd Marketing/Business Development Specialist. Submitted photo

with recent budget cuts in federal, state and local budgets, there just isn’t money to buy some of these manipulatives.

“These manipulatives will help students for years to come as they struggle to connect the abstract aspect of math to its concreteness.”

Although Lowry was a top student at Covenant, she admits that her start in math wasn’t very smooth.

Her grandmother, Pleasant Valley School secretary Rosa Lowry (she calls her “Amuma”, which is Basque for grandmother), played a role in her evolution in math.

“I never understood fractions until I started cooking with Amuma and using measuring cups,” Luisa Lowry said.

Amuma also was the first person to set Lowry on a path toward a career in education.

“I used to get to go to ‘school’ with her before Kindergarten,” she said. “The teacher they had at the time was wonderful and invited me to sit and participate in her classroom.”

“I couldn’t wait until I was old enough for school. She passed on to me a joy of learning. Because of her, I have always loved learning and soon wanted to share my love of learning with others.”

And she’s not through learning. There are plans to pursue a Masters in Special Education with a focus on Emotional/Behavioral Disorders — for starters.

“I am also contemplating a doctorate, but that won’t be for a long while yet,” she said.

“I don’t know where the Lord is taking me yet, but I am so thankful to be part of the Bruneau-Grand View School District and I’ll stay as long as they are willing to have me. I think there are lots of wonderful things going on educationally at these schools, and I’m excited to be a part of it.”

— JPB

Honor roll

Jordan Valley students honored for grades, attendance

Citizenship and attendance awards for seventh- through 12th-graders were handed out Jan. 10 at Jordan Valley Middle and High School.

Teachers, staff members and district superintendent Andree’ Scown attended the assembly, which also included the announcement of first-semester honor roll and high honor students:

Honor roll
First semester
High honors
(3.75 to 4.0 grade-point average)
Seniors — Meagan Fillmore
Juniors — Hayley Caywood and Ty Warn
Sophomores — Ben Telleria
Freshmen — Andi Warn and Stephanie Youren
Eighth-graders — Sage Raine and Jett Warn

Honors
(3.25 to 3.74 GPA)
Seniors — Quinn Fillmore, Jordan Matteri and Christina Rogers
Juniors — Nate Elsner, Blaine Moran and Tom Nelson
Sophomores — Sharayah Cline, Nick Eiguren and Sandy Warn
Freshmen — Chantel Brundage

and Wyatt Stanford
Eighth-graders — Garrett Youren
Seventh-graders — JJ Echave and Zoey Warn

Note — Honor roll students qualified by receiving no grade lower than a C.

Citizenship awards
First quarter
Seventh grade — Connor Stanford
Eighth grade — Jett Warn
Ninth grade — Nick Eiguren
Sophomore — Ben Telleria
Junior — Hayley Caywood
Senior — Meagan Fillmore



Citizenship winners from the first semester at Jordan Valley Middle School and High School included: Front row, from left: Natasha Keller, Nick Eiguren, Ben Telleria, Jessi Carson and Ty Warn. Back row, from left: Meagan Fillmore, Andi Warn, Hayley Caywood, Garrett Youren, Junior Salazar, Jett Warn, and Connor Stanford. Submitted photos

Second quarter
Seventh grade — Garrett Youren
Eighth grade — Junior Salazar
Ninth grade — Andi Warn
Sophomore — Natasha Keller
Junior — Ty Warn
Senior — Jessi Carson

Perfect attendance
First semester
Seventh grade — Zoey Warn
Eighth grade — Chantel Brundage
Ninth grade — Sandy Warn
Sophomore — Ben Telleria
Junior — Tyrel Lucas and Ty Warn



Jordan Valley Middle School and High School first-semester honor roll students included: Back row, from left: Tom Nelson, Wyatt Stanford, JJ Echave, Zoey Warn, Garrett Youren, Chantel Brundage, Quinn Fillmore, and Sandy Warn. Front row, from left: Nick Eiguren, Sharayah Cline, Christina Rogers, Blaine Moran, Nate Elsner, and Jordan Matteri.



Jordan Valley Middle School and High School first-semester high honor students included: Front row, from left, Ben Telleria and Ty Warn. Back row, from left, Stephanie Youren, Andi Warn, Hayley Caywood, Sage Raine, Meagan Fillmore, and Jett Warn.

Marsing set to welcome U of I student teacher

Students at Marsing High School will see a new face throughout the campus starting Thursday when a University of Idaho student begins her four-month stint teaching agriculture-based classes.

Sarah Perkins was placed at MHS by the U of I Department of Agricultural Education and 4-H Youth Development as she finishes her undergrad work. The U of I senior will work with Marsing Agricultural Science and Technology Instructor Mike Martin.

The 2008 Columbia High School graduate will teach plant, soil, animal and environmental sciences, agribusiness, agricultural mechanization and leadership classes through May.

After completing her student teaching, Perkins will graduate



Sarah Perkins

from the U of I with a Bachelors of Science in Agriculture and Extension Education. She plans on starting her graduate work in 2013 at the U of I or Texas Tech and will pursue a masters in Agriculture Education or Ag Communications.

Bruneau, Jarbidge flow into magazine’s consciousness

Two rivers that flow in southern Owyhee County have made it on a magazine’s best-of list.

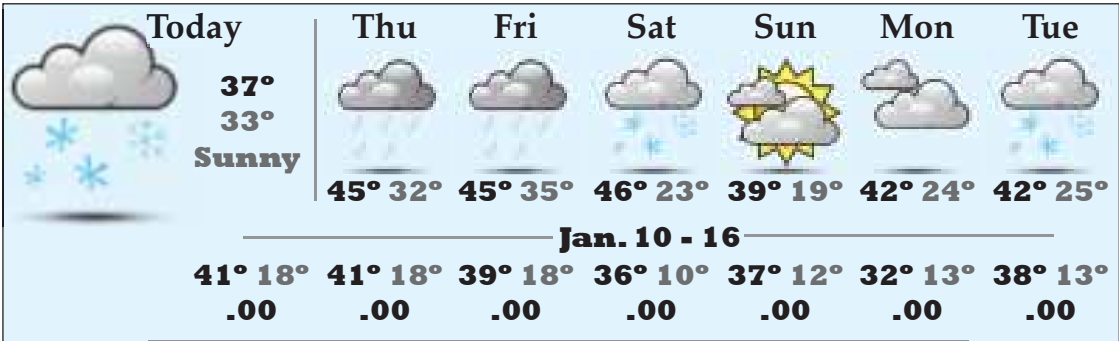
National Geographic has placed both the Bruneau and Jarbidge Rivers on its Best Adventure Destinations for 2012 compilation.

The tourism arm of the Idaho Department of Commerce

announced the selection last week.

National Geographic’s story on the rivers details their wilderness location, accompanying scenery and late-spring whitewater rafting trips. Fishing, hunting and hiking also are available.

Both rivers run through what is now the 90,000-acre Bruneau-Jarbidge Wildernesses.



SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow	Snow	Year-to-date	Previous day's temperature		
	Equiv.	Depth	Precip.	Max	Min	Avg
	(measured in inches)			(measured in Fahrenheit)		
<i>Mud Flat</i>						
01/10	0.7	-99.9	3.0	45.1	18.7	30.0
01/11	0.6	2.0	3.0	39.0	16.7	28.6
01/12	-99.9	3.0	3.0	35.4	7.3	20.7
01/13	0.7	3.0	3.0	43.2	11.7	24.6
01/14	-99.9	3.0	3.1	45.5	15.6	29.5
01/15	-99.9	2.0	3.1	51.1	21.2	36.3
01/16	-99.9	3.0	3.0	39.7	18.1	28.6

Reynolds Creek						
01/10	0.5	1.0	4.3	41.2	26.6	32.4
01/11	0.5	1.0	4.3	41.5	19.8	31.5
01/12	0.4	1.0	4.3	28.2	15.4	20.3
01/13	0.5	1.0	4.3	31.5	13.6	23.4
01/14	0.6	1.0	4.4	44.8	20.1	35.2
01/15	0.5	1.0	4.3	46.9	36.9	42.1
01/16	0.4	1.0	4.4	39.0	12.9	21.6

South Mountain						
01/10	2.1	5.0	6.6	47.8	31.5	39.4
01/11	2.1	6.0	6.4	42.8	21.0	32.5
01/12	2.1	5.0	6.5	33.3	18.7	25.7
01/13	2.0	6.0	6.5	40.8	25.7	32.5
01/14	2.2	5.0	6.6	48.2	33.6	40.3
01/15	2.2	5.0	6.2	44.4	36.1	39.7
01/16	2.0	5.0	6.4	37.4	13.8	23.5

* -99.9 indicates invalid data received by sensor

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

Weather History

From the Jan. 25, 1962 Avalanche Old Man Winter visits Homedale ... 20 below, 7 in. snow, plague residents

Homedale, digging out from one of its worst snow and windstorms in years, found itself enveloped in a severe cold wave of sub-zero temperatures this week.

The snow and wind, which started Friday evening and continued through the night, created drifts, which made numerous roads impassible until they could be cleared by county and city equipment.

Streets and roads are now open, but a thin layer of snow-covered ice makes driving hazardous in most places. Few accidents have been reported because of the extreme caution used by motorists and less traffic.

Bert Adams, Owyhee Heights, reported that approximately seven inches of snow fell. When melted down, the moisture content would be about .75 inch.

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West Owyhee grazing permits face EIS

Time is running out to submit comments regarding the renewal of more than two dozen grazing permits in western Owyhee County.

The Bureau of Land Management has set a Feb. 8 deadline to receive comments as the federal agency analyzes the cumulative effects of land uses — including livestock grazing — while considering renewal of 25 permits encompassing 120,000 acres of federal land in the Jump Creek, Succor Creek and Cow Creek areas.

“Earlier environmental assessments of the effects of grazing in these allotments did not consider potential inter-relationships between livestock grazing and other multiple-use activities that are now occurring in the area,” Boise District Manager Aden Seidlitz said.

“An EIS (environmental impact study) will allow us to fully explore the relationship of grazing to the impacts on sage-grouse habitat from these other activities in the area, along with other factors that are part of the landscape in this portion of Owyhee County.”

Comments received will help determine the scope of issues to be addressed in the draft EIS.

The permits in question are tied to allotments that a federal court ordered reassessed as part of the years-long litigation brought by Western Watersheds Project that affects Owyhee Resource Area permittees (ORAP).

The study will focus, in part, on the effects to allotments that house greater sage-grouse habitat or where interaction between domestic sheep and Bighorn sheep may occur.

Other land uses in the area include recreation activities, travel management planning from the BLM’s Owyhee Field Office, wild horse management, potential wind energy development and electrical

transmission line development.

Comments on the issues and planning criteria will be used to analyze the environmental impact and develop alternatives to be included in a draft EIS.

The BLM will accept comments in the following ways:

- Website: http://www.blm.gov/id/st/en/fo/owyhee/owyhee_grazing_group.html
- Email: NPR_EIS@blm.gov
- Fax: (208) 373-3805
- Mail: 1387 S. Vinnell Way, Boise, ID 83709, Attn.: Jake Vialpando, project manager

Any public scoping meetings will be announced on the BLM website (www.blm.gov/id) at least 15 days before the meeting is scheduled.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has determined that listing the greater sage-grouse under the Endangered Species Act is “warranted”. Significant portions of southwestern Owyhee County and adjacent lands in Oregon have been identified as habitat on which the species depends.

Bighorn sheep management units overlap several of the allotments included in the EIS, and bighorn sheep have been seen on lands adjacent to one allotment. Domestic sheep permitted for this allotment are also seasonally trailed to and from pastures in Oregon where they may intermingle with bighorn sheep.

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BLM’s new field manager strives for communication

Chandler keenly aware of the challenges ahead

Loretta Chandler is just one of the new faces folks will meet when they visit the Bureau of Land Management’s Owyhee Field Office in Marsing in the coming months.

Chandler has been on the job since late November. An open house to introduce the 10-year Department of the Interior veteran will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. today at the field office, 20 1st Ave., in Marsing.

The former manager of the DOI Solicitor’s Field Office in Billings, Mont., said the open house is part of her quest to build new relationships with permittees, elected officials and others who use federal lands in the Owyhee Field Office.

“I think you have to start on-on-one,” she said. “We’re having an open house next week. We’ve invited a wide range (of people). I hope we’ve invited everyone.”

Some have criticized the early hour at which the open house is scheduled, but Chandler has said she’s willing to meet people face-to-face at more convenient times to continue to get to know those with whom she will be working.

There’s also a picnic at Marsing City Park near the field office planned for mid-summer she said.

“What I’d really like to do is go sit at kitchen tables and talk with folks,” she said. “I would love to do that. The fact is, an I know it, that most people are too busy

to be sitting at their own kitchen tables.”

The face-to-face philosophy will extend to county officials and permittees after the open house is a memory, too.

“I want to have good communications, and to me, that means frequent communications, and I want to have honest communication,” Chandler said.

“I’m not a politician. I just want us to be able to speak honestly to one another. That could lead to some uncomfortable situations, but I believe if you ignore the uncomfortable and don’t work through it then we don’t get to the other side.”

She also will learn about the Owyhee Local Working Group’s sage-grouse conservation work by attending the group’s meeting next Wednesday.

The field office also has a new range supervisor, Tina Ruffing. A new range conservationist will be announced in the middle of February, Chandler said, and a new assistant field manager will come on board later.

“We have an excellent staff. They’re very dedicated and highly qualified for the positions,” she said. “They want to work hard, and they are happy to be in the Owyhee office.”

The turnover won’t affect the ongoing reassessment of Owyhee Resource Area permittee allotments, she said, because there already are teams from the field office and the state office carrying out those reviews ahead of the 2013 deadline.

And the allotment review is just one part of what Chandler describes as a heavy workload for

the field office.

“I think we have the resources to get it done,” she said. “It’s going to be work, it’s going to be a burden, but it’s not a burden we can’t take on.”

Other crucial issues facing the office include livestock trailing permits, species conservation for the sage-grouse and Bighorn sheep, recreational use, and the Owyhee Management Act, or OMA for short.

“The OMA piece, which makes me chuckle because it’s German for grandma and that’s what my grandchildren call me,” she said.

She also understands the sensitivity of the trailing permit issue, which she said is a statewide issue currently receiving “intense scrutiny”.

“We absolutely want to facilitate the ranching community’s ability to graze. We do not want to interfere with that,” Chandler said.

“We do want to do it (the permit process) in a way that complies with regulations and with (the National Environmental Protection Act), and we want to do it right so we don’t have to back and patch it up.”

While the whirlwind of issues continue to swirl as she is finding her footing, the Southern California native has found a piece of Owyhee County from which she can start each day with a refreshing outlook.

“I’m really happy to be here,” she said. “I found a place to rent on Hardtrigger Road, and watching the sun hit those hills in the morning is just fantastic.”

— JPB

Legion posts seek grave locator at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery

Visitors to Marsing-Homedale Cemetery soon could have a map locator to help them find graves, if a joint American Legion community project is successful.

Both American Legion Post 128 in Marsing and the George D. VanDerhoff American Legion Post 32 in Homedale are spearheading the project, according to Marsing Post adjutant Kathy Barton.

According to blueprints presented to the cemetery board, the octagon-shaped building will be located off the northwest area of the circular drive at the cemetery. The building will be 16 feet in diameter and feature a cement floor, fiber cement siding and a metal roof with a Plexiglas skylight.

“The American Legion Posts are asking for community donations

to help fund this project,” Barton wrote. “We will be subcontracting out work/ skills that are not available in the post. We request donations to help us with cost of materials and some labor.”

Donations may be given to the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Map Locator Fund at local US Bank branches. There are US Bank branches in Marsing and Homedale.

For more information on the project, call Rick Sherrow at 896-4819.

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County establishes cellphone reimbursement limits

Personal phone usage triggers new policy

In an attempt to rein in costs, county commissioners have put caps on the amount employees will be reimbursed for using their private cellular phones for county business.

“We think we were paying for a cellphone or two more than the benefit we were getting from it,” Board of County Commissioners chair Joe Merrick said.

Most cellphones used by elected officials and employees are Owyhee County property, County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said.

Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery and Weed Department supervisor Craig Whitted, a part-time employee, use their

own cellphones for county business and are reimbursed for their charges, she said.

“The cellphone was getting used for more personal business than county business at this time,” Merrick said without identifying which of the private cellphones had raised a red flag.

With the passage of Resolution 12-03 on Jan. 9, the commissioners set the maximum monthly reimbursement for elected officials and full-time employees using their personal cellphones at \$50. There is a provision to increase reimbursement with prior written approval from the BOCC.

Sherburn said Emery has been reimbursed \$47 monthly.

Reimbursement for part-timers will be pro-rated based on the number of days worked in a given month. The amount shall not exceed \$50.

Whitted has been reimbursed as much as \$50 in a month, according to Sherburn.

Merrick said the new policy doesn’t pertain to county-owned cellphones, such as those used by the sheriff’s office. He said that the OCSO cellphone budget was 10 percent overdrawn after one quarter of fiscal year 2012.

Merrick ready for new role

District 3 Commissioner Joe Merrick expects “a learning process” as he settles into the BOCC chairmanship for 2012. But he has plenty of faith that the commissioners will continue strong collaboration.

“I think we work as a board real well, the three of us, and just because I’m chairman of the board doesn’t mean the other commissioner won’t have as much input as I do,” the Grand View farmer said.

“I appreciate and value their ideas just as much as my own.”

District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi of Homedale will continue as liaison for the Western Alliance for Economic Development and the Owyhee County board member for Southwest District Health.

“I feel he does a good job, and I appreciate him taking a run with that,” Merrick said.

District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, a Wilson rancher, is the county’s contact with the Owyhee Initiative Board of Directors and the Owyhee Sage-grouse Local Working Group.

“It’s something that he’s knowledgeable about, and his good doing it, and I appreciate that,” Merrick said.

— JPB

OCSO retains canine after handler leaves

Commissioner: New partner to receive training

When Sgt. Slade Heeb left the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office, his four-legged partner stayed behind.

“Goose”, the canine deputy who joined OCSO around the same time Sheriff Daryl Crandall’s administration began, now partners with Deputy Karl Kingston, according to Board of County Commissioners chair Joe Merrick.

Merrick said he learned of Goose’s reassignment in a brief conversation with Crandall.

Idaho regulations require all canine teams have Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) certification in order to perform duties. Handlers must undergo 240 hours of POST-approved training, including suspect search, apprehension, handler protection, obedience and agility.

The sheriff’s office also is required to notify the POST Council when the dog is put into service.

According to Idaho Administrative Code, a canine team’s certification ends when the partnership is terminated. POST records show that Kingston received basic patrol certification in September and has yet to be certified as a canine handler in any way.

Heeb was certified with Goose in K-9 Controlled Substance Detection when he resigned.

Merrick said Crandall told him that Kingston will receive training as a handler from part-time OCSO deputy Rick Wiley, who trained Goose and Heeb originally.

County commissioners have never appropriated funds for the care and training of Goose. The sheriff’s canine unit relies on donations and money garnered from a horseshoe tournament fundraiser at Grand View Days each summer.

Merrick also said that an individual in the Bruneau-Grand View area has provided funding for Goose. The District 3 com-

missioner declined to identify the donor without first checking with the person.

“The dog has been taken care of real well,” Merrick said.

Sheriff moves forward with kitchen repair

A contractor hired by Crandall apparently has carried out repair of water damage to the county jail kitchen.

“One day there was an outfit that showed up and started some repair work, and (County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn) asked what was going on, and one of the ladies in the sheriff’s office said they are fixing the kitchen,” Merrick said.

Merrick said the contractor was not among the companies that the commissioners had contacted for estimates.

The commissioners previously had approved a new roof for the sheriff’s office at the cost of \$47,006, but had yet to move forward on the interior repair project. The leaky roof caused extensive damage to the sheetrock in the jail kitchen.

Assessor Brett Endicott, who also acts as building superintendent for the courthouse, told the commissioners during the Jan. 3 meeting that he had contacted Homedale contractor Aaron Marts about an estimate on the repairs.

County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn said that it was unknown if Crandall obtained an estimate on the High Country work because nothing had been submitted to the commissioners.

Both Merrick and Sherburn said that they had not yet contacted the county’s insurer, Idaho Counties Risk Management Program, to find out if going ahead with the work without submitting an estimate or claim would jeopardize insurance coverage for the damage.

Merrick said that the commissioners haven’t seen a bill from the sheriff regarding the repair.

“There’s a lack of communication there,” Merrick said. “It’s hard to get anything out of anybody.”

— JPB



Homedale band to provide warm-up music for pro ballplayers
Homedale music director Jessica Hanna takes the band through a number during a break in Thursday’s 3A Snake River Valley conference girls’ basketball action between the Trojans and Fruitland. The Homedale band will perform before the start of Saturday’s Idaho Stampede game in Boise.

Musicians to play at Stampede game

Saturday performance caps ticket sales fundraiser

Homedale High School musicians will perform at a professional basketball game as part of a fundraiser.

Choir and band members recently sold discounted tickets to the Idaho Stampede’s Saturday NBA Development League game against the Austin Toros.

The game tips off at 7 p.m. at the CenturyLink Arena in downtown Boise. The doors open at 6 p.m.

The band will perform during pregame warmups, and the choir will sing the National Anthem.

“We actively reach out to all the schools,” Stampede senior account executive Steven Clenney said. “Homedale was one of the schools we contacted.”

Tickets in the arena’s Wrangler section were available for \$10 each, with half of the ticket price going back to the Homedale music department. Clenney said the seats are in the arena’s lower bowl behind the basket and the horseshoe area of the building.

The seats usually sell for \$14 each.

The students will arrive at the arena at 5:30 p.m. for a sound check and setup.

Homedale singing contest rescheduled

The second annual Homedale Idol competition has been rescheduled because of a conflict.

Originally planned for Saturday, Jan. 28, the Homedale school music department fundraiser will be held at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11 inside the Homedale High School auxiliary gymnasium.

Students can sign up for the singing competition either at HHS or Homedale Middle School. It costs \$5 to enter the talent show.

“The idea for Homedale Idol originated from American Idol, and it was also done in Glens Ferry, where I worked before Homedale,” Homedale schools music director Jessica Hanna said.

Lauren Craft won last year’s competition, with Mackenzie Michael as runner-up.

This year, the winner will receive two passes to Wahooz

entertainment center in Meridian. Second place nets a \$15 prize from the Frosty Palace.

Spectator admission for the event is \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

The singing competition was rescheduled because the annual Homedale Team Duals wrestling tournament will utilize both the old gym and the main gym on Jan. 28.

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Other Huskies
dispatch Marsing

JV girls roll
into league play

Avalanche Sports

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Glenn gets past Mendoza for Magic Valley mat crown

Two state tournament qualifiers from a year ago squared off in the 182-pound championship match Saturday at the Magic Valley Classic in Wendell.

Marsing's Austin Glenn

got the better of fellow senior Ismahel Mendoza of Homedale for the title.

Homedale finished eighth in the team standings, and Marsing was 11th.

Glenn and Mendoza were

the only wrestlers from either Homedale or Marsing to reach the championship round.

Freshman Devin Fisher (113), junior Brad McCain (195) and senior Bodie Hyer (220) brought home a third-place medals for

the Trojans.

Luis Garza was fourth at 106 for Homedale, while teammates Andrew Randall (106) Michael Deleon (113) and Cayetano Montes (152) won fifth-place matches. Montes beat Dillon

Danner of Marsing in his final match.

Martin Calderon lost the fifth-place match for heayweights.

The Huskies' Ismael Hinojosa (145) and Austin Williams (160) lost their fifth-place matches.

Homedale girls can't keep up with Fruitland in second half

Trojans fall into third place in 3A SRV as season's second half starts


Fruitland High School upended Homedale's hopes of sole possession of second place Thursday with a strong second half of girls' basketball.

The Grizzlies cemented their 47-24 3A Snake River Valley conference win on the Trojans' floor by outscoring their hosts by 17 points after halftime.

Fruitland's Jandee Carlson scored all but two of her game-high 18 points after the break.

The two teams entered the game tied for second place one game behind Weiser, and the contest lived up to the context in the first half.

Homedale (9-5 overall, 3-2 conference at week's end) never led, but tied the game twice

Homedale 24 (9-5, 3-2)		Fruitland 47 (3-1 conf)
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in the first half of the second quarter, both times on scoring from 5-foot-8 senior forward Raven Kelly.

Kelly put back an offensive rebound 55 seconds into the quarter (9-9) and then hit one of two free throws with 4 minutes, 50 seconds remaining (10-10). She would score only one other free throw the rest of the night.

Sophomore forward Kaylee Rupp sparked the Trojans' comeback from an earlier five-point deficit with another offensive putback as Homedale had early success on the boards against the taller Grizzlies. The

5-10 Rupp led the Trojans with eight points.

But Fruitland soon trumped Homedale's 6-1 run to a 10-10 deadlock, outscoring Homedale 10-4 through the rest of the half.

Ambrea Cuellar, a 5-11 junior, scored six of her eight points in the final 8:19 of the first half.

Saturday: Homedale 44, Parma 34 — The Trojans broke up a conference home game with a 17-6 run in the second half.

Laurien Mavey nailed two three-point goals for the majority of her 10 points for the Trojans. Teammate Kylie Farwell connected on eight of 13 free throws as part of her game-high 14 points.

Rupp added eight points. The Trojans held a 34-18 lead after three quarters.



Homedale's Laurien Mavey, left, drives around Fruitland defender Jandee Carlson while Gabby Nash provides a block during the Trojans' 47-24 loss at home on Thursday night.



Marsing's Ashley Hull drives around Melba defender Dani Romans last week during the Lady Huskies' 45-40 win at home. Marsing is set to take on New Plymouth on Thursday on the road.

Lady Huskies squeak past Vandals

Marsing readies for final three games before districts


The Marsing High School girls' basketball team narrowly pulled out a win on Friday night over visiting McCall-Donnelly, 36-26.

At the intermission, the Lady Huskies (10-4, 6-1 2A Western Idaho Conference) had the lead at 15-9. Throughout the third quarter, the Vandals matched Marsing bucket-for-bucket, which wasn't many.

On the night, Marsing shot 12 of 39 from the floor with Ashley Hull capitalizing on eight of her nine trips to the charity stripe.

Hull lit up the scoreboard for a game-high 26 points. Dafni Clausen notched six points followed by Andrea Rodriguez with four.

"I don't know if we underestimated them, but we were just flat," Marsing coach Tim Little said. "There was a lack of intensity, and I am as guilty as they are for that. Human nature is to look ahead, and I think that is what we were

Marsing 36 (10-4, 6-1)		McCall-Donnelly 23
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doing with three games left.

With three games left — two conference and one non-conference — the Lady Huskies have a tough row to hoe as they prep for New Plymouth on the road on Thursday and Nampa Christian to finish out the year at home on Jan. 26.

"With three games left; a week from Thursday we are done and heading into districts," Little said. "We wish we could have wrapped it up, but we have our two toughest teams heading into districts and then we throw Homedale in the middle of the two games."

The Lady Huskies are set to take on the Trojans (9-5 overall) in Homedale. Marsing's junior varsity will field only one team and will start at 6 p.m. with the varsity to follow at 7:30 p.m. In December, Marsing edged its

rival 46-32.

"It is a good game to have," Little said. "Having this game is as close to a league game's intensity that you could ask for. I think this week, intensity-wise, it will be tough to muster. The girls are working through everything that has happened together and have a lot to deal with."

Many of the girls on the basketball team were friends of 2011 Marsing grad Taylor Sauer, who died in a car accident on Saturday night, Little said.

Jan. 10: Marsing 45, Melba 40 — In a league rivalry game, the Lady Huskies capitalized on 16 Melba turnovers to down the visiting Mustangs.

Marsing was led by Hull and Rodriguez, who each scored 11 points. Hull went 6-for-7 from the line followed by Rodriguez, who aced two free-throw attempts. Overall, the Lady Huskies made 11-of-16 attempts.

Clausen picked up eight points followed by Deidrie Briggs with six and Evon Timmons with five.

— JLZ

Sports

No charity at home for Homedale boys

Weiser rides lopsided free-throw advantage to conference win

Homedale High School managed just six points in the first quarter, but it may have been the disparity in free-throw chances that led to the Trojans' third consecutive boys' basketball loss Friday.

Kade Eiguren hit three of the Trojans' five successful free throws in a 59-47 3A Snake River Valley conference loss to visiting Weiser.

Drew McKie matched Homedale's output with a 5-for-9 night from the free-throw line, leading all scorers with 17 points for Weiser.

Homedale 47 (3-10, 0-2)		Weiser 59 (1-0 conf)
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The Wolverines made 41 trips to the foul line on the Trojans' home floor, knocking down 29. Homedale, meanwhile, had just nine chances.

Homedale (3-10 overall, 0-2 conference) was within seven points, 39-32, heading into the final eight minutes when Weiser erupted for 20 points.

Eiguren scored 13 points, and senior Trey Corta put in a team-high 16 for Homedale.

Wednesday: Parma 69,

Homedale 40 — The host Panthers posted 21 points in the opening quarter and cruised to a victory in both teams' conference opener.

The Trojans found themselves down by 27 points at halftime.

Corta scored 12 points for the Trojans, who tried to climb back into the game with a 17-6 run in the third quarter. Brett Ryska and Seth Bayes scored six points each. Ryska and Eiguren found the range from beyond the three-point arc.

Four players hit double figures for Parma, including Jesus Arteaga (16 points with three of Parma's eight three-point goals), Trevor Kiser (15), Rilee Emry (14) and Jordan Condi (11).

Homedale trustees bring back golf, JV baseball

Baseball must maintain minimum number of players to keep team

Two high school sports teams won't miss a beat after getting axed last year by Homedale School District trustees.

Boosters raised enough money to reinstate the Homedale High School golf program, and the school board Wednesday voted to hire a junior varsity baseball coach.

The golf program was among three sports eliminated in cost-cutting moves before the 2011-12 school year began. The JV baseball coaching position — and essentially the subvarsity team — also was cut during budget planning.

But with a total of \$3,710.06 now available, the Trojans will field a golf team in a few weeks. Casey Grove was approved Wednesday night to coach the squad. Greg Kilmer had served as coach each of the past two seasons.

Superintendent Tim Rosandick said Grove was hired because he had expressed an interest in the job and was the only on-campus personnel to apply for the position.

A total of \$1,490.06 already on the books from previous teams' fundraising was added to parents' checks and participation fees of \$75 each for seven prospective golfers to fund the golf team. Trustees required more than \$3,400 in order to field a team.

Trustees only approved the

JV baseball coaching position during Wednesday's meeting. The reinstatement is contingent on an eligible roster of 24 baseball players at the first day of practice on Feb. 24. If more than one game is cancelled because of a lack of players, then team will be disbanded immediately.

"Currently we have 21 kids. We've got just a gob of them," HHS varsity coach Burke Deal said. "Seven more are telling us they're playing."

The board is expected to vote to bring back last year's coach, Darrin Gleiser, on Feb. 13. Trojans varsity coach Burke Deal said last week that he was looking at Gleiser as the JV coach.

HYS signups set for elementary school

Registrations for baseball, softball are due by Feb. 3

Youth baseball and softball signups are scheduled next Wednesday and Feb. 2 at Homedale Elementary School.

Homedale Youth Sports Inc. will conduct registration for T-ball, baseball and softball for ages 5 and older from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. each night at the school, 420 W. Washington Ave.

Feb. 3 is the registration deadline. A \$15 late fee will be assessed for all applications received after the deadline.

Entry fees are:

• \$35 for boys/girls T-ball (ages 5-7; must be 5 before

June 1)

• \$45 for Coach Pitch baseball (boys, ages 7-8; cannot be 9 before May 1)

• \$45 for 8U softball (girls, cannot be 9 before Jan. 1)

• \$75 for 10U softball (girls, cannot be 11 before Jan. 1)

• \$75 for Cal Ripken 9-10 baseball (boys, cannot be 11 before May 1)

• \$75 for Cal Ripken 11-12 baseball (boys, cannot be 13 before May 1)

• \$75 for 12U softball (girls, cannot be 13 before Jan. 1)

• \$100 for Babe Ruth baseball

ages 13-15 (boys, cannot be 13 before May 1)

• \$75 for 14U softball (girls, cannot be 15 before Jan 1)

• \$75 for Babe Ruth Age 16 softball (girls, cannot be 17 before Jan. 1)

Financial arrangements may be available. Call HYS president Shane Brown at 880-4552 before registering.

Registration discounts are available for parents who secure HYS program sponsorships. A child's registration is waived if a parent secures \$250 in sponsorships. Half the fee is waived for \$150 in sponsorships. The sponsor's name is displayed on a banner at Sundance Park.

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Student Athlete Spotlight

Kaylee Rupp Sophomore Basketball

The Play — Rupp's early rebounding success helped Homedale stay with Fruitland early in a battle for second place in the 3A Snake River Valley conference on the Trojans' floor Thursday. She averaged eight points per game last week as Homedale split its two conference games. Rupp had eight points in Saturday's 44-34 win over visiting Parma.



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Tuesday, Jan. 24, home vs. Marsing, 7:30 p.m.
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Friday, Jan. 20, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 24, home vs. Marsing, 6 p.m.
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Friday, Jan. 20, home vs. Payette, 4:30 p.m.
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Wrestling
Thursday, Jan. 19 at Weiser, 6 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 20 at Padilla Invitational, Parma, TBA
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Boys' basketball
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Marsing's Jose Acuna looks for an open pass while being defended by North Star's Anthony deVera on Thursday night in Marsing

Other Huskies dispatch Marsing

MHS takes on No. 1 Melba at home next week

The Marsing High School boys' basketball team fought its way through an ugly first quarter to come within a few points of North Star Charter on Thursday night but eventually lost 44-37 in a 2A Western Idaho Conference showdown.

Having dropped the Huskies of North Star, 52-44, during the Husky Holiday Classic, Marsing was unable to clinch its first league win.

"We had a bad quarter and that hurt us in the second," Marsing coach JW Chadez said. "What hurt us was the whole first half. (North Star) came out and played a really strong first half. It seemed like we were intimidated to drive the ball in."

Chadez believes that for whatever reason, intimidation

Marsing 44 (6-7, 0-5)		North Star 52 (8-3, 2-2)
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played a huge factor in the Huskies' (6-7, 0-5 2A WIC) loss. During the holiday tourney, Marsing landed at the charity stripe 23 times during the championship game. Against North Star on Thursday the shot Huskies only two free throws.

"We only shot two (free throws) the second time we played them," Chadez said. "Is it a little bit of the refs? Yes, but if you aren't taking the risk and driving inside, it accounts for a lot of that. We have to play hard. The lack of execution and running it hard makes the difference."

On the night, Miguel Leon led Marsing with 10 points

and three assists followed by Jason Galligan with nine points, eight blocks and five rebounds. Dakota Hill picked up eight points with MacKay Hall and Jose Acuna each adding five.

"We are 0-5 in league, and we need some momentum," Chadez said. "I believe we can beat any of the teams we have coming up in the next week. It will really take a committed effort. It seems like we are caught up in winning and losing. Bottom line is we don't preach winning and losing, but leaving it all on the line. It is about giving it your best effort and enjoying the game. You can still go out and lose and have a good time playing basketball and play hard."

The Huskies are set to take on No. 5 in a statewide poll Cole Valley in Meridian on Friday night and will return home to face off with No. 1 Melba on Wednesday.

— JLZ

Adrian boys cruise to 2-0 HDL start with lopsided win

Every player scores in 50-point rout of Burnt River

A fast start allowed Adrian High School to play its boys' basketball reserves Friday as the Antelopes started the league season 2-0.

Every player who got on the floor got in the scoring column for Adrian in a 76-26 1A High Desert League blowout of winless Burnt River in Unity, Ore.

Paxton Shira scored 16 points and dished seven assists in 18 minutes of action. Juan Munoz played 10 minutes and racked up 15 points. The two starters connected on 13 of 18 field-goal attempts.

The Antelopes (4-10 overall, 2-0 HDL) entered the first weekend of

league play on a four-game losing streak.

Adrian erased memories of its slow start to the season with a 24-2 sprint through the first quarter against the Bulls. The Antelopes led 42-8 at intermission. The team shot 60 percent (33-for-55) from the floor, and received contributions from everyone. Leo Munoz scored eight points, fellow starter Kurt Nielson scored seven and bench players Oliver Csaszar

and Danny Livas chipped in six points apiece.

The Bulls (0-10, 0-2) received eight points from sophomore Rustin Kezerle and seven from freshman Cody Belveal. Burnt River is a young squad, listing just two juniors and no seniors on its seven-player roster.

Thursday: Adrian 61, Harper 37 — The Antelopes came out aggressive in their league opener, rolling up a 23-2 run in the first

eight minutes of their rout on the road.

"The boys played hard tonight," Ishida said. "I thought our defense was very good tonight. It allowed us to get out in transition."

Adrian knocked down six of its 21 three-point attempts. Danny Livas fired in three treys on the way to 13 points.

Tommy Shenk and Paxton Shira teamed for the other three three-pointers and scored 14 points each. Shira also had 11 rebounds.

"I also thought we shot the ball well from the outside tonight, which is something we have been lacking in our previous games," Ishida said.

Harper's season-opening losing streak stretched to seven games. The Hornets played their second 1A HDL game of the year Saturday against Crane.

Harper's Dustyne Hicks, a 6-foot-3 senior center, led all scorers with 15 points. Hornets teammate Jonah Reyes, a 5-8 senior guard, added 13 points.

Patriots pound Rimrock girls

The Rimrock High School girls' basketball team was the latest to fall Friday as Liberty Charter ran its season-opening win streak to 15 with a 39-20 1A Western Idaho Conference triumph in Nampa.

Emily Rainboth led all scorers with 12 points for the Patriots, who are 5-0 in conference.

Shana McCarthy scored six, and Bailey Bachman five for Rimrock, which trailed 12-2 after eight minutes and faced a 30-8 deficit as the fourth quarter began.

MARSING HUSKIES



Student Athlete Spotlight

Jason Galligan Junior Basketball

The Play — The 6-foot-4 junior drained three three-point attempts to finish with nine points against North Star on Thursday. Galligan racked up eight blocks and five rebounds for the Huskies.

Coach's Take — "Jason is a physical presence. He has played some tremendous defense. He is hands down one of the best shot blockers I have seen in a while. Occasionally he gets fooled by a pump fake, but he is making the blocked shots count."

— JW Chadez



Girls' basketball
Varsity
Thursday, Jan. 19 at New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 24, at Homedale, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Thursday, Jan. 19 at New Plymouth, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 24, at Homedale, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Thursday, Jan. 19 at New Plymouth, 4:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 24, at Homedale, 4:30 p.m.

Wrestling
Saturday, Jan. 21 at Garden Valley Duals, TBA
Tuesday, Jan. 24, home vs. New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

Boys' basketball
Varsity
Friday, Jan. 20 at Cole Valley Christian, Meridian, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 25, home vs. Melba, 7:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Friday, Jan. 20 at Cole Valley Christian, Meridian, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 25, home vs. Melba, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Friday, Jan. 20 at Cole Valley Christian, Meridian, 4:45 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 25, home vs. Melba, 4:45 p.m.

Sports



Jordan Valley freshman Sandy Warn throws up a jumper during the Mustangs 64-34 win over Huntington on Friday night.

Younger Fillmore fills stat sheet in Jordan Valley’s 1A HDL rout

Bench players get bulk of playing time in boys’ hoops win

Freshman Braden Fillmore took advantage of his opportunity Saturday, notching a double-double in Jordan Valley High School’s easy boys’ basketball victory.

Fillmore scored 11 points and collected 11 rebounds in a 64-34 1A High Desert League victory over visiting Burnt River.

“Burnt River is very young, mostly freshmen,” Mustangs coach Mike Workman said. “I gave the starters the night off to play younger kids. We played well over all.

“Burnt River played hard the whole game.”

The Bulls from Unity, Ore., tried to bridge the inexperience gap with long-range shots. Rustin Kezerle hit four of Burnt River’s three-point goals for all of his team-high 12 points. Andrew Wilson had three treys and finished with nine points.

Fillmore hit one of three three-

pointers for the Mustangs (5-6 overall, 2-0 1A HDL).

Jordan Valley took 82 field-goal attempts, converting 27. Burnt River managed just 12 successful shots. Jordan Valley also corralled 55 rebounds.

Mustangs junior Tyrel Lucas scored nine points, while sophomore Quinn Fillmore chipped in eight and freshman Sandy Warn carded eight.

Friday: Jordan Valley 66, Huntington 48 — A 26-8 start to the game helped the Mustangs snap a two-game losing streak in the league opener for both teams in Jordan Valley.

“We had a fast start. This was our first time playing at home in a month,” Workman said. “Our defense was strong and forced a lot of turnovers.”

Nathan Easterday notched six of the Mustangs’ 11 blocked shots, and Nate Elsner dished a team-high seven of the team’s

20 assists.

Ty Warn scored 16 points, and Ben Telleria and Tom Nelson put down 10 apiece.

Huntington’s Devon Merritt scored a team-high 22 points, including a 10-for-14 performance from the foul line. Jordan Valley committed 26 fouls, while the Locomotives were whistled just nine times.

Jan. 10: McDermitt, Nev., 55, Jordan Valley 38 — The Bulldogs built a 24-point halftime lead en route to their 10th victory of the season in a non-league game in Nevada.

“We dug a hole in the first quarter,” Workman said. “We worked hard to get back in it, but unforced turnovers wouldn’t allow it.”

Jordan Valley had 21 turnovers, while the Mustangs’ defense allowed just 32 points over the final 24 minutes of the game.

Blaine Moran scored 10 points for Jordan Valley, while Telleria added nine, including a three-pointer. Ty Warn scored six points on a pair of treys.

Liberty Charter pulls past Rimrock boys in fourth Raiders challenge 1A WIC’s best in first half

Irony and inaccuracy was the downfall for Rimrock High School’s boys’ basketball game in a crucial early-season conference game Friday.

Oscar Gomez’s buzzer-beating three-point goal kept the Raiders close at halftime, but host Liberty Charter found the mark from beyond the arc eight times overall to seal the victory.

The Patriots pulled away in the fourth quarter for a 61-48 1A Western Idaho Conference victory.

“We played with them through the third quarter,” Rimrock coach John Hannah said. “We got into the fourth quarter at about the five-minute mark and started getting into foul trouble.”

The Raiders (4-4 overall, 2-1 1A WIC) would lose Clay Cantrell and Austin Meyers to that foul trouble, and the Patriots (11-1 overall) would turn a four-point lead into a nine-point victory.

“We just couldn’t keep up with them,” Hannah said. “They scored 20 points (in the fourth), and they hit their three-point goals.”

With Liberty Charter missing the services of 6-foot-6 Dominic Hulsey, who was out with a sprained ankle, the Raiders were able to grab some early rebounds. Cantrell scored 10 points and snagged 10 boards to lead Rimrock.

The rebounding wasn’t evident at crucial times, however, as the Raiders missed on the front end of several one-and-one free-throw situations. Rimrock was 11-for-25 from the foul line.

Jacob Black and Meyers shared team-high scoring honors with 12 points each. Gomez collected four steals on a night where his trey at the first-half buzzer pulled Rimrock within a point, 30-29.

Jonah Teraberry fired in half of his team’s eight three-pointers, leading Liberty Charter with 23 points. Ryan Linford added 11, while Christian Fowler scored nine.

Jan. 10: Rimrock 51, Victory Charter 28 — Meyers’ double-double performance helped the Raiders dominate their visitors from Nampa in a 1A WIC contest played in Bruneau.

Meyers scored 19 points and ripped down 17 rebounds to lead all players.

Rimrock’s defense set the tone with a first-quarter shutout and forced 11 turnovers during the game.

Ricardo Garcia scored six of his 10 points in the third quarter, helping the Raiders open a 14-point lead heading into the final period.

Clay Cantrell scored six of his 13 points in the first quarter.

Adrian girls find a way to win vs. Burnt River

Adrian High School has split its first two league games thanks to a strong second half in Friday’s girls’ basketball game.

The Antelopes shook off their regular shooting woes to post a 35-28 1A High Desert League victory over Burnt River in Unity, Ore.

The teams were tied, 14-14, at halftime before Adrian opened the second half with an 11-6 run.

Adrian had lost four of its previous five games before its first league victory.

Maddie Pendergrass led all scorers, putting down 12 for Adrian (8-6 overall, 1-1 in league). She and teammate Tane’T Campbell collected eight rebounds each.

The Bulls (3-5, 0-2) lost their third consecutive game. Whitney Anderson scored 10 points, and Kinzi Parret added nine points.

Both teams shot 27.3 percent from the floor, but Adrian took 22 more shots than Burnt River, connecting on six more attempts.

Thursday: Harper 51, Adrian 35 — The Antelopes struggled with their shots in their league opener on the road. Adrian connected on just 12 of 64 field-goal attempts (18.8 percent).

Harper’s Jackie Jordan, a 5-foot-10 senior forward, came close to matching Adrian’s scoring output with a game-high 30 points. She hit 12 of 18 free throws as the Hornets (5-4 overall, 1-0 1A HDL with the win) converted 23 of 36 free

throws (63.9 percent).

Harper built a 13-3 first-quarter lead, and another 5-10 senior forward, Whitney Chandler, added 10 points.

Adrian was just 10-for-28 (35.7 percent) from the foul line.

Nichole Orosco scored 10 points and snagged 13 rebounds for the Antelopes, while teammate Madison Purnell collected 13 of her 23 rebounds on the offensive glass, but was held to nine points on 2-for-14 shooting.

Jordan Valley girls roll into league play



The crowd wanted 80 points, and Natasha Keller didn’t disappoint. Her shot in the waning seconds sealed Jordan Valley High School’s 80-35 1A High Desert League season-opening victory over Huntington on Friday night in the Mustangs’ gymnasium. Jordan Valley (4-6 overall, 2-0 1A HDL) beat Burnt River, 62-30, on Saturday for the Mustangs’ fourth win in their past five games. Submitted photo

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25 years ago

January 22, 1987

Groundbreaking held for new Bruneau library

Charles A. Bolles, State Librarian, spoke at the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Bruneau Valley District Library. He spoke on the need to continue to upgrade educational and public library facilities even in difficult times.

The ceremony was held January 15 at 2 p.m. in the American Legion Hall with the exception of the actual turning of the soil.

The Bruneau Valley District Library was formally organized in 1979 and serves approximately 250 square miles of Owyhee County. The Library has been housed in various small areas since then. It is presently located in two rooms of a house whose interim use was donated.

The Library Board purchased the Bruneau IOOF property to build on in February of 1986. The IOOF Hall, an old 2-story brick building in badly deteriorated condition, had to be demolished to clear the building site. The demolition was completed by volunteer labor on July 18.

In June of 1986 the Library received a matching construction grant for construction of a new 30’x50’ Library building. This project is supported in part by the U.S. Department of Education under the provisions of the Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA), administered in Idaho by the Idaho State Library.

The plans for the Library building were drawn up by Architect Roger P. Graham of Boise. After approval of the plans by the State Public Works office, bids were advertised for, and sealed bids were received from six contractors. Bids were publicly opened November 19. The low bid of Horne General Contractors, Inc., Boise, was accepted, and the contract was awarded to them on December 8. Work is progressing, and the Library building is expected to be completed by early spring.

Marsing trustees vote to rehire Johnson

The trustees of the Marsing School District voted last Tuesday evening to rescind its earlier decision to accept the resignation of its superintendent, Richard Johnson.

Johnson had resigned his job at the December 9 board meeting, and the board had officially accepted his resignation.

The action last week renews Johnson’s contract with the district.

The vote to rescind the earlier decision was not unanimous, with Lavada Loucks and Jim Brown voting for the motion, Mamie Were voting against it, and John Malmberg abstaining. The Marsing district has been plagued with overexpenditures of the budget, and presently is working with a \$106,550 deficit from last year, a \$90,00 tax anticipation note due this year, and budget problems with this year’s operation.

“I feel that the budget situation has been over-emphasized to be Johnson’s fault,” board chairman John Cossel said prior to the vote.

Andersen submits resignation

Owyhee County Prosecutor Clayton Andersen submitted a letter of resignation addressed to the Owyhee County Commissioners. The letter was dated January 18.

The resignation is effective February 16, but must be officially accepted by the commissioners.

Andersen said in the letter the “primary reason for my resignation is financial and my future enhancement as an attorney”.

Maggie O’Malley serves at Ball

Maggie O’Malley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert O’Malley, Murphy, recently served refreshments at the Inaugural Ball. She was one of the 16 Honor Girl Scouts selected to serve punch, coffee and cookies to the approximately 3,000 people. She did not get to dance with Governor Andrus, but she hardly had time and “doesn’t care if she never sees another cookie”. Maggie is a sophomore at Melba High School.

50 years ago

January 25, 1962

Schools out Monday

No school was held in Homedale Monday because of the extreme cold, bad roads and school buses that wouldn’t start. (The buses were moved to the Owyhee County armory and are being kept there overnight during the duration of the cold spell). Schools in Middleton, Notus, Meridian and one school in Greenleaf were also reported closed. Wilder schools were closed Tuesday because of inability to heat schoolrooms.

Garages and service stations have been swamped with calls from people with plugged or frozen fuel oil lines, motorists with stalled cars or someone needing a push to start a vehicle.

Residents have complained of frozen water pipes, inadequate heating systems and electric blankets and clocks going off during the power failures. Farmers in the community are having perhaps the greatest difficulty of all in trying to feed and provide water for stock. Snow has drifted against many barns and corrals making them difficult to work around, especially without the aid of tractors, trucks or other machinery that won’t start. Milk production is reported to have fallen to almost nothing by many owners of dairy herds.

Ice on the river

Ice floating in the Snake River, some as large as 30-40 feet across, jammed against the island ferry Saturday night causing the cable and chain to break. The slightly damaged ferry was found in the river near Napton Sunday by Bryce Peterson, Don Carver and Lowell Buck, who spent most of the day searching for and anchoring it. The ferry owned by Ralph Franklin, Van Nuys, Calif., was anchored near where it was found and will be left until ice is out of the river.

Mrs. Harold Peterson said this was only the third time in her years of residence there that a ferry had broken away because of ice in the river.

The first ferry was built in 1899 by Jacob Mussell, one of the first Homedale residents, for use in crossing the river. It was discontinued when the Homedale Bridge was built in 1920. Mr. Franklin built the new ferry in 1960 to get back and forth to the island. It replaced a ferry originally built by Dick Helton, who homesteaded the island.

Chief Smith gives history of volunteer fire dept.

Bruce Smith, rural fire chief, gave a resume of the history of the Homedale volunteer fire department in a talk before the Homedale Kiwanis club Wednesday noon.

Early history of the department is somewhat shrouded by time, but the old hose cart and chemical equipment reposing behind the firehouse was first used during the ’20s.

In the mid-’30s the volunteer fire department raised money by dances and donations and bought a 1932 Chevrolet truck and 300 feet of fire hose. The truck was kept in a cellar dug in the sand dune near the present firehouse.

Building of the city water system and installation of several fire hydrants made the use of a fire truck possible.

Bought pumper

Homedale’s first real fire truck with pumper unit was bought by the Booster club following World War II. It was a Dodge, which had been used by the Nampa rural fire department. It was housed in one room of the city hall.

The city bought its new fire truck a few years later, and in 1955 the rural fire departments, which had raised \$5,000 from donations, was organized as a tax district to include Owyhee and Canyon county farms. A second truck was purchased for rural calls at a cost of \$12,000. A tanker truck and paddy wagon have since been added.

A levy of 3 mills was originally made, but now it has been reduced to 1 mill.

Firemen build station

The fire equipment is all housed in a fire station built by volunteer firemen with some outside help. No money was paid for labor. The city furnished materials for the building. It originally contained two stalls, but a third was added later.

140 years ago

January 20, 1872

A NEW FLYING MACHINE. A recent monthly meeting of the Franklin Institute was enlivened by a description and exhibition of a model of an aerial ship, the invention of Mr. Judson, a Philadelphia machinist. The new flying machine consisted of a cigar-shaped balloon float made of oiled silk and intended to be inflated with hydrogen gas. Beneath the float and running its entire length is a beam, beneath which runs a pipe conveying compressed air from a large copper receiver, made sufficiently strong to withstand a pressure of one hundred pounds to the square inch, to a pair of cylinders in front, the piston of which gives motion to a large cog wheel which furnishes the motive power of the machine. Crossing the cylinders is a framework supporting shafting and spur wheels, which drive the fans four on each side, thus propelling the machine through the air. Beneath the float is suspended an enclosed car for the operator and passengers. The float, when inflated, is calculated to last for twenty-four hours. The model works well, and the plan seems practical, and was generally received as the most feasible method yet advanced for navigating the air.

THE VATICAN. The ancient palace of the Popes, and the most magnificent in the world, stands on the right bank of the Tiber, at Rome. The palace takes its name from the hill on which it stands, derived from one of those ancient impositions, known as oracular deities, called by the Romans “Jupiter Vaticanus.” Who began the building is not known, but it was occupied by Charlemagne more than a thousand years ago and has been increased by successive Popes, until it has reached its present immense extent. The number of rooms in the Vatican exceeds 4,420, and its treasures in marbles, bronzes, frescoes, statues, paintings, and gems, are unequaled in the world, and its library is the richest in Europe. The length of the museum of statues alone is computed to be a mile.

PRESCRIPTION FOR THE BREATH. From six to ten drops of the concentrated solution of the chlorine of soda, in a wine-glassful of pure spring water, taken immediately after the ablutions of the morning are completed, will sweeten the breath by disinfecting the stomach, which, far from being injured, will be benefited by the medicine. If necessary, this may be repeated in the middle of the day. In some cases the odor arising from carious teeth is combined with that of the stomach. If the mouth is well rinsed with a teaspoonful of the solution of the chlorine in a tumbler of water, the bad odor of the teeth will be removed.

THE LATEST NEWS. Rothchilds’ banking-house offer to take \$600,000,000 of the new Untied States loan.

The next Republican National Convention will be held at Philadelphia, June 5th.

The Nail Manufacturers’ Convention have advanced the rates to \$4.75 for ten-penny nails.

A Convention to frame and adopt a Constitution for the admission of Utah as a State is to meet in Salt Lake, Feb. 19th.

General Sheridan and Duke Alexis have gone buffalo hunting on the Republican River.

The Illinois Legislature has passed a bill embodying what is known as the Ohio law for checking drunkenness. The characterizing feature of the bill is that it makes a liquor seller liable for damages to the families of drunkards.

Our Traditional Friend Russia seems to have got into ill humor over the Catacazy business. A special from Washington says the Gortschakoff letter is regarded by high officers a direct and open insult to the President and Secretary of State, and likely to lead to serious results.

The sworn statements in the Florida case have been received at he Naval Department. They have been at once forwarded to the State Department by order of the President. A demand upon Spain will at once be made in a manner, which will admit no evasion from explanation, apology and full satisfaction.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
The hot wax incident

I had the pleasure of spending the weekend with a roundup of cowboy friends. (This means that you fed the horses and caked the cows before breakfast). Tales were told, goats were cooked, music was played and it went on for days! But the background in my grand memories of this long weekend was the ever-present “cowboy motif” at our host’s ranch house. Everywhere I turned it was like flipping through the pages of COWBOYS and INDIANS magazine! And it all seemed to be in good taste.

The foot-high tubular clay pipe with the character of a smiling cowboy that I had assumed was to hold tennis balls, was a wine bottle holder. I guess it would be tacky just drinking out of the bottle. Cowboy Kish was everywhere; trash cans with Dale Evans on the side, saguaro salt shakers, pistol-shaped ketchup applicators, carafes made out of old rope, bowls with desert scenes in the bottom so you never knew if you were finished eating. Coyotes howled, horses bucked, longhorns stampeded, buffalo roamed and cowgirls winked from every tablecloth, curtain, bathroom rug, boot jack, statue, napkin, bed spread, towel and doily. There were times I got lost in the house. It was like waking up in a trade show at the National Western or the Pro Rodeo Finals!

But, the photos on the walls showed that I was in the home of real cowboys. Rodeo snaps of bronc riders and ropers, buckles on display and stamped saddles left no doubt. Which sets the stage for what was referred to as the “Hot Wax” incident. One of the children came screaming down the hallway exclaiming there was “... green sludge all over the bathroom!”

“Green sludge?” I pondered. The possible catastrophes I could envision left me breathless: a plumbing problem? An algae invasion? The Jolly Green Giant?

“It’s hot wax!” she cried, “All over my perfect bathroom!” Then she muttered something about skinning the perpetrator.

I peeked in over the heads of other gawkers. It looked like Kermit the Frog had eaten something that didn’t agree with him. By then the culprit had confessed. I’ll just call him Cowboy Butch, who shouldn’t have been in the bathroom in the main house anyway and was the innocent instigator of the Hot Wax Disaster. He spilled the story. He had paused on his way out of the bathroom to check himself and primp. He deftly withdrew his pocket comb and swiped at his hair. His comb shot from his slickery grip, did a flip and landed in a cauldron of hot wax, splashing the greenish lava from the Hopi curtains, to the rope-edged mirror, to the authentic Jay Silverheels Tomahawk T.P. dispenser!

I sat there in the living room, puzzled. What kind of family keeps a roiling tank of hot wax in their bathroom? And why? To be ready if you just got the notion to can peaches? Maybe it was where they collected extra earwax to recycle? Or someday start their own Madame Tussauds Museum?

I later learned that the bowl-like object was an electric scented candle, except it was melted and supposedly gave off a powerful smell. The hostess explained that, with three teenage boys in the house, a Clorox Smoked Oyster Deodorizer wasn’t enough and she thought striking a match would be too dangerous.

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Sen. Mike Crapo



From Washington
Lessening regulatory grip
key to protecting jobs, rights

According to a recent Mercatus Center report, in 2011, Americans had to comply with at least 165,000 pages of federal regulations. Federal government overreach, particularly when it comes to federal environmental laws, puts unnecessary pressure on hard-working Americans. Additionally, to dig out of the current economic difficulty, America’s small businesses, which drive job growth, need the breathing room necessary to expand and hire American workers, a task made more difficult by a growing mound of paperwork. The federal government must encourage innovation and job growth and honor individual and property rights by decreasing this regulatory overload.

We do not have to go far to find examples of overzealous interpretation of our environmental laws. After Mike and Chantell Sackett obtained the proper permits from the county and began laying a foundation for their dream home on Priest Lake, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) officials told them to cease construction, remove the foundation and restore the property because it could be a wetland, even though there was no water on the Sackett’s property, or face up to \$32,500 a day in fines. Seeing no other way out, the Sacketts sued the EPA. Six years and millions of dollars of possible fines later, the Sacketts have had their case thrown out by two federal courts. The Sacketts were in Washington, D.C. in October as part of a forum convened by Sen. Rand Paul (R-Ky.) and attended by myself, Idaho Senator Jim Risch and Idaho Representative Raúl Labrador. The Sacketts emphasized their case is a violation of their constitutional rights. Early next year, the Supreme Court will decide if the EPA violated the Sacketts’ constitutional rights.

Unfortunately, countless cases, where the EPA and other federal agencies seemed more interested in forcing compliance than giving any consideration to private property rights, individual rights or common sense, abound. Reports indicate that Jack Barron, another Bonner County landowner, is facing similar difficulty with the

EPA over home development also on Priest Lake.

For 2010, EPA Region 10, which encompasses Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Alaska, touts the assessment of nearly \$5 million in administrative and judicial penalties, which is a nearly \$2 million jump from 2009. Clean air and water are essential; however, working with individuals and businesses to correct legitimate problems, not heavy-handed fines and penalties, should be the focus of environmental achievements.

Overregulation and smart regulation are not one in the same, and I have co-sponsored legislation to reduce the growing regulatory burden while maintaining necessary protections. These legislative measures include prohibiting the issuance of new regulations until the unemployment rate decreases considerably, requiring the Obama administration to account for job and economic impacts when proposing new rules and requiring congressional approval of federal rules that may have a \$100 million or more effect on our economy. I also support legislation to restrict the EPA’s ability to regulate greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act, livestock manure emissions as toxic substances and dust in rural America, while maintaining public health protections. These are just some of the many remedies being considered in Congress.

The Congressional Research Service identified nearly 40 rules proposed, promulgated or under development by the EPA alone. Too much attention cannot be paid to ensuring that the federal government is not regulating job creators out of business and Americans out of their jobs and homes. We still have time to change course, and I look forward to working with my colleagues in Congress in the coming year to reverse the regulatory overload.

— *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.*

Accuracy In Media
Media promote “modest” global tax
for U.N. aid as financial crisis deepens

by Cliff Kincaid

A New York Times story about a “modest” global tax mentions some of those supporting the idea but forgets an important one — the United Nations. I attended a Nov. 30 U.N.-sponsored conference in Washington, D.C., where officials of the U.N. Development Program (UNDP) appeared on a panel endorsing the idea.

The UNDP is supported by about \$100 million in U.S. taxpayer money annually. The U.N. as a whole received \$7.7 billion from American taxpayers last year.

Elizabeth Shogren of National Public Radio was the moderator of the discussion, which carried the title, “Sustainability & Equity: A Better Future for All.”

Olav Kjørven, Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the Bureau of Development Policy at UNDP, said that while U.S. taxpayers may not support the global tax idea, the French do. Indeed, French President Nicolas Sarkozy and German Chancellor Angela Merkel have proposed a financial transaction tax on the European Union in order to generate more bailout money for bankrupt European states.

Fred Tipson, a former UNDP official in the audience, said it was crazy for the U.N. to promote the raising of taxes to an American audience and that the world body should instead adopt the lingo of Occupy Wall Street

and emphasize the problem of “social inequality.”

Alluding to an international IRS, U.N. official William Orme also said the imposition of the tax would require some kind of new global structure.

The Times mentioned that the global currency tax is an idea adopted by Occupy Wall Street. But the paper went on to quote an “administration official” as saying, “The president is sympathetic to the goals that a financial transactions tax is trying to achieve and he is pushing for a financial crisis responsibility fee and closing other Wall Street loopholes as the best and most feasible way to achieve those goals.”

In the past, President Obama has backed international studies on the feasibility of implementing a global tax.

But since the currency transaction tax proposals introduced by Rep. Peter DeFazio (D-Ore.) in the House and Sen. Tom Harkin (D-Iowa) in the Senate have very few co-sponsors, it is apparent that a major international financial crisis would be necessary to force such a measure through Congress.

The original DeFazio co-sponsors were Reps. Bruce Braley (D-Iowa), Hank Johnson (D-Ga.), John Sarbanes (D-Md.), Bob Filner (D-Calif.), Betty Sutton (D-Ohio),

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Commentary

Financial management

Son should talk with parents about their frivolous spending

Dear Dave,
Your plan has been a real blessing to us. Last week, my mother-in-law told my husband they haven't paid their property taxes yet. Three thousand dollars is due. I love my in-laws, but they're big spenders. They've got plenty of money and love to take lots of trips. We make good money, too, and could help them out, but we're afraid this may be just the tip of the iceberg. What's your advice on handling this?

— Kelly

Dear Kelly,
This is a really touchy situation. First of all, *you* shouldn't do anything. Your husband needs to handle this, because he's their son. Even if you make kind, polite suggestions, they'll assume you're the one withholding from them. You don't want to be labeled as the evil daughter-in-law!

I understand your position and agree that you don't want to



enable their bad habits. Giving a drunk a drink is never a good idea. But this is family we're talking about. You should try to find a way to help them if you can. If that help includes money, make certain you know exactly where it goes. When you give someone \$3,000 (the amount needed for the taxes) you earn the right to have a say in what's happening.

Maybe your husband could go have coffee with them and just talk about things. He could explain how you guys are getting out of debt, and living on a budget to get control of your money. He could tell them how it's been a fabulous thing for your marriage and your finances, and that he'd

love to show them how you're doing it.

I've got a feeling that Mom and Dad didn't raise their son to have dessert first and then eat his vegetables, but that's exactly what *they* are doing. They need to pay their property taxes before they go running off on a bunch of fancy trips.

From what you said, they've got the money to take care of what needs to be done *and* have some fun. But if they don't correct their course, they're liable to have their financial dignity stripped away.

— Dave

Dear Dave,
I have old credit card debt that goes back a few years. The account has been sold and re-sold to several collection companies. The limit on the card was \$300, but with late charges and fees I now owe \$1,500. Am I liable for the extra \$1,200?

— Monica

Dear Monica,
You agreed to their terms, which included the right to charge fees and penalties. Legally, they can do this. The honorable thing would be to send the company you contracted with a check for the full amount.

However, *that* company no longer owns the debt, and they won't get the money. They sold the debt. The present holder is just hoping to get *something* out of it. They buy debt in volume, dirt cheap, and whatever they can collect from any creditor is profit.

The current collection company would probably be thrilled to settle for a lot less than face value. Make them an offer, but start really low. You can probably meet them somewhere in the middle and settle this for around \$500.

Do not give them any money until you have in your hand — on paper, in writing — a statement showing the amount for which

they will settle, and do *not* give them electronic access to your bank account, either.

Once you have this in hand, send them a cashier's check or money order, and keep a copy of that payment and the letter for the rest of your natural life!

— 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 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

✓ Global tax: Could generate \$845 billion from U.S. for foreign aid

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Earl Blumenauer (D-Ore.), Louise Slaughter (D-N.Y.), Mazie Hirono (D-Hawaii), Peter Welch (D-Vt.), John Conyers (D-Mich.), and Maurice Hinchey (D-N.Y.). The original Harkin co-sponsors were Senators Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) and Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio).

In the current crisis, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has already committed \$353 billion to bailing out European governments. U.S. taxpayers provide approximately 17 percent of the IMF's operations.

Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-Wash.) introduced H.R. 2313 to repeal the \$8 billion increased quota and the \$100 billion line of credit to the IMF that were voted by the Democratic-controlled Congress in 2009.

The idea of a global tax was discussed at the U.N. Climate Change Conference that wrapped up Dec. 9 in Durban, South Africa.

The U.N. wants the global tax to generate additional foreign aid, which under the Millennium Development Goals of the U.N. could amount to \$845 billion from the U.S. alone.

The Times story carried the headline, "Tiny Tax on Financial Trades Gains Advocates," as if to minimize the nature of what is being proposed. The article said the idea is supported by "the billionaire philanthropists Bill Gates and George Soros, former Vice President Al Gore, the consumer activist Ralph Nader, Pope Benedict XVI and the archbishop of Canterbury."

The paper could have added that supporters also include Fidel Castro and the Socialist International, among others.

One list of supporters includes House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.), the Soros-funded

Center for American Progress, and former Obama official Van Jones.

The Times said Gates had estimated the tax would bring in \$48 billion. In fact, the Gates report says that such proposals could generate \$100 billion to \$250 billion per year.

Steven Solomon, a former staff reporter at Forbes, says in his book, *The Confidence Game*, that such a proposal "might net some \$13 trillion a year ..."

This is because once a "tiny" tax is implemented, it would be relatively easy to ratchet it up and take higher and higher percentages of money from the trillions of dollars exchanged daily in global financial markets. Any such tax would affect ordinary Americans with investment vehicles such as mutual funds and pension plans that engage in stock trades involving the movement of national currencies.

But the Times story portrayed the global tax as hurting Wall Street and the rich by running a photo of demonstrators in Nice, France, dressed up as Robin Hood, who "urged the leaders of the Group of 20 nations to do more to help the poor."

The slant in favor of the tax is not surprising, given the fact that New York Times columnists Paul Krugman and Nicholas Kristof and The New York Times editorial board are listed as being in favor of it.

Interestingly, the U.N. event moderator, Elizabeth Shogren, and one of the U.N. officials, William Orme, Chief of Communications & Publishing at the UNDP Human Development Report Office in New York, have both worked for the Los Angeles Times, a point Shogren noted in her remarks. Orme's background in journalism, before he became a U.N. advocate and

employee, also includes reporting on international affairs for The New York Times, The Washington Post, and The Economist.

The Washington, D.C. event was for the purpose of discussing the UNDP's 2011 Human Development Report, which includes several pages of discussion about how the tax should be promoted and implemented. Orme said that the report does not necessarily reflect the views of the UNDP itself. But he talked in positive terms about the tax.

The report urges "massive new investments" through "innovative new sources" like the currency transaction tax and notes that the idea was included in the 1994 edition of the Human Development Report.

Indeed, that Human Development Report went further, including an article by economist Jan Tinbergen calling for "world government" through a "strengthening of the U.N. system." He also urged a "world police" with the ability to "subpoena nations" to appear before U.N. courts.

U.N. promotion of the global tax comes at a time when Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-Fla.), chairman of the House Foreign Relations Committee, has introduced a bill, "The United Nations Transparency, Accountability, and Reform Act" (H.R. 2829), to limit U.S. participation in some U.N. functions and start cutting back on this funding. It passed the committee by a 23-14 vote and currently has 141 co-sponsors.

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton has recommended a veto of the bill if it passes the Congress.

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Public notices

SYNOPSIS OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES JANUARY 3, 2012
Approved payment of bills; Current Expense \$37,988, Road & Bridge \$5,982, District Court \$4457, Probation \$261, Indigent & Charity \$84, Revaluation \$733, Solid Waste \$678, Weed \$63, 911 \$41, Vessel \$14.
Letter to Bruneau Fire District. Approved MOA with State Historic Preservation Office on Grant. Approved closeout of 2010 EMPG Grant with BHS. Indigent & charity lien 11-60 approved. 11-48 withdrawal, 11-58 approved. Adopted comments on the Livestock Trailing EA to send to BLM. Approved sending letter with Livestock Trailing EA to the BLM. The complete minutes can be viewed online at owyheecounty.net or in the Clerk's office.
1/18/12

NOTICE TO AIRPORT CONSULTANTS
Homedale, Idaho, as the owner/ sponsor of a public-use airport facility, is soliciting Statements of Qualifications and Experience for professional airport planning services at the Homedale Airport. This project is to be completed with FAA AIP funding sources.
Interested firms are to submit **three (3)** complete copies of the Statements of Qualifications and Experience to the Homedale Airport by **5:00 p.m. local time on February 24, 2012**. Submittals should be mailed or delivered to Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming, P. O. Box 757, Homedale, Idaho, 83628. Late submittals will not be accepted.
A complete copy of the Request for Statements of Qualifications and Experience may be obtained from the Homedale City Hall office via email at cityofhomedale@cableone.net or via phone at 208-337-4641.

The Consultant must supply all information required by the Request for Statements of Qualifications and Experience. Homedale City Airport reserves the right to waive any informalities and minor irregularities in the submittals and to select the consultant deemed to be in the best interest of Homedale City Airport and the City of Homedale.
All proposals received will be evaluated based on FAA Advisory Circular 150/5100-14D, and on compliance with the request. Projects funded through FAA grants will be subject to the provisions of Executive Order 11246 (Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity) and to the provisions of the Department of Transportation Regulations 49 CFR Part 23 (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation) and to foreign trade restrictions. DBE firms are encouraged to apply.
Alice E. Pegram, Clerk/ Treasurer, City of Homedale
1/18;2/8/12

INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE ORDINANCE # 2011 - 01 AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL FO THE CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IN OWYHEE COUNTY, AND IN THE STATE OF IDAHO, ADOPTING OWYHEE COUNTY'S INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE ORDINANCE # 10-04 THAT ADOPTS THE 2009 EDITIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING

CODE WITH PROVISIONS OF THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT ACCESSIBILITY GUIDELINES AND THE FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING ACT ACCESSIBILITY GUIDELINES, THE STANDARD ACCESSABLE AND USABLE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES ICC/ ANSI A117.1 - 2003 INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE, INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE, INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE AND THE STATE OF IDAHO MANUFACTURED HOME INSTALLATION STANDARDS 2004 EDITION AS ADOPTED BY THE STATE OF IDAHO OR THE IDAHO BUILDING CODE BOARD, TOGETHER WITH ANY AMENDMENTS OR REVISIONS TO THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE MADE BY THE IDAHO BUILDING CODE BOARD THROUGH THE NEGOTIATED RULE MAKING PROCESS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF JANUARY 1, 2011 AS PER OWYHEE COUNTY.
Be it Ordained by the City of Grand View's Mayor and City Council intent is to adopt Owyhee Counties Ordinance # 10-04 and
Be it Ordained by the City of Grand View's Mayor and City Council intent is to fulfill Owyhee Counties # 10-04 Ordinance, and
Therefore be it resolved, that the City of Grand View's Mayor and City Council does hereby adopt Owyhee Counties Ordinance # 10-04 concerning the International Building Code of 2009.
Passed by the Grand View City Council the 14th day of December, 2011 and approved by the Mayor on the 14th day of December, 2011 located in Owyhee County, in the State of Idaho.
Mayor Paul R. Spang
Attest: Helana Race, City Clerk
1/18/12

NOTICE
The Great Basin Institute, in cooperation with the Bureau of Land Management, Owyhee Field Office, is applying for a State of Idaho Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant. The grant is to finish implementation of the Murphy SubRegion of the Owyhee Field Office Travel Management Plan, with an emphasis on completing signing of all of the roads and trails in the Murphy sub-unit, as well as maintaining already installed signs, establishing monitoring points, and identifying route maintenance needs. Comments should be directed to: Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, Recreational Grants Program.
1/18/12

NOTICE
Agency: USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service
Meeting: Malheur County Local Work Group Meeting
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2012

2012 ELECTION CALENDAR		
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: The following elections will be held in Owyhee County during the 2012 calendar year:		
<u>NAME OF ELECTION</u>	<u>ELECTION DATE:</u>	<u>CANDIDACY FILING DEADLINES</u>
Primary Election	May 15, 2012	March 9, 2012
General Election	November 6, 2012	March 9, 2012
Declarations of candidacy are available at the County Clerk's office. /s/Charlotte Sherburn, Owyhee County Clerk 1/18/12		

Time: 9:00am – 12:00noon
Location: OSU Malheur County Extension Office
Contact: For more information, contact Lynn Larsen, 541-889-9689 ext. 103
Purpose: NRCS is holding a local work group meeting to gather input from farmers, ranchers, state and federal agencies, agriculture and conservation organizations regarding natural resource conservation priorities and opportunities to invest collaboratively in Malheur County.
The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer
1/18/11

SUMMONS
CASE NO. CV-2011-02355
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
Jennifer Rose Bramley, Plaintiff vs. Maxime Girard, Defendant.
NOTICE: You have been sued. The court may enter judgment against you without further notice unless you respond. Read the information below.
If you want to defend this lawsuit, you must file a written response (Answer or appropriate Rule 12 I.R.C.P. Motion) to the Complaint at the Court Clerk's office for the above-listed District Court, within 20 days from the service of this Summons.
If you do not file a written response the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice. A letter to the Judge is not an appropriate written response.

The written response must comply with Rule 10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and include: your name, mailing address and telephone number, or your attorney's name, mailing address and telephone number, and the title and number of this case.
If your written response is an Answer, it must state the things you agree with and those you disagree with that are in the Complaint. You must also state any defenses you have.
You must mail or deliver a copy of your response to the Plaintiff or Plaintiff's attorney, PO Box 481, Grand View, Idaho 83624, and prove that you did.
To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the District Clerk.
If you are considering talking to an attorney, you should do so quickly to protect your legal rights.
DATED this 6th day of January, 2012.
Clerk of the District Court
/s/Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk
1/18,25;2/1,8/12

SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION
CASE NUMBER CV-2011-2336
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT STATE OF

NOTICE
The Southwest District Board of Health will hold its' **Board Meetings** on the following dates:
Tuesday, January 24, 2012
Tuesday, February 28, 2012
Tuesday, March 27, 2012
Tuesday, April 24, 2012
Tuesday, May 22, 2012
Tuesday, June 26, 2012
Tuesday, July 24, 2012
Tuesday, August 28, 2012
Tuesday, September 25, 2012
Tuesday, October 23, 2012
Tuesday, November 27, 2012
Tuesday, December 18, 2012
The Board of Health meetings will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Southwest District Health, Room 324, 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho:
1/18/12

IDAHO, COUNTY OF OWYHEE
LILIA MARTINEZ, PLAINTIFF,
V.
VANESSA SANTIAGO, SPOUSE OF VANESSA SANTIAGO SPOUSE OF LILIA MARTINEZ, THE HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF JESUS B. MORALES, A DECEASED PERSON WITH A DATE OF DEATH OF MARCH 24, 2004; AND THE IDAHO FIRST NATIONAL BANK A.K.A. IDAHO FIRST NATIONAL BANK; AND SPOUSE OF GRISELDA M. MORALES; and all of the unknown owners and unknown claimants and/or occupants of all or any part of the following described real property; and any persons claiming any right, title, or interest in the following described real property:
LOT 3, BLOCK 3 OF HOMEDALE TOWNSITE, AS SHOWN ON THE AMENDED PLAT THEREOF ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO (PARCEL 1) AND LOT 7 AND THE WEST HALF OF LOT 6, BLOCK 3 OF HOMEDALE TOWNSITE, AS SHOWN ON THE AMENDED PLAT THEREOF ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO (PARCEL 2), DEFENDANTS.
TO: The Estate of Jesus B. Morales, his heirs, devisees and/or assignees; and The Idaho First National Bank, a.k.a. Idaho First National Bank All other listed Defendants known or unknown and all occupants of above:
You have been sued by Lilia Martinez, Plaintiff, in the District Court in and Owyhee County, Idaho, Case No. CV-2011-2336.
The nature of the claim against you is to quiet title in Plaintiff the property described above against any adverse claim of interest.
Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this summons, the Court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case Number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650, (208) 495-2421, and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiff's attorney JULIE ADAMS DEFORD, DEFORD LAW, P.C., 317 12th AVENUE SOUTH, NAMPA, IDAHO 83651. (208) 461-3667 FAX (208) 461-7077.
A copy of the Summons and Compliant can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of

the Court or the attorney for Plaintiff.
If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.
DATED this 3rd day of January, 2012.
Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk of the Court
Trina Aman, Deputy Clerk
1/18,25;2/1,8/12

PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT
DERCK Investment Corporation of 1444 Knights Dr, Boise, Idaho filed **Application No. 77635** to transfer one water right with a 1955 priority date from Rabbit Creek totaling 1.08 cfs. The purpose of the transfer is to change the point of diversion from Rabbit Creek to a point of diversion on the Snake River, approximately 0.25 mile upstream of the confluence of Rabbit Creek and the Snake River. There is no change proposed to the source which will continue to be described as Rabbit Creek. Water will be used at the current place of use near about 5.5 miles south of Melba, on the south side of the Snake River.
For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or see www.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/WRFiling.asp for a full description of the right(s) and the proposed transfer. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-222. Any protest against the proposed change must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise, ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before February 6, 2012. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
GARY SPACKMAN, Interim Director
1/18,25/12

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

At 10:00 o’clock A.M. (recognized local time) on April 10, 2012, on the Front Steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho, Scott D. Stufflebeam, Attorney At Law, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 8, Block 2, Ponderosa Addition, Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2413. According to the Trustee’s records, the street address of 402 W. Utah Avenue, Homedale, Idaho is sometimes associated with said property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Ellen E. Dexter, a single person, as Grantors, Lawyers Title Company of Idaho, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, recorded June 26, 1989, as Instrument No. 199391, all records of Owyhee County, Idaho, by an Assumption Agreement executed October 29, 1993 between the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, and Carolyn F. Grooms, a single person, Carolyn F. Grooms assumed liability for and agreed to pay the indebtedness,

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to make the monthly installment due on the 28th day of each and every month. As of November 7, 2011 the account is \$1,428.15 delinquent and the monthly payments are \$235.00. The last payment was made on May 6, 2011.

The above Grantor(s) 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 balance now due is \$29,644.16 in Principal; Interest is \$1,045.71 subsidy granted is \$29,209.74 and fees currently assessed are \$0 computed through November 7, 2011 with interest accruing thereafter at the daily rate of 5.6507. Interest continues to accrue. All delinquencies are now due together with any late charges, advances to protect the security, and fees and costs associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2413.

DATED December 12, 2011
/s/ Scott D. Stufflebeam,
Attorney At Law
Successor Trustee
1/11,18,25;2/1/12

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Trustee’s Sale No. 02-FRC-112162/109967 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that,

ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW CORP., the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 26, 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: THIS PARCEL IS A PORTION OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, AND IS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, A FOUND BRASS CAP MONUMENT; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 13’20” EAST ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER A DISTANCE OF 492.64 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, A 1/2 X 24 INCH REBAR SET WITH A PLASTIC CAP STAMPED L.S. 3627; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 14’17” EAST A DISTANCE OF 485.07 FEET TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF AN EXISTING CONCRETE IRRIGATION DITCH WITNESSED BY A 1/2 X 24 INCH REBAR SET WITH A PLASTIC CAP STAMPED L.S. 3627 BEARING SOUTH 88 DEGREES 14’17” WEST A DISTANCE OF 3.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 19 DEGREES 32’40” EAST ALONG SAID DITCH A DISTANCE OF 182.31 FEET TO A POINT WITNESSED BY A FOUND 1/2 INCH DIAMETER REBAR BEARING SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54’00” WEST A DISTANCE OF 3.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54’00” WEST A DISTANCE OF 545.22 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST BOUNDARY OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER, A FOUND 1/2 INCH DIAMETER REBAR; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 13’20” WEST ALONG SAID WEST BOUNDARY A DISTANCE OF 157.84 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. FURTHER STATED: THERE SHALL BE NO MANUFACTURED HOME ON THIS PROPERTY. 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 SOUTH HALF OF TAX 61 IN 34 3N 4W, MARSING, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DUSTIN S. MORI AND ANGELA L. MORI, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to ALLIANCE TITLE AND ESCROW CORP.,

as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR CONSTRUCTION CAPITAL SOURCE, LC, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 3/20/2007, recorded 3/21/2007, under Instrument No. 260293, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by Residential Credit Solutions, Inc.. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 3/20/2007, FAILURE TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL BALANCE WHICH BECAME DUE AT MATURITY, TOGETHER WITH ACCRUED AND ACCRUING INTEREST, CHARGES, FEES AND COSTS AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of December 21, 2011 Unpaid Principal \$ 60,473.00 Interest \$ 16,558.51 Accrued Late Charges \$ 790.50 Beneficiary Advances: \$ 2,174.63 Suspense Credit: \$ 0.00 TOTAL: \$ 79,996.64 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 \$60,473.00, together with interest thereon at 8.375% per annum from 10/1/2008, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 12/21/2011. ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW CORP. Trustee By: REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION It’s Attorney-in-Fact By: - 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# 4166686
1/18,25;2/1,8/12

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Loan No. xxxxxx1764 T.S. No. 1327413-09 Parcel No. rp00860010030a NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE On May 10, 2012, at the hour of 11:00am, of said day, at In the lobby of owyhee county courthouse, 20381 state hwy 78, , Murphy, Idaho, Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a State or National Bank, a check drawn by a State or Federal Credit Union, or a check drawn by a State or Federal Savings and Loan Association, Savings Association, or Savings Bank, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, state of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: Lot 3, block 1 of purdorn hills subdivision, Owyhee county, idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed as instrument no. 217651, records of owyhee county, idaho. Commonly known as 2377 Lower Pond Ln Homedale Id 83628. Said sale will be made

without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Patric J Shippy and Nova J Shippy Husband And Wife as Grantor, to Pioneer Title Company Of Canyon County, Inc, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of National City Mortgage A Division of National City Bank as Beneficiary, recorded September 19, 2008, as Instrument No. 266279, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due january 1, 2011 of principal and interest and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said deed of trust. The estimated balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$179,340.15, including interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation thereunder or in this sale, and trustee’s fees and/or reasonable attorney’s fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Pioneer Title Company of Ada County 8151 W. Rifleman Street Boise Id 83704 (888)342-2510 Dated: January 09, 2012 Signature/By Pioneer Title Company of Ada County Db a Pioneer Lender Trustee Services. R-401624
1/18, 25;2/1,8/12

RESCHEDULED NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On February 16, 2012, at the hour of 10:00 am of this day (recognized local time), in the Lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho 83650, in the County of Owyhee County, State of Idaho, TitleOne Corporation, an Idaho corporation, as Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash or cashier’s check (cash equivalent), in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale in compliance with Section 45-1506(9) Idaho Code, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

A parcel of land being the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 17, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING AT A 5/8” iron pin marking the Northwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter,

Section 17, T3N, R5W, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho, said iron pin being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING and more particularly described as follows: thence

South 89°28’35” East 1,336.39 feet along the Northerly boundary of the said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 17, to a brass cap marking the Northeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, said Section 17; thence leaving said Northerly boundary

South 0°58’40” West 1,307.49 feet along the Easterly boundary to a 5/8” iron pin marking the Southeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, said Section 17; thence leaving the said Easterly boundary of said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter

North 89°48’01” West 1,331.29 feet along the Southerly boundary of the said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, to a 5/8” iron pin marking the Southwest corner of the said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, said Section 17; thence leaving said Southerly boundary

North 0°45’07” East 1,314.98 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

By reason of the automatic stay provisions of U.S. Bankruptcy Code 11 U.S.C. 362, the original sale was discontinued, and pursuant to provisions of Idaho Code 45-1506(A) this sale is rescheduled and will be conducted as allowed by the expiration or termination of the effect of the stay in the manner provided by that section.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessors office, the address of **2517 Succor Creek Road, Homedale, ID 83628**, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Dennis C. Griffith an unmarried man and Bonnie C. Porter, an unmarried woman, as Grantor(s), to TitleOne Corporation, an Idaho corporation, as Trustee, and Henry Ogden, an unmarried man and Michelle Hurst, an unmarried woman, as Beneficiary, recorded October 8, 2010, as Instrument No. 272623, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho.

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

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, the principal sum of FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$40,000.00) with interest thereon at six percent (6%) per annum from April 1, 2008, until paid in full as set forth on the Note secured by said Deed of Trust. That as of February 24, 2011, the Grantor is \$46,963.29 in arrears. Interest continues to accrue at the rate of six percent (6%) per annum. All amounts are now due and payable, 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 and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Dated: 12/30/2011
T I T L E O N E CORPORATION, By: Amy Wilcoxson/Trust Officer, 868 E. Riverside Drive, Ste 100 Eagle, Idaho 83616 (208) 424-8511/ Order No.: 11201432 Griffith-Porter/ 201101467
1/4,11,18/12

Owyhee County Church Directory

Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale Pastor Silverio Cardenas Jr. 132 W. Owyhee • 337-5975 Servicios: Mar - 7pm - Oracion Mier - 7pm Predicacion, Vier - Oracion Dom - 10am Esc. Dom y 6pm "Una Iglesia Diferente."	Knight Community Church Grand View Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study: Wednesday, 7 p.m. Knight's Neighborhood: (Youth Activity Group) Friday 5-6:30 pm	Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm
Assembly of God Church Homedale 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Pastor George Greenwood Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm	Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 5:30 pm Wednesday CLC: 3:15 pm	Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale - 337-4248 Sunday Services 10am Pastor Sean Rippey Adult Sunday School 9-9:45am Visitors Always Welcome! Call Church for Prayer requests	Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henriouille, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Travis Kraupp Bishop Ronald Spencer Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm
Homedale Baptist Church Homedale 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am-11am Sunday Worship 11am-Noon Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls	 Wilder Church of God Wilder 205 A St. E, 482-7839 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	Mountain View Church of the Nazarene 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm
 MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Espanol	Iglesia Evangelica Wilder 317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	Marsing Church of Christ Marsing 932 Franklin, Marsing Minister Gib Nelson Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am
Christian Church Homedale 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	Bible Missionary Church Homedale West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	Assembly of God Church Marsing 139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm	Nazarene Church Marsing Pastor Bill O'Connor 896-4184 12 2nd Avenue West Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	Trinity Holiness Church Homedale 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop Jensen Sunday 2nd Ward, 12:30 p.m. Bishop Parry	Vision Community Church Marsing 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-896-5407 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.	United Methodist Church Wilder Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor June Fothergill Sunday Services 9:30am
First Presbyterian Church Homedale 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am	Calvary Holiness Church Wilder Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry Open Fridays 10 am - Noon	Seventh Day Adventist Homedale 16613 Garnet Rd., 880-0902 or 453-9289 Pastor Chuck Dimick Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Tuesday Prayer Mtg. 7:00 pm
Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana 2011 Mass Schedule - the following Saturdays at 9:30am Feb.12 - March 12 - April 9 - May 14 - June 11 - July 9 - Aug. 13 Sept. 24 - Oct. 22 - Nov. 26 - Dec. 10 All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031	Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12- 2pm Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508

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Closed GOP primary requires voters to declare affiliations

A new Idaho law requires voters to declare their political party affiliation before they can cast a ballot in May's primary election.

Only people who register with the Republican Party will be allowed to vote in the May 15 GOP primary. Voters of any affiliation, including Republicans, Democrats, Constitutionalists, Libertarians and independents, can vote in the Democratic primary that same day.

With the passage of a law creating closed primaries, Idaho voters must now designate their party affiliation.

This can be accomplished by filling out a new voter registration card, submitting a party affiliation declaration form or declaring a party at the May 15 primary.

Anyone who has not declared a party affiliation by the 2012 Primary Election will be registered as an unaffiliated voter, according to the Secretary of State's office of elections.

There is a March 15 Election Day for political subdivisions, but County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn

said there are no issues planned at this juncture for the Owyhee County ballot.

Voter registration takes place until Feb. 17 then opens again on March 14. The last day to register before the May primary is April 20.

This year's Owyhee County primary election will feature four positions, including District 1 and District 3 commissioners, sheriff and prosecuting attorney.

The candidate filing period for the county races runs from Feb. 27 to March 9.

Incumbents include District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, District 3 Commissioner Joe Merrick, Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery and Sheriff Daryl Crandall.

Crandall has said he will not seek a second term and plans to retire from law enforcement when his four-year stint as Owyhee County's top lawman ends.

To date, only two men have verbally declared their intention to run for sheriff—former deputy Russ Turner and current deputy Perry Grant.

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