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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012** 

### Disaster Auction nets \$80K



Marsing Disaster Auction volunteer Tim Dines talks about a photo from the early years of the Marsing Volunteer Fire Department prior to auctioning the historic photo during the 51st community

### Early results

### \$1 Raffle ticket winners

Half a beef — Jo Thompson

\$250 shopping spree — Russ Lindemann

10-inch Android tablet —

Rich Dines

Wii Game Station — Francis

### \$10 Raffle ticket winners

Washer/dryer — Francis

Rhino gun safe — David

VanWassenhove \$500 — Nick DeRuyter

AR15 — Zachary Yohn

Flat screen TV — Greg

### Raffle sales winners

First — Logan Stansell (fifth grade), \$200

Second — Bailey Bowman (sixth grade), \$100

Third — Joseph Ineck (sixth grade), \$75

- See Page 14 for more photos from the auction

### Road chiefs ask ITD for help with trucks

### Scales could start this week around Homedale

Highway commissioners in Homedale and Marsing could join forces to protect area roads.

The Homedale Highway District board last Wednesday formally requested an Idaho Transportation Department port of entry enforcement team monitor trucks to cut down on damage caused by vehicles laden with manure loads traveling between local dairies and agricultural

Gem Highway District commissioner Jeff Percifield said the Marsing-area group could vote on a similar request at its monthly meeting tonight. The Gem commissioners meet at 7 inside the district office, 1016

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### Same name, new look for Idaho District 23

Owyhee left whole, combined with Elmore, part of Twin Falls

If Jim Patrick and Stephen Hartgen win this election season, they won't represent Owyhee County in the next Legislature.

And, while Bert Brackett will

remain in the new version of District 23, he will have to battle another incumbent to retain his state Senate seat in the Republican primary.

"I had a comfort level with the old District 23 and that arrangement with Twin Falls and Owyhee counties," Brackett said, "but the new District 23 has a lot of the same characteristics.

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### Minor scrapes, no ticket for man who drove into pond

A 40-year-old Caldwell man escaped injury Monday after driving his pickup into the Island Park pond in Marsing.

Forrest Todd Evans apparently drove over the cement embankment separating Main Street from the access road to Island Park and plowed through a railroad tie-PVC pipe barrier and into the water.

Eyewitnesses said Evans had climbed out of his partially submerged 1996 Ford Ranger and was making his way up the bank of the pond when they arrived to help. He drove into the pond around 1:15 p.m.

Responding Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Perry Grant

said no citations were issued and there were no signs that Evans was under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Evans was evaluated by Marsing Ambulance personnel and released at the scene. He did receive scratches from the

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Caldwell's Forrest Todd Evans escaped injury and citation after driving into the Island Park pond in Marsing on Monday.

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### HHS principal selected as IBR Woman of the Year finalist

Being selected as one of 50 community women from throughout the state for the Idaho Business Review's 2012 Women of the Year is a humbling honor for Homedale High School principal Luci Asumendi-Mereness.

"To be recognized among that group as a public school educator makes this even more humbling and amazing," Asumendi-Mereness said. "How can you fathom it? In Homedale at a high school of 350 and to be recognized with some of the top women from around the state in business, it is a tribute to be blessed the way I have been."

The Boise-based Idaho Business Review publication received 180 nominations for this year's award, and Asumendi-Mereness said she was required to fill out an extensive application.

"There was a lot that went into the application after I was nominated," she said. "I had to submit my resume along with answers to some essay questions. It was pretty extensive."

With nominees from large corporations, law firms, banks and universities and colleges, Asumendi-Mereness is overwhelmed with how special the recognition is.

"It is a foot in both worlds," she said. "This is very special. This honor really shines a light on Homedale and the successes the

has enjoyed more than it is about me. This is a validation of what has been accomplished here within the schools and community." Asumendi-



Mereness

Mereness said outside of her family, Homedale superintendent Tim Rosandick was the next person on her list she notified after she was

selected as a finalist. "It is well deserved," Rosandick said. "We are proud she earned this in conjunction of working for the Homedale School District. Luci is tenacious. I think the district is very fortunate to have her in a leadership role."

Being taken from her element, Asumendi-Mereness was required to attend a photo shoot in a "very upscale" Boise foothills home.

"It was interesting," she said. "There was a table full of every make-up product you could think of. There were hairstylists and make-up artists there to help get you all glammed up. I just went in and got my photo taken."

The one request organizers made before the photo session of the 50 women was to bring their favorite pair of shoes. Through

a partnership with the Women's and Children's Alliance, the photos of shoes will be decorated and displayed at the banquet on Feb. 21 at the Boise Centre on the Grove to raise money for the organization.

"My family wouldn't let me take my favorite shoes, my Keens," she said. "They are comfortable, and I can be in them all day. I had to take my second favorite (a pair of slip-on dress shoes) for the photo shoot."

At an \$80-per-person dinner, Asumendi-Mereness will have an opportunity to spend time with her family who will join her for the black-tie event.

"I have no thoughts of being named the Woman of the Year," she said. "It is just an honor.

"When I think of the other 49 and what they might do day-in and day-out, I get to spend my day with kids. I can't imagine anything else. It is hard to think of anything else that can be as rewarding and fulfilling as being an educator. God's been pretty amazing and blessed me immensely."

The Idaho Business Review will announce the 2012 Woman of the Year during the banquet and recognize each of the women selected as finalists.

Each of the women will be featured in the Feb. 24 issue of the IBR.



Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Perry Grant helps remove the body of Kelly Verceles from a Marsing-area home Wednesday.

### Alleged burglar found dead at mob man's Marsing home

### Kelly Verceles was scheduled to change plea

A 41-year-old Marsing man who was scheduled to appear on felony criminal conspiracy and burglary charges on Friday was found dead in the home he supposedly burglarized.

Kelly Theodore Verceles was found with a single gunshot wound to the head on Feb. 1 at the Hogg Road home outside of Marsing that mobster Enrico Ponzo — aka Jay Shaw — used to live in.

Verceles was living in the home at the time of his death.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Perry Grant said the investigation is continuing, but foul play is not suspected.

"It appears to be a suicide and that he died of a single gunshot wound to the head," Grant said.

Grant said a friend of the family who went to check on Verceles notified Owyhee County dispatch when they couldn't contact

Following the incident, nearby residents said they saw an increased law enforcement presence at the home.

According to court records, Verceles was scheduled to appear before District Court judge Molly J. Huskey on Friday at 9 a.m. for a change of plea hearing.

Verceles along with two Meridian men — Robert Corson, and his son Nicholas — were arrested in April and accused of stealing more than \$100,000 in cash, gold and diamond jewelry from a safe sealed in a cement floor at the house.

The Corsons are currently scheduled for separate status hearings on Feb. 24 for their alleged involvement.

Court documents show the three men discussed the presence of the safe and conspired to enter the home to remove the items. The documents also show the three men discussed what tools would be necessary to break through the concrete floor and cut open the safe.

Ponzo lived in Marsing for nearly 10 years. In February 2011, federal agents arrested him after they discovered his whereabouts. He was listed on the FBI's website, along with 14 other suspects, for his alleged involvement in organized crime in the Boston area.

--JLZ





### Ranchers demand clarity on crossing permits

### BLM answers some questions at OCA winter meet

The county's cattlemen formally spoke out on the crossing permit issue Saturday in Oreana.

As expected, the Bureau of Land Management's attempt to require permits and consequently separate environmental assessments for the movement of cattle was the focal topic of discussion during the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association winter meeting inside the Oreana Community Hall.

The cattlemen unanimously passed a resolution after a lengthy discussion and question-and-answer forum with Boise District manager Aden Seidlitz and other BLM officials.

Seidlitz said issuance of crossing permits became a priority in the wake of a court settlement with Western Watersheds Project pertaining to the Jarbidge Resource Area. In the settlement, the BLM agreed to perform analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act, which requires public notification when a permit application is filed.

"In Idaho, with our history of litigation, it was clear that if we didn't do a NEPA (analysis), we could run the risk of losing trailing," Seidlitz said.

The OCA resolution calls for:

• A clear explanation of the circumstances that would require a crossing permit to move livestock across public grazing land. If BLM cannot come up with an explanation, the cattlemen want Congress to do it.

Seidlitz told the cattlemen that a permit is required whenever ranchers have to cross an allotment to get to another allotment, but it is not required if the livestock are trailed down a maintained road.

- The BLM to continue issuing crossing permits where necessary in accordance with congressional mandate within recent appropriations legislation.
- An amendment from the floor by rancher Tim Lowry also pointed out that previous legislation such as the Taylor Grazing Act and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the *Hage v. U.S.* case in the U.S. Court of Claims established property rights for ranchers who hold grazing permits for public lands, complete with due process and compensation if the rights are denied.
- Legislative action from the Idaho Congressional delegation to assure that issuance of crossing permits is explicitly exempt from environmental analysis until at

least 2014.

Currently the legislative rider attached to the appropriations bill is supposed to exempt crossing permits from the National Environmental Policy Act regulation for an EA, but the cattlemen's resolution asserts that the BLM is working under the impression that the wording of the rider doesn't exempt NEPA analysis in 2012 and 2013.

Seidlitz said that the congressional rider only cuts out the appeal process, sending any protests directly to U.S. District Court, meaning that when the BLM issues a decision on a permit application there will be no delay in the ranchers' ability to use the land

The cattlemen also demanded a clear definition of both trailing permits and crossing permits. Some think the BLM is using the distinctively different terms interchangeably, which is causing confusion. The ranchers say that federal grazing regulations define trailing as the act of moving cattle along a legal and maintained public road, while crossing is the movement of livestock across an allotment for the purpose of getting to another pasture.

During Saturday's discussion, ranchers such as Jordan Valley's Dennis Stanford pointed out that a crossing permit is redundant because the activity is an integral part of meeting the requirements of their grazing permits, which is another point made in the resolution. Ranchers also said the EAs for crossing permits are unnecessary because the environmental studies done during the issuance of a grazing permit already examine the impact of livestock movement.

Seidlitz said the agency may try to address the issue as part and parcel of future grazing permit renewals

"We're still trying to decide what to do long-term, but that's what makes sense," he said.

The OCA resolution also said current grazing regulations make a crossing permit unnecessary in the case of moving livestock across public land in a manner that doesn't require an overnight stay. The cattlemen say that there is no quantifiable use of forage in such a crossing, negating the need for a permit.

"I don't view this as a huge issue resources-wise," Seidlitz said, "but it is just something we need to get through to cover our bases"

The ranchers aren't completely against crossing permits. The resolution concedes that a permit may be required if livestock are trailed for purposes other than compliance with grazing authorized in a permit, and when measurable grazing occurs because of an overnight stay on public grazing land.

Seidlitz said that the BLM already has requested livestock crossing needs from public lands ranchers. The objective is to find out how far cattle must be moved and the number of animals in each instance.

"One of the benefits we're hoping for with our approach is we'll have most cases analyzed and be able to refer back to the (NEPA) document and have your permits to you fairly quickly," he said.

BLM Idaho State Office Supervisory Resource Management Specialist Kurt Wiedenmann cleared up one

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issue when he told rancher Connie Brandau that no public notice would be required if an emergency such as fire or drought forced a sudden change in grazing rotations and animals had to be moved immediately.

Whether BLM will be forced to determine the amount of forage used (through the Animal Unit Monthly formula) on a short-term crossing also was brought up. Stanford said the permittees already are paying for the AUMs that they will use when they pay for their grazing permits.

"You're right, we wouldn't double bill you, but we would probably put in an authorization so we can tell people you're doing

Bureau of Land Management Boise District manager Aden Sedlitz faces questions on the crossing permit issue during Saturday's Owyhee Cattlemen's Association winter meeting in Oreana.

it (crossing)," Bruneau Field Manager Arnie Pike said.

And how to issue AUMs if none remain for a particular grazing area is another issue, although the ranchers say that AUMs for crossing already are built in to their grazing permits.

In the end, the discussion boiled down to BLM is following this path to avoid future legal run-ins with the likes of WWP.

"I think the biggest key with the world we live in and the interests that are out there is we just need to be able to say, 'Yes, they are allowed to be out there'," Pike said.

— JPB



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### Cattlemen may hand pickup raffle to Idaho Cattle Assoc.

Dwindling profit, coordinator's departure play part in vote

A couple of factors have led the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association to consider handing off its truck raffle to the state ranchers organization.

Faced with dwindling revenue for the Owyhee Cattlemen's Heritage Fund (OCHF) and the retirement of pickup raffle coordinator Chris Collett, the OCA membership voted to let

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explore taking over operation of the annual fundraiser.

The raffle marked its 15th anniversary last year.

Brad Huff, OCHF secretary, made the report during Saturday's OCA winter meeting at Oreana Community Hall.

He reported that the 2011 Dodge pickup giveaway netted \$3,400.56 after expenses of \$34,000 for the pickup, \$1,900 for the beef prize and \$360 for printing. Tickets are sold for \$100 each, and last year's raffle grossed — with tickets and other donations — \$39,723.

"I honestly believe that without Chris in charge of the raffle, it's not going to make even the \$3,400," former OCA president Doug Rutan said.

Huff reported that the pickup raffle netted \$24,000 in 2003, but has brought only \$14,200 into the

the Idaho Cattle Association multiple use defense fund in the past three years combined.

> Afterward, the cattlemen voted to give ICA the opportunity to take over the raffle, with a percentage of the proceeds coming back to the Owyhee group. ICA past president Charlie Lyons said he would take the proposal to the state organization's board of directors.

> The OCHF also benefits from annual contributions by the Jordan Valley Rodeo Association. Vern Kershner handed OCA president Matt Tindall a check for \$8,000 on Saturday accounting for the rodeo board's contribution based on its 2011 four-wheeler raffle.

> The Jordan Valley Rodeo Association also donated \$8,000 to the Malheur County multipleuse defense fund.

> > — JPB



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### From page



Sheriff's Deputy Perry Grant listens to eyewitnesses as the driver of the submerged pickup truck sits on the curbing.

### √ **Pond:** Road barrier suffers about \$500 damage

deployment of the driver's side embankment and lost control," airbag.

Evans told Grant that he had just left the park after a morning

"He was leaving and decided to turn back around, but it was too late and he went over the

Grant said.

City of Marsing officials told Grant that replacing the fence would cost about \$500, which will be covered by Evans' automobile insurance.

— JPB

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### $\sqrt{\text{Trucks:}}$ Commissioners seek unified front to save districts' roadways

Main St., in Marsing

"We should work with Gem to have a bigger area to catch the certain few in between," Homedale Subdistrict 3 Commissioner Scott Salutregui said while making the motion to petition ITD. The motion carried unanimously after a second from Subdistrict 2 Commissioner John Demshar and a vote that included Subdistrict 1 Commissioner and board chair Larry Prow.

Demshar also asked District 2 County Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi to consider adding County Road Districts 1 and 3 to the petition. Aberasturi, who attended the meeting, said he would take the request to the Board of County Commissioners.

"Working in conjunction will mean more, I think," Demshar said.

Setting weight and speed restrictions as well as establishing seasonal road breakup limitations also were discussed, but no action was taken. Directors anticipate manure trucks soon will begin a heavy rotation of hauling with spring approaching.

"These guys are going broke trying to keep the roads going," Aberasturi said of the highway directors. "I know the dairymen are going to be upset about this, but they'll be more upset if it's gravel road, and it's pretty clear to see that the roads are being damaged from these trucks."

Owyhee County Prosecutor Douglas D. Emery also attended the meeting to give his take on the state law that allows road districts to seek court-ordered restitution for damaged roads.

The highway district would have to catalog road conditions and collect weight and speed data and then request the prosecutor



start the court proceedings.

Emery did warn that the condition of roads already damaged by 15 years of dairymen hauling manure could make proving causation difficult in some cases.

Salutregui said that the state will bring portable scales, and an Idaho State Police trooper will be on hand to issue citations. The enforcement could be in place by the end of the week, he said.

A formal letter from the highway board is all it takes to put the wheels in motion, ITD District 3 Port of Entry Area Supervisor Craig LaChance said.

"We have not been on your roads before because we haven't had a formal request," he said.

Salutregui said that misinformation led to the directors' perception that the state couldn't do anything about the heavy loads that have caused extensive damage to district roads for years. The directors used a request letter from Bingham County as a template.

### How it works

The Idaho Transportation
Department has
enforcement agreements
with several road districts
throughout the state.

ITD spokesman Reed Hollinshead said the enforcement team is comprised of ITD Point of Entry rovers who work with troopers from the Idaho State Police's Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance and dyed-fuel enforcement personnel from the Internal Revenue Service.

LaChance told the highway directors that enforcement could entail citations for overweight loads, safety equipment violations, brake failure and even littering.



Above: A law enforcement official inspects the brakes of a semi at an Idaho Transportation checkpoint in Idaho City. Left: Boise County sheriff's deputies inspect a truck at an Idaho Transportation Department checkpoint in Idaho City. Photos courtesy ITD

LaChance said a semi with faulty brakes is impounded at the scale site.

"A farm vehicle doesn't have to have brakes," he told the board. "But if we find a 10-wheeler with no brakes, we're going to stop it right there and he'll have to call Les Schwab and we'll make him fix it."

ITD has run portable scales at the junction of Idaho highway 55 and U.S. Highway 95 in the past, LaChance said. Aberasturi said similar scales operations have been carried out on state highways in the Bruneau-Grand View area, too.

Truck operators also are responsible for keeping the roadway clean, LaChance said. Littering citations can be written if manure sloshes onto the asphalt. The same goes for trucks that bring excessive mud onto the roadway after delivering payloads to be spread in area fields.

The slimy manure and mud

creates a slippery road hazard that some believe led to at least one serious car crash in the Homedale district in recent years.

LaChance said that trucks will be stopped at the scales and the weight of the vehicle will be checked against the maximum weight that the truck is licensed to carry.

He said that a quirky bit of Idaho law allows farmers to carry more weight on local roads — up to 37,800 pounds — than on the Interstate highway system (34,000 pounds), which was engineered to handle more severe hauling demands.

He also warned that changing the law wouldn't be easy because as written now it benefits the farmers using the local roads.

The ITD enforcement also will bring checks for dyed fuel, which is illegal to burn on public roads.

"When that happens, there's going to be some screaming," Aberasturi said. — JPB





### Marsing FFA shines at district

by Becky Carter Chapter reporter

On Feb. 1, five Marsing FFA chapter members represented Marsing at the district competition in Kuna.

Aaron Draper represented us in the FFA Creed speaking contest and placed first.

Becky Carter, Deidrie Briggs, Grayson Kendall and Evon Timmons all took their state degree test. The test consisted of a FFA history test and a parliamentary procedure test. They had to pass both tests with a 60 percent or better. In order to qualify for the state degree, they also had to keep a record book for four years on their SAE projects.

Carter's SAE project was the dairy heifer project. There were two lamb SAE projects shown by Briggs and Kendall. The last SAE project shown by Timmons was diversified livestock project.

Cody Rhodes participated in the extemporaneous speaking contest. In this contest, he got to choose from two topics that the judges gave him. Then, he got 30 minutes to prepare a four to six minute speech. He placed third at the district level in the competition.

All members worked very hard on each competition and represented the Marsing community very well.



Marsing FFA State Degree recipients were, from left, Becky Carter, Deidrie Briggs, Evon Timmons and Grayson Kendall. Submitted photo

### **Honor roll**

### Homedale High School

#### First semester Seniors

4.0 grade-point average — Adams, Anthony J., Calzacorta, Justine R., Eaton, Katie L., Emry, Deena A., Farwell, Kyline N., Flaming, Ashley O., Gonzalez, Rachel M., Kelly, Raven D., Kushlan, Kylie S., Matteson, Lane M., Mavey, Laurien D., Nash, Aubrey L., and Price, Katie R.

**3.99 to 3.5** — Lynde, Cody M., 3.857; Salazar, Angel, 3.857; Cook, Amanda M., 3.833; Hetrick, Nichole M., 3.833; Johnson, Clay M., 3.8; Leslie, Ashley M., 3.8; Lowder, Zachary T., 3.8; Gardner, Carissa D., 3.714; Vega, Brenda, 3.714; Harris, Nateasha R., 3.571; Ryska, Brett M., 3.571; and Christiansen, Dominic M., 3.5

**3.49 to 3.0** — Corta, Trey B., 3.429; Purdom, Kyle S., 3.429; Christoffersen, Casey G., 3.4; Sutterfield, Nicholas R., 3.4; Hyer, Bodie L., 3.333; Kudlo, Hannah I., 3.333; Prado Martinez, Wendy, 3.333; Chase, Austin L., 3.286; Kerzel, Luise, 3.286; Parker, Jessica M., 3.286; Villanueva Cortez, Tony, 3.286; Gallagher Hernandez, Holly N., 3.2; Luna,

Nicole A., 3.143; Folwell, Brian Whitney A., 3.5 S., 3.0; and Hernandez, Jorge, 3.0

#### **Juniors**

4.0 GPA — Brady, Jordan L.; Hann, Emilee B.; Keller, Nicole M.; Maggard, Steven R.; McRae, Shelby; Murray, Jacob O.; Sanchez, Veronica I.; Schamber, Corbin J.; Twedt, Cole R.; and Vance, Randol A.

3.99 to 3.5 — McMichael, Mackenzie M., 3.857; Nash, Gabrielle N., 3.857; Pollard, Jaden L., 3.857; Krzesnik, Hayden S., 3.833; Mavey, Mikel D., 3.833; Montes, Cayetano, 3.833; Shenk, Erin M., 3.833; Esparza, Debra A., 3.714; Farnetti, Carli M., 3.714; Mackie, Mariah K., 3.714; Uriarte, Brenda, 3.714; Villarreal, Stephanie, 3.714; Wright, Nadine O., 3.714; Eiguren, Kade J., 3.667; Romriell, Heather, 3.667; Albor, Elizabeth, 3.571; Barbosa, Alfonso A. 3.571; Evans, Robert S., 3.571; Hicks, Leavell S., Martinez, Jacqueline A., 3.571; Ryska, Nicholas J., 3.571; Abbott,

3.49 to 3.0 — Kandler, Fonnie D., 3.429; Van Wassenhove-Criffield, Shelbie D., 3.429; Coffman, Rebecca M., 3.333; Love, Gage, 3.333; Neri, Gustavo A., 3.333; Gaeta, Dayara I., 3.286; Troxel, Caitlin J.; Vasquez, Ana S., 3.286; Albor, Perla, 3.167; Rice, Ariana E., 3.167; Albor, Graviela, 3.143; Aberasturi, Hailee R., 3.0; Contreras, Joel, 3.0; Greeley, Robert A., 3.0; and Hernandez, Marcelino X., 3.0

#### Sophomores

**4.0 GPA** — Albor, Leslie; Aman, Lydia M.; Hyer, Tell R.; Lane, Trey B.; Lee, Shelby A.; Lejardi, Esteban J.; Long, Destiny N.; Sanchez, Eric C.; Thatcher, Kathryn C.; and Vega, Edmy

**3.99 to 3.5** — Chavez, Lizett, 3.857; Jones, Jedidiah, 3.857; Muller, Noelle A., 3.857; Hill, Mykal V., 3.714; Martin, Alissa D., 3.714; Cardenas, Benjamin J., 3.571; Gray, Trisha M., 3.571; 3.571; Jeppe, Cole R., 3.571; Rice, Abigail M., 3.571; and Kilby, Brennyn E., 3.5

**3.49 to 3.0** — Deal, Katie Alexandra A., 3.5; and Uria, A., 3.429; Flaming, Luke J.,

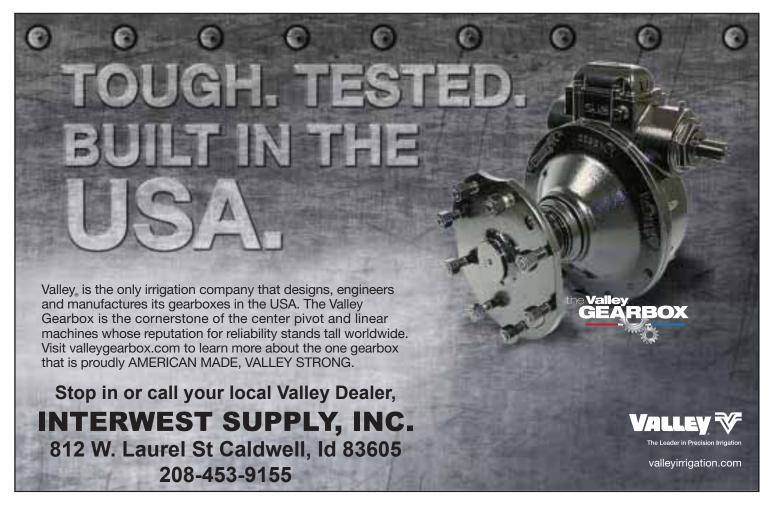
3.429; Kushlan, Haley E., 3.429; Noblit, Emileen I., 3.429; Rupp, Kaylee N., 3.429; Steinmetz, Cheyenne N., 3.429; Aguilera, Stephanie, 3.333; Brandhagen, Cameron D., 3.286; Cardenas, Angel E., 3.286; Moore, Logan T., 3.286; Vega, Brenda V., 3.286; Castro, Maria D., 3.167; Eubanks, Britt A., 3.167; Hall, Quincy D., 3.167; Craft, Lauren C., 3.143; Gonzalez, Dora I., 3.143; Gonzalez, Oswaldo, 3.143; Padilla, Cristian, 3.143; Hart, Juliana L., 3.0; Hotchkiss, Adam J., 3.0; Hurtado, Stephanie, 3.0; Maxwell, Madelon R., 3.0; and Vega, Larry C., 3.0

### Freshmen

4.0 GPA — Bowman, Sierra K.; Chavez, Andrea D.; Cornwall, Justine N.; Egurrola, Alec J.; Mertz, Harriet K.; Nash, Victoria B.; Phariss, Delaney M.; and Renteria, Sierra B.

**3.99 to 3.5** — Morris, Kerigan J., 3.857; Pippen, Paige A., 3.857; Salazar, Miguel A., 3.857; Shenk, Elise A., 3.857; Aguilera, Amos R., 3.714; Castro, Michelle M., 3.714; Fogg, Isabelle C., 3.714; Fry, Quinton L., 3.714; Landa, Kyler J., 3.714; Montejano, Miguel V., 3.714; Nash, Morgan E., 3.714; Purdom, Carlie M., 3.714; Dixon, Sarah L., 3.571; Hernandez, Jennifer M., 3.571; Johnson, Chase R., 3.571; Randall, Andrew C., 3.571; Silva, Daniel S., 3.571; and Zenor, Vanessa N.,

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### Watershed council meets

The Owyhee Watershed Council meets today in Marsing.

The meeting begins at 4 p.m. at the Lizard Butte Public Library, 111 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. W., in Marsing.

For more information, call the OWC office in Adrian, Ore., at (541) 372-5782.

# Death

ANTHONY J. BEAGLEY. 20, a 2010 Marsing High School graduate, died at his Caldwell home on Monday, Jan. 30, 2012. A viewing was held Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2012 at Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Graveside services were held Friday, Feb. 3, 2012 at Peaceful Valley Cemetery.

### 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

#### **Homedale Senior Center board meeting**

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

#### After-school program

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

### Owyhee Watershed Council meeting

4 p.m., Lizard Butte Public Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (541) 372-5782

#### **Homedale City Council meeting**

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

#### **Marsing City Council meeting**

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

#### **Grand View City Council meeting**

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

#### Gem Highway District board meeting

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

#### Thursday

#### Rimrock quilting group

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

#### Owyhee Gardeners monthly meeting

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

#### **Vision Church food distribution**

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

### **Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting**

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

### Friday

### Stroke and osteoporosis screening

Pre-registration required, \$159 and up, Homedale Senior Citizens Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (877) 237-1287

### **Grand View Lions Club meeting**

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

#### Saturday

#### Homedale Idol band fundraiser

6 p.m., Entry: \$5. Admission: \$2 adults, \$1 students, Homedale High School auxiliary gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave.

#### Senior center dance

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

#### Rimrock Senior Center Valentine Dinner

6 p.m., \$8 adults, \$15 couples, \$7 seniors, \$4 11 and younger, Rimrock Senior Center, 425 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2171 or (208) 834-2252

#### Marsing Lions benefit bingo

6:45 p.m., early bird game; 7 p.m., regular start, \$15 first card, \$5 second, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing. (208) 896-4162

#### Sunday

#### **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

#### **Moms Night Out**

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

#### Monday

#### **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

#### Homedale School board meeting

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

### Tuesday

### Eastern Owyhee Library Board meeting

4 p.m., Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

### Gem Highway District board meeting

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

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#### **Homedale Senior Center**

Feb. 8: Ham/cheese sandwich, potatoes, ambrosia salad

Feb. 9: Beef & broccoli noodles, bread

Feb. 14: Baked chicken, potatoes/gravy, broccoli, bread

Feb. 15: Hot dog, potato, salad, peaches

Feb. 16: Beef & bean burrito, refried beans, rice

Feb. 21: Baked ham, sweet potato fries, green beans, bread

#### **Marsing Senior Center**

Feb. 8: BBQ pork on bun, coleslaw, potato wedges, blueberry, fruit, peanut butter cookies

Feb. 9: Peppy pepper steak, divine rice, mixed green salad, bread, pear salad

Feb. 13: Breakfast buffet, eggs & bacon

Feb. 14: Ham w/sweet cherry sauce, herb roasted tomatoes, baked sweet potatoes, apples, whole wheat bread, ambrosia salad

Feb. 15: Stuffed shells, Italian blend veggies, marinated mushrooms, mixed green salad, garlic bread, tropical fruit salad

Feb. 16: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, spinach, fruit, cake Feb. 20: Holiday

### **Rimrock Senior Center**

Feb. 9: Beef pot roast, potatoes, carrots, salad, muffin, pudding Feb. 14: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad, garlic bread, peach cobbler

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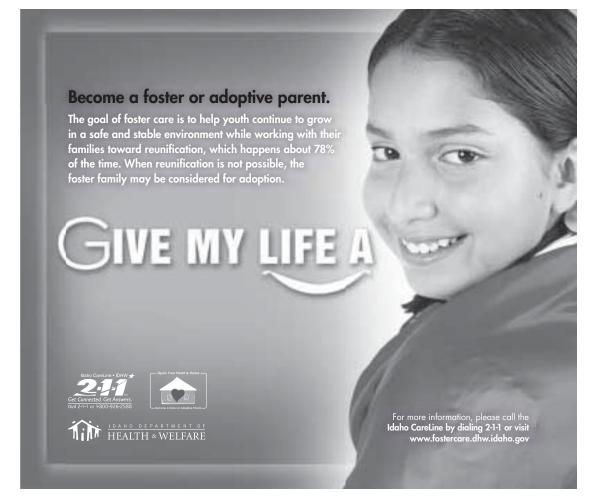
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### School menus

#### **Homedale Elementary**

Feb. 8: Chicken patty or rib-b-que sandwich, French fries, fruit,

Feb. 9: Enchilada or corn dog, scalloped potatoes, fruit, brownie

Feb 10: Cheese pizza or PB&J, tossed salad, fruit, cookie

Feb. 13: Sloppy Joe or hot dog, tots, fruit, pudding

Feb. 14: Nachos or pizza hot pocket, veggies, fruit, cinnamon breadstick

Feb. 15: Hamburger or oven fried chicken, baked beans, fruit, sugar

Feb. 16: Chicken & noodles or tuna sandwich, peas, fruit, goldfish

Feb. 17: Fish nuggets or burrito, Spanish rice, green beans, fruit, fruit snack

#### **Homedale Middle**

Feb. 8: Enchilada or chicken & noodles, corn, fruit & veggie bar,

Feb. 9: Nachos or baked potato, fruit & veggie bar, rice krispie

Feb 10: Chicken tenders or baked ham, mashed potatoes/gravy,

Feb. 13: Hamburger or hot dog, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar,

Feb. 14: Chicken nuggets or egg rolls, rice, broccoli, fruit, fortune

Feb. 15: Burrito or fish sandwich, corn, veggie bar, apple crisp

Feb. 16: Spaghetti or philly steak/cheese hot pocket, tossed salad, bread stick, fruit

Feb. 17: Pizza or popcorn chicken, tossed salad, fruit, cookie

### **Homedale High**

Feb. 8: Enchilada or pizza hot pocket, mixed veggies, fruit & salad

Feb. 9: Chicken patty, hamburger or cheese burger, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar, sherbet cup

Feb 10: Crispito or rib-b-que, corn, taco salad, fruit bar

Feb. 13: Pepperoni pizza, philly steak/cheese hot pocket or chef salad, fruit bar, strawberry shortcake

Feb. 14: Beef nuggets or chicken filet, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll,

Feb. 15: Lasagna or pizza hot pocket, string cheese, French bread,

Feb. 16: Toasted cheese sandwich, chicken patty or deli sandwich, soup, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar, turnover

### Marsing

Feb. 8: Spaghetti, beef nuggets, mixed vegetables, roll, soup &

Feb. 9: Pepperoni pizza, PB&J, tossed salad, salad bar

Feb 10: Hot dog, chicken nuggets, steamed carrots, salad bar

Feb. 13: Beef taco, chicken sandwich, mixed vegetables, soup & salad bar, pudding

Feb. 14: Burrito, steamed carrots, hamburger/bun, tater tots, soup & salad bar

Feb. 15: Pepperoni pizza, baked potato, tossed salad w/ranch, soup & salad bar, rice krispie treat

Feb. 16: Teriyaki chicken bowl, mixed vegetables, sandwiched, potato chips, soup & salad bar

### Bruneau

Feb. 8: Turkey & noodles, tossed salad, peas, wheat roll/jelly, strawberry shortcake

Feb. 9: Soft shell taco, Spanish rice, corn, fresh fruit salad

Feb 10: Weiner wraps, tots, fresh veggies, fresh fruit, cookie

Feb. 14: Pizza, tossed salad, corn, pineapple

Feb. 15: Chicken wrap, fried rice, stir fry veggie, mandarin oranges, chocolate cake

Feb. 16: Haystacks, refried beans, green beans, fruit cup, cinnamon

### **COSSA**

Feb. 8: Navajo taco, lettuce/tomato, refried beans, fresh oranges &

Feb. 9: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, bread, peaches

Feb 10: Pizza, salad, fresh veggies, pineapple

Feb. 13: BBO pork/bun, pasta salad, fresh veggies, tropical fruit

Feb. 14: Chili w/baked potato, corn bread, fresh oranges & apples Feb. 15: Grilled ham & cheese sandwich, sun chips, fresh veggies,

Feb. 16: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes/gravy, cauliflower, bread,

Feb. 17: Crispitos, corn, refried beans, pears, corn chips

### All ages welcome to Rimrock seniors' Valentine dinner

### Tuesday Quilters raffle

### queen-size quilt Saturday, too

of the biggest annual fundraisers for the Rimrock Senior Center in Grand View.

The annual Valentine Dinner will be held at 6 p.m. on Saturday at the senior center, 425 Main St.

Tickets for the roast beef dinner and live music are \$8 for adults, \$15 for a couple, \$7 for senior citizens and \$4 for children younger than 12.

For more information, call Willie Roby at (208) 834-2171, Vera Lea Jayo at (208) 834-2252 or any member of the senior center's board of directors.

The Tuesday Quilters will hold a drawing Saturday for a queen-size hand-embroidered quilt featuring

Tickets are on sale now for one a top with a cross-stitch design. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. For tickets, contact Jackie Lucas at (208) 834-2313, Ann Hency at (208) 834-2036 or call the senior center at (208) 834-2808.

> Lucas said the drawing will take place at 8 p.m. Saturday at the senior center.

> The quilt is one of two that the Tuesday Quilters create each year to benefit the senior center. The ladies also build a quilt to raffle during the center's holiday

> The group also donates quilts to other causes throughout the valley.

"We just enjoy quilting," Lucas said.

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### Classes offered at Lizard **Butte Library next month**

Creative writing, babysitting, computer classes scheduled

The Lizard Butte Library is will receive instruction from 4-H taking reservations for three classes that will begin in March.

A six-week creative writing class will start on March 6, and will focus on writing habits, story elements, description and dialogue. The class taught by Samantha Jensen will cost \$15. The class will be held each Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the library.

An all-day babysitting class will be offered for youth 12 and older on April 14. The class will cost \$10. Those interested in participating in the class are encouraged to register early.

The start time for the babysitting

leader Ann Dallas and materials to take home at the end of the day.

In June, John Barenberg will teach a five-week computer class focusing on Microsoft Office and Google Docs.

The first class will be held on June 4 and begin at 6:30 p.m. the course will cost \$50.

For more information on any of the classes or to register, contact the library at (208) 896-4690 or by e-mail at lizardbuttelibrary@ yahoo.com. Those wishing to register can also stop by the library located at 111 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave.



## Middle school student removed after threat

School, law enforcement officials still investigating situation

Following a threat made by a student at Homedale Middle School, superintendent Tim Rosandick is looking at what can be done differently next time.

On Jan. 24, an employee of the middle school notified principal Amy Winters of a comment made by a student about bringing a weapon to school. After the threat, school officials began investigating the situation that evening.

"As soon as it was reported, Amy started investigating," Rosandick said. "At that time, the decision was made to suspend the student from school until the investigation was complete."

Rosandick said the investigation included not only school officials, but the Homedale Police Department.

"This is the first time in my seven years here that we have dealt with an event like this," Rosandick said. "The allegations got to the public very quickly and parents were understandably concerned. What we once thought was an improbable event is now somewhat of a reality."

Following Winters' initial investigation and contact with parents who called the school the next day, the school sent out an email to parents notifying them of the situation.

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"Until this is resolved, the student will remain off-campus," Rosandick said. "Anytime a student has violated the schools' conduct code, especially when it involves the health and safety of students and staff, we will remove them from the school."

Rosandick said he is certain when the time comes, Winters along with other staff will use this situation as a learning experience for the entire middle school.

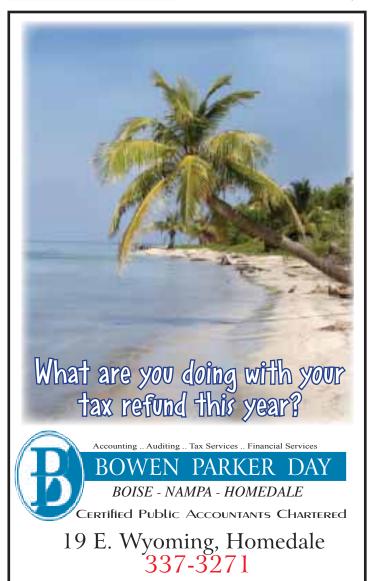
Earlier in the month, Rosandick said there was an issue with a student who was caught with drugs in the school, prompting school officials to suspend that student as well.

"It is irresponsible for the school officials to call law enforcement for everything that happens. We have to use our best judgment and work with the officers as needed," Rosandick said. "We will contact law enforcement immediately if events similar to this happen again. It is really important for law enforcement and school officials to support each other, and that is what we are striving for."

Rosandick said the school trustees have demonstrated their responsibility to the students and parents, making sure the schools are a safe place and ensuring that the appropriate action is taken in every situation.

"The board has been just in affording students who have been removed the ability to earn their way back into the regular school setting," Rosandick said.

— JLZ



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### $\sqrt{\text{District 23:}}$ At least two new reps on way

"It's smaller town and rural, so some of the issues are similar to the old 23."

Two weeks ago, the second incarnation of the Idaho Citizen Commission for Reapportionment finalized a legislative map able to pass muster with the state and federal constitutions.

Unlike with the plan the Idaho Supreme Court rejected after a challenge from several counties included Owyhee, Plan L93 kept Owyhee County whole while combining it with all of Elmore County and an oddly shaped piece of western Twin Falls County encompassing Castleford, Filer and a portion of Buhl.

"Because (District 23 is) with three different counties, it still will help us have some kind of a say in what's going on," District 2 County Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi said.

The Board of County Commissioners feared that Owyhee County citizens would lose their political voice to more densely populated and urban areas if the original reapportionment plan was allowed to stand.

"For us, it was a good deal, mainly because they didn't split the county," Aberasturi said of the reapportionment panel's final plan.

Aberasturi said that retaining the western part of Twin Falls County is beneficial because it has a shared interest with Owyhee County in the plight of the Jarbidge Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

The reconfiguration, however, will mean some changes in the representatives currently standing up for Owyhee County come next January.

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Classifieds!

State Sen. Tim Corder (R-Mountain Home) already had been contacting Owyhee County constituents because under the original, unconstitutional plan he was placed in a district that would have represented part of Owyhee County.

Now, the trucking company owner still may represent Owyheeans at the Statehouse in Boise, but he'll have to get past Brackett, a Rogerson Republican and a rancher, to do it.

"Until I know a little bit more about Tim Corder, I would not make any opinion until I find out how he votes and whether he is a true representative of conservative values and conservative ideas and doesn't make rash decisions," Aberasturi said.

Corder does sit on the Senate Agriculture Committee, while Brackett is a member of the Resources and Environment committee.

Brackett is comfortable with the addition of Elmore County because of his previous experience with the Air Force training grounds in Owyhee County as well as contacts with trade associations and government agencies that also do business north of the Snake River.

Representatives in the new District 23 would include Elmore County politicians Rich Wills (R-Glenns Ferry) and Pete Nielsen (R-Mountain Home). Wills chairs the House Judiciary, Rules & Administration committee and also sits on the Education and Transportation & Defense committees. Nielsen joins Wills on Judiciary, Rules & Administration, and he also serves on the Education committee and the Environment, Energy & Technology committee.

"I spent three years in the House before the Senate, so those are the first ones I became acquainted with," Brackett said. "They're well-respected and good legislators, and I think they'll work well (with the new district)."

Hartgen will move into District 25, which includes the City of Twin Falls.

"While not ideal, the new map is far better than the previous plan," Hartgen said. "It preserves representation for rural areas better, and although I was put into the 'city' district, I won't vary from my conservative, prudent and traditional values in representation."

Hartgen says he's willing to fight for Owyhee County even after the reapportionment takes hold.

"Owyhee County is unique in Idaho, and it has been a real pleasure to represent this area," he said. "I hope Owyhee County people will think of me as 'one of their own' and call on me for support for their interests in the future.

"We'd be a better nation, that's for sure, if more of America was more like Owyhee County in values, hard work and respect for hard work and self-reliance."

Patrick has decided to run for the vacant District 25 state Senate seat rather than run against Republican colleagues for a House seat.

"Due to the fact I was placed against Maxine Bell and Sharon Block, I decided to run for an open seat in Jerome and Twin Falls counties," Patrick said. "This is a terrible plan but better than the last.

"I have enjoyed representing Owyhee County and will need to work hard to win a Senate seat in Jerome County."

Until the next Legislature convenes 11 months from now, though, Patrick, Hartgen and Brackett still are the voice for Owyhee County. They'll continue their in-session conference calls with the BOCC on Monday afternoon, Aberasturi said.

— JPB



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### **Donkey basketball tickets** on sale for Marsing FFA

The annual Marsing FFA also available at the door the donkey basketball game is slated for Monday at 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale now.

Admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for middle and high school students and \$4 for elementary school students. Children 6 years old and younger are free.

Tickets are available through any FFA member or by contacting Marsing FFA advisor Mike Martin at (208) 896-4111 ext. 188. Tickets are night of the event.

The games will take place in the Marsing High School gymnasium.

Four teams made up of FFA members, Marsing schools teachers, parents and Marsing firefighters will compete in this vear's event.

Proceeds from the event help offset costs for FFA members travel expenses for state and national FFA conventions.

### Child's question answered at Friday's Story Time

child will be measured during this week's Story Time at the Homedale Public Library.

"Mama, Do You Love Me?", a book written by Barbara M. Joose, will be read at 10:15 a.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Snacks and music will to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

A mother's love for her accompany the preschool story time.

> For more information, call (208) 337-4228.

The library is open from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and from 1 p.m.

### **Lizard Butte names** featured February artist

Butte Library in Marsing have announced Edna Roth as the February artist of the month.

The longtime painter will display landscapes, floral and wildlife creations during the monthlong display at the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing.

Roth painted her first mural in the halls of the old Kuna High School and has since worked on large-format creations in

The Friends of the Lizard Middleton and at the Nampa Civic Center.

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

For more information, call (208) 896-4690.

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### **SNOTEL** report, Owyhee County sensors

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### Water report

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The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 73 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 310 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore. at a rate of 53 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 520,662 acrefeet of water on Monday.

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

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



### Owyhee **GOP** sets **Lincoln Day** luncheon

The Owvhee County Republican Central Committee's biennial Lincoln Day banquet is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 21.

Traditionally, Republican hopefuls take the opportunity to declare their candidacy for the various offices that are open for the May primary.

The luncheon usually attracts the state's top GOP office-holders.

The luncheon shifts to McKeeth Hall inside the Owyhee County Historical Museum complex after years being held at the now-closed Sandbar Restaurant in Marsing.

The doors open at 11:30 a.m., with lunch served at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$15 per person and can be paid at the door.

The central committee will hold a fundraising auction, and the donation of items are welcome.

To RSVP, call Frances Field at (208) 834-2488.

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# Deputy cited after wreck in county rig

Part-time marine deputy due in Murphy court on Feb. 27

An Owyhee County Sheriff's Office marine deputy was cited by the Idaho State Police after an accident last month in a county vehicle.

John A. Zrofsky, 64, of Melba was cited by an ISP trooper for passing or overtaking a vehicle on the left following an accident that occurred on Jan. 25 while he was driving an OCSO truck.

Zrofsky, who works as a parttime deputy, was traveling west on Idaho highway 78 east of Murphy when he attempted to pass Murphy resident Andrew Keys, who was pulling a trailer and turning left onto Oreana Loop Road

Keys' 1993 Dodge truck impacted the right side of the 2001 Chevrolet 1500 driven by Zrofksy, causing the deputy to spin out and end up off the road, the ISP crash report detailed.

According to the report, the damage to the OCSO truck was "minor-moderate". Keys' vehicle was listed with minor damage and neither vehicle was towed from the accident scene.

Zrofsky is scheduled for a hearing on the infraction on Feb. 27 in Murphy.

### HHS senior wins state poetry contest

# Classmates show strong in anti-dating violence campaign

Now Angel Jr. Salazar has no excuse not to take his girlfriend out for a Valentine's dinner.

The Homedale High School senior won \$500 for his first-place poem, leading a dominant contingent of classmates in the 2012 Love What's Real contest.

Salazar's 75-word love poem and the works of other winners, including the other Homedale students from Melinda Garcia's class, will be released in a poetry book later this month.

Salazar said his poem was inspired — and approved — by his girlfriend, Trisha Gray. They've been dating since May. He worked about two hours on the poem, which marked his second entry in the contest. He also entered a poem as a sophomore.

"When I got it done, I gave a copy to my girlfriend, and she was good with it," he said.

He plans to use part of his winnings for college, but once reminded that Valentine's Day was around the corner, he quickly recalled that he should also take Trisha out for a meal.

There were more than 1,600 entries. Eight Homedale poets brought home \$1,125 in prize money.

The annual contest promotes National Teen Dating



Front row, from left: Alissa Martin, Katie Deal and Matt Hetrick. Back row, from left: Niki Hetrick, Angel Jr. Salazar, Kathryn Thatcher and Edmy Vega. Not pictured: Carissa Gardner

Violence Awareness & Prevention Month.

The eight students — Salazar, second-place poet Edmy Vega, third-place student Kathryn Thatcher and honorable mentions Carissa Gardner, Alissa Martin, Katie Deal, Niki Hetrick and Matt Hetrick — will be honored during the Feb. 22 Power of Words at the Linen Building in Boise.

Salazar, Niki Hetrick and Gardner are seniors. Matt Hetrick is a junior, and the rest of the honored students are sophomores.

There were 100 cash prizes in the contest, which drew entries from high schools in the valley as well as Salmon, Madison and Shelley high schools.

— JPB

# BITNER Valentine's Day Specials

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The first 24 bottles are part of the special edition decorated with fired glass heart necklaces designed by local artist Dorothy Tobin. Don't be left out without your special edition bottle!

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### Fundraisers set to send complete Future City force to D.C. finals

### Middle school parents looking for community assistance

Efforts are under way to send Homedale Middle School's entire Future City engineering team to the national finals in Washington D.C.

The school's second consecutive regional championship meant that the presentation team of Michael Lejardi, Madi Fisher

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and Elizabeth Hernandez would get their airfare and hotel paid for the trip to the National Engineers' Week Future City competition, which is set for Feb. 18-22.

The parents of the championship team have launched fundraising activities to get the rest of the team to the competition.

Margo Phariss, mother of team member Dylan Phariss, said the trip will cost about \$1,000 per student. The group would leave on Feb. 17.

The rest of the team includes Jennifer Bautista, Dylan Burks, Connor Carter, Garrett Carter, Kirsten Egurrola, Andrew Parker, Benny Schamber, Jordan Stuart, Richard Symms and Alex Vega.

Homedale's entire Future City team also made the trip to Washington D.C. after similar efforts last year in the wake of their regional championship.

Margo Phariss said the students

would get a chance to tour the monuments of the nation's capital as well as network with other students interested in science, technology, engineering and math.

"It is the chance of a lifetime for them," she said.

The fundraising efforts began with a donation box set up next to the group's award-winning Future City model during Saturday's three-game set between the Homedale and Payette high school boys' basketball teams.

Team members also sold dinners during Monday's round of parent/teacher conferences at HMS and sold concessions during Monday's Beauty or Beast Pageant fundraiser for the Homedale High School wrestling program.

Lunchtime bake sales also are

For more information, contact Margo Phariss at 482-9901 or mphariss@homedaleschools. org, HMS principal Amy Winters at 337-5780 or awinters@homedaleschools.org or Clarissa Parker at 477-8140.



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### Grand View Lions hold annual auction Saturday

The Grand View Lions Club's annual auction is set for 1 p.m. Saturday inside the town's elementary school gymnasium.

The event begins with lunch at noon, and the bidding begins at 1 p.m. Baker Auction Co., provides the auctioneers.

The school is located at 205 First St.

The Lions' plan for 2012 auction proceeds: Help build a new pedestrian bridge across the irrigation canal on Idaho highway 167.

The Lions strive to improve their community, and say the bridge will help keep children walking to and from school safe. The bridge also will give the elementary school students a safer evacuation route during emergency drills.

Auction items include livestock, hay and straw, furniture, household products, petroleum products, cakes and pies and more. There is a twist to the various auction lots this year.

Usually, the Tuesday Quilters group from Rimrock Senior Center donates a queensize quilt for the auction. This year, though, the ladies have provided two wall hangings, according to quilters leader Jackie Lucas.

More auction items are sought.

The Lions also are raffling a new barbecue and 12-gauge shotgun.

For more information, to donate an auction item or to buy a raffle ticket, call Verla Spang at (208) 834-2419, Dixie McDaniel at (208) 834-2217 or Doug Thurman at (208) 834-2442.

Proceeds from previous auctions have

• Sponsor Little League basketball and

baseball programs for both the Grand View and Bruneau vouth

- Provide insurance for many of the nonschool-sponsored activities held on school grounds
- Donate library books to the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, Grand View Elementary and Bruneau Elementary
- Acquire books for the Eastern Owyhee County Library

Other community service activities for the Lions include filling plastic eggs with candy, toys and quarters for Grand View's annual community Easter egg hunt.

The club also sponsors hearing and eye exams and purchases eyeglasses for those

The Lions also sponsor the sportsmanship buckle for a girl at the Owyhee County Fair's horse show and provide scholarships for Rimrock graduates. The club also has helped Eagle Scouts with projects in the community, including extending the Life-Flight helipad in town, furnishing irrigation components for a tree planting project on Idaho 167 and fencing the elementary school playground.

The Lions also have embarked on projects that benefit the community as a whole. In addition to this year's goal of helping build the pedestrian bridge, the club previously has used auction proceeds to fill a drain ditch along Idaho 167, start construction of a sidewalk along the highway and, last year, install an irrigation pump as part of a communitywide effort that brought grass, trees and a sidewalk to the area along Centennial Park.

### County museum chief to speak in Bruneau

A direct descendant of the original Austrian Settlement families of Homedale will take up the topic at the Bruneau and Beyond luncheon series.

Owyhee County Historical Museum director Joe Demshar, who is the fifth generation of his family to live in Owyhee County, is the featured speaker for the noontime program scheduled for next Wednesday at the Bruneau Valley Library.

The lunch and the presentation are free. RSVPs are required, and must be phoned in to the librarian at (208) 845-2131 or (208) 8452345 by Monday.

The library is located at 32073 Ruth St. If more space is required, the event will be moved to a different location and notices of the change posted at the library.

Demshar's ancestors came to the area southwest of Homedale and started what became known as the Austrian Settlement in the early part of the last century.

The Homedale native and Boise State University graduate returned to his roots and the original Demshar homestead last year to take on the directorship of the county museum.

### Bruneau revs up for Boosters auction

### Community's major fundraiser includes free dinner Feb. 25

Preparation has begun for this Dick Strickland, who retired after year's Bruneau Booster Club Auction.

The annual free dinner and live and silent auctions will be held Saturday, Feb. 25 at the American Legion Post 83 Hall, 32478 Belle Avenue in Bruneau.

Dinner is at 5:30 p.m., followed by the auctions at 7 p.m.

Bruneau's Kyle Colyer will serve as auctioneer for the first time without longtime sidekick last year's event.

The auction draws a wide variety of goods and services donated by local businessmen as well as a significant number of handmade items submitted by area craftsmen.

The Boosters use the proceeds to pay for Bruneau's street lights and to provide a scholarship each year to a graduating senior at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School.

Money raised from the longrunning auction also funds improvements to the city park, and the Boosters provide financial assistance to community members for a variety of reasons.

Last year, the Boosters funded the community walking path at Bruneau Elementary. This year, in addition to these community contributions, the Boosters have two special community projects in mind for funding.

For information, or to make a donation, contact Judy McBride at (208) 845-2842 or Ginny Roeder at (208) 845-2282.

### Planners set to hear CUPs, review bylaws

Three conditional use permit View, Oreana and Murphy. applications for single-family homes will be heard Thursday during an Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

The hearings begin at 10 a.m. inside the Owyhee County Courthouse Annex, 17069 Basey St., in Murphy.

The homes are located in agricultural zones, one each near Grand

The commissioners are scheduled to deliberate at 2 p.m. and sign decisions before reviewing the proposed bylaws for the Owyhee County P&Z Commission at 2:30 p.m.

The county P&Z board is comprised of chair Connie Brandau and commissioners Clay Atkins, Lori Badiola, Scott Jensen and Chad Nettleton.

### Bruneau school group holds Winter Wonderland fundraiser

Snow may not be prevalent, but that's not stopping a local group from hosting a Winter Wonderland fundraiser Saturday.

The Bruneau Elementary Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) will host the Winter Wonderland Carnival and Chili Feed from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the elementary school, 28541 Benham Ave.

An all-you-can-eat chili dinner with homemade cinnamon rolls will be available at a price of \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 and younger.

The family event will feature games and activities, such as bean bag toss, bingo, pop toss, fishing, dice race, deck of cards duck pond, jail, cake walk and face painting.

Tickets for the games and other fun are 50 cents each.

Babysitting services also will be available.

Proceeds will benefit the Bruneau Elementary PTO as well as the teachers supply fund.

Sponsors, volunteers and bakers are being sought. For more information, call (208) 845-2252.





### Neighbors Helping Neighbors





**Top:** Auctioneer JB Salutregui and Marsing Disaster Auction volunteer Tim Dines call out for bids during the 51st auction at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center on Saturday.

**Above:** Auction-goers wait in line for the freshly fried doughnuts. The auction staple was cleaned out by the middle of the afternoon.

At right: Marsing High School students PJ Even, left, and Cody Rhodes display one of Ramona Lindemann's hand-painted saw blades.

**Below:** A Marsing volunteer firefighter watches auction items during the annual disaster auction.

For more photos from the 51st annual Marsing Disaster Auction, visit the Avalanche website





# PE teacher invites community to reap benefits of cardio

HES' Moore launches another Jump Rope For Heart

Homedale Elementary School's annual Jump Rope For Heart pledge drive is under way.

Students will collect pledges and then nearly two hours on Thursday, Feb. 16 skipping rope to meet their goals.

Physical education instructor Dan Moore has been heading up the school's annual fundraiser for the American Heart Association for 14 years. He has been involved in the fight against heart disease, stroke and heart attacks for even longer — dating back to his days teaching in Chicago.

He said the Homedale event typically draws 200 to 300 children and raises between \$2,000 and \$3,500 each year.

Moore is looking for sponsors to provide door prizes for each boy or girl who participates.

"We sincerely appreciate all the businesses that have been so generous for many years," Moore said. Although the jump roping is a fundraiser, Moore says the money is second or third on the priority list.

"Our big push is having the families come here — grandma, grandpa and uncles — to come and jump with the kids," Moore said. "That's the big thing: To benefit the health of our families."

Moore said that at least four children walking the Homedale Elementary halls have undergone some type of medical procedure for their heart, and others still have brothers and sisters "with scars across their chests."

"It hits home," Moore said. "This is something that happens right here in Homedale."

Moore said the annual jumpa-thon isn't reserved for the young. He welcomes the young at heart, too. And, basically, any community member who wants to get his or her heart pumping is invited.

"I want the mayor to come here. I want the town to come and pack this place," he said.

In the past, people have jumproped to honor people in their family who have heart disease or may have died because of heart disease, Moore said.

# BLM seeks advisory panel nominees

The nomination process has opened for three positions on the Bureau of Land Management's Boise District Resource Advisory Council (RAC).

Composed of citizens with expertise in natural resource issues, RACs help the BLM carry out its stewardship on public lands.

There is one position open in each of three categories that make up the Boise District RAC.

Nominations will be considered until the formal call for nominations is published in the Federal Register on March 12, 45 days after the Jan. 27 announcement.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others for the council. Nominees must be Idaho residents and will be judged on the basis of their training, education and knowledge of the council's geographical area.

Nominees should also demonstrate a commitment to consensus building and collaborative decision-making. All nominations must be accompanied by letters of reference from any represented interests or organizations; a completed background information nomination form; and any other information that speaks to the nominee's qualifications. The RAC nomination form is available at http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/info/resource\_advisory.html

Category One is for public land ranchers and organizations associated with energy and mineral development, the timber industry, transportation or rights-of-way, off-highway vehicle use, and commercial recreation.

Owyhee County has two ranchers in Category One — Grand View's Donna Bennett and Brenda Richards of Reynolds Creek.

Category Two includes representatives from environmental organizations, archaeological and historical organizations, dispersed recreation activities, and wild horse and burro organizations.

Karen Steenhof, a Owyhee Local Working Group for sagegrouse conservation member, is on the Boise District RAC as part of this category. She is a member of the Raptor Research Foundation, which qualifies her for the RAC.

Category Three is for elected officials, reps of state agencies responsible for natural resource management; reps of Indian Tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the RAC is organized; representatives and employees of academic institutions who are involved in natural sciences; and the public-at-large.

Shoshone-Paiute Tribes Cultural Resources Director Ted Howard is a Category Three member.



Marsing seventh-graders Alex Larios, left, and Tati Velasco look at an agar block in a pink solution on Friday at NNU.

# Extravaganza

### Marsing students get hands-on at NNU event

seventh-graders from Marsing Middle School took part in Northwest Nazarene University's Science Extravaganza last week.

Middle school principal Paul Webster said one of the goals of the event is to get students on a college campus to see the opportunities they have.

"One of the primary goals is to get every student at (Marsing Middle School) on a college campus every year," Webster said. "(Students) can start to build plans and understand the options that are available in their future."

Throughout the two-day event, students were led through different hands-on science lessons by NNU students on subjects including reptiles, photosynthesis, osmosis and air pressure.

"This is important for engaging students. We utilize our students from NNU to teach the concepts to the

From creepy crawlies to photosynthesis, sixth- and middle school students," NNU professor John Cossel Jr. said. "It is easier for them to listen to a peer and learn from them than it is an old guy like me."

> Throughout the 13 years Cossel has been at NNU, the Marsing schools have taken part in the event, which is funded by the Idaho National Laboratory,

> "We try and make this as hands on as possible," Cossel said. "Giving them an opportunity to touch and see the experiments up-close and personal makes a difference."

> Cossel is a Marsing High School graduate and serves as the Biology Department chairman for NNU.

Middle school teacher Jim Eisentrager said one of the key benefits of the event is having different experiments for the students to take part in that aren't incorporated into the daily routine at the school.

"In the classroom, we do the experiments," Eisentrager said. "The variety of what they offer and show the students helps them see it in all the different forms.

"During the photosynthesis lesson, we got to watch oxygen be released from Elodea stems (a common aquarium plant). The students could see the air bubbles form and be released through the stems."

Eisentrager said in the spring when the grass starts growing at the school, he would take a section of sod and use probe sensors that are hooked to a computer in the classroom to measure the carbon dioxide and

"This really gives the students an opportunity to see what is available to them," Eisentrager said. "Every year this gets them excited and allows them to see the possibilities in education and career paths."

— JLZ



Marsing seventh-grader Evan Anderson looks at a rough skin newt during the "Creepy Crawlies" demonstration on Friday at NNU. For more photos from the NNU event, check the Avalanche website



Seventh-grader Josue Lagunas cuts into an agar block during the osmosis lab at the NNU Science Extravaganza.

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MHS girls lose in district opener

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Crane ends JV boys' streak

#### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012**

### Homedale girl qualifies for judo nationals

Several members of new club place at Oregon meet

Gabby Nash, a member of the Owyhee County Judo Club, has qualified for the USA Judo Senior Nationals after winning at the Oregon State Judo Championships in Ontario,

The Homedale resident was one of three judokas — the name for practitioners of the martial art of judo — from the new Homedale-based judo club to win championships on Jan. 28 at Treasure Valley Community College's John Easly Gymnasium.

championship at the Oregon State Judo Senior Championships.

Tori Nash and Devin Kent won championships on the same day during the 61st annual Ore-Ida Judo Club Open Invitational

Tori Nash took home top prize in the 13-14 Intermediate Female Division, and Kent won the Junior Male 7-8 championship.

In all, seven Owyhee County club members placed in the tournament, which was the club's first official appearance.

Zoe Hooker placed second Nash won the Lightweight in the Junior Female 9-10 Women's Open Division Heavyweight division, and



Gabby Nash, top row, second from left, Tori Nash, middle row, first on left, and Devin Kent, bottom row, sixth from left, won championships recently in the Owyhee County Judo Club's first tournament appearance. They pose with the rest of the club and their senseis. Submitted photo

Sophie Nash was runner-up in the Junior Female 9-10 Middleweight class.

Belisia Larzelier collected third place in the Junior Female 7-8 division, and Amaia Larzelier-Black was third in the Lightweight Women's Open class.

Gabby Nash has earned a

spot in the USA Judo Senior Nationals, which take place April 21-22 in Irving, Texas.

The judokas train at Owyhee County Judo Club, 106 W. Idaho

The club opened in late October, and practices are held Monday and Wednesday nights. There are 30 members currently ranging in age from 7 to 45.

Ryan Nash and Ron Hooker

New student enrollment is held on the first and third Monday of each month.

For more information, call Ryan Nash at 412-2065.

### Streaky Grizzlies drop HHS girls

### Fruitland KOs Trojans' title hopes in semifinal round

Homedale High School couldn't cope with Fruitland's athleticism Friday night in the first round of the 3A District III girls' basketball tournament.

The No. 2 seed Grizzlies set the tone early, converting the Trojans' passing mistakes into long runs that fueled a 54-33 victory in the semifinals at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

"We did have some troubles shooting the ball against their defense, but the turnovers on the offensive end did hurt us in the long run," first-year HHS coach Matt Holtry said. "They are longer than most teams we face, so there are passes we just can't make against them that we might get away with against other teams."

Third-seeded Homedale (11-8 before Tuesday's post-deadline

at TVCC) tried to come back from an early 14-5 deficit, but the Grizzlies rode a 16-3 spurt to a commanding 30-12 lead in the waning minutes of the second quarter. Fruitland's 6-foot-2 junior post, Sadie Stutzman, controlled the action at opportune times throughout the night.

She scored 15 of her gamehigh 17 points in the first 16 minutes, and Holtry called that a "huge difference in the game".

"She is a great player and a definite matchup advantage for Fruitland," the coach said. "She has the ability to step back and hit the 3 as well as attack the basket.

"We didn't do a good job defending her, and that hurt

Kylie Farwell scored five points late in the first half, knocking down a jumper and a three-point shot, in an attempt elimination game against Payette to get Homedale back into the

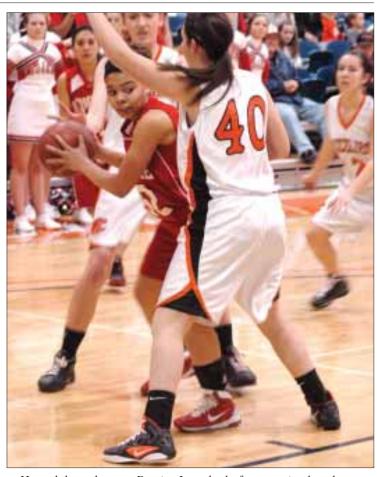
game. Unfortunately, those two baskets were more than a minute

Senior guard Aubrey Nash canned a jump shot 15 seconds into the third quarter to get Homedale to within 11 points, 30-19, but Fruitland proceeded to score the game's next 12 points to end the Trojans' final stand.

"We had some glimpses of great play, but to beat a team like Fruitland you have to play four quarters of solid basketball," Holtry said.

Farwell, a 5-foot-5 senior guard, scored 13 points to lead Homedale. Sophomore forward Destiny Long played strong in the third quarter to notch all six of her points, while Nash registered seven points.

Jandee Carlson hit some clutch first-half shots for coach Beth Holt's Grizzlies on her way to eight points. She also grabbed seven rebounds. Miranda Clinton scored 10 points, and Hannah Farmer added eight.



Homedale sophomore Destiny Long looks for a passing lane between Fruitland freshman Makenna Little and the baseline during Friday's 3A District III semifinal at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

### Homedale fifth-grader on target for state free-throw contest

### Elks Hoop Shoot state championship Saturday in Rupert

Homedale Middle School fifthgrader Mason Kincheloe has qualified for the Idaho Elks Hoop Shoot state championship.

A win at Saturday's Idaho State Elks in Rupert sends Kincheloe to the Northwest Region 1 semifinals set for March 3 in Vancouver, Wash.

The regional winners then

move on to the nationals in Springfield, Mass., for a chance to get their names enshrined in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

He won a berth in the state final with his 10-11 boys' title at the South District Hoop Shoot on Jan. 25 at Nampa Christian Schools. Kincheloe knocked

down 16 of 25 freethrow attempts for the title.

Kincheloe and another fifth-grader, Courtney VanWinkle, both qualified for the district championship shoot by winning the Caldwell Lodge titles

for 10- and 11-year-olds earlier in January.

VanWinkle placed third at the South District shoot, according to



HMS principal Amy Winters.

Both children competed against representatives from Elks Lodges in Weiser, Mountain Home, Nampa and Boise.

Kincheloe and VanWinkle reached the district tournament by winning their age group championships during the Caldwell Elks Lodge Hoop Shoot earlier in January at Syringa Middle School in Caldwell. Kincheloe won the Caldwell championship by making 19 of 25 free throws, while VanWinkle drained 12 of 25.

They qualified for the lodge championship by winning their school titles in a Jan. 18-19 competition at HMS. The younger age groups competed at Homedale Elementary at the same time, and 55 children overall turned out for a chance to advance.

### Payette breaks 80 against Trojans

### Homedale plays in district tourney elimination game next week

Homedale High School's boys' basketball team lost sight of its prey during the second and third quarters of Saturday night's 3A Snake River Valley conference loss.

The Trojans trailed by just three points after the first eight minutes, but Payette exploded in the middle of the game and doused its host, 81-66, to keep Homedale winless in conference action.

The Pirates outscored the Trojans, 50-35, during a 16-minute span over the second and third quarters.

Homedale (4-15 overall, 0-7 3A SRV) is guaranteed the fifth and final berth into the 3A District III Tournament next week at Treasure Valley Community

College in Ontario, Ore. Coach Kenny Thomas' squad will face either Payette or Parma in the elimination round of the postseason tournament. The Pirates and Panthers play tonight in Payette to settle the No. 3 seed.

The Pirates (10-8, 3-3) received 24 points from Clayton Hansen and 22 from Zach Allen.

Zac Lowder picked up half of the Trojans' four three-point goals and had 16 points when he fouled out. Senior Brett Ryska led Homedale with 18 points.

Casey Christoffersen scored nine points, and Trey Corta and Kade Eiguren picked eight points each

Jan. 31: Weiser 62, Homedale 46 — The Trojans couldn't get

anything going against the unbeaten conference frontrunners, who held a 22-point lead at halftime.

Four different Homedale shooters converted three-point goals, including leading scorer Zac Lowder, who finished with nine points.

Casey Christoffersen and Brett Ryska also hit treys, and both finished with eight points apiece. Hayden Krzesnik hit a threepointer and scored seven points.

Weiser took twice as many foul shots as the Trojans, and was successful twice as may times to account for half of their final margin of victory. The Wolverines' Isaac Zanelli was 7-for-8 from the charity stripe for all of his points.

Drew McKie led all scorers with 21 points for the Wolverines, while teammate Tyler Hemphill converted four of seven foul shots en route to 17 points.



Homedale's Zac Lowder drives around a Payette defender during Friday night's 81-66 loss at home. Photo by Gregg Garrett

### Fast start, long-range attack lift Rimrock boys in standings

A huge opening statement sent the Rimrock High School boys' basketball team to a crucial conference victory last week.

The Raiders drained three threepointers and racked up 21 points in the first quarter Jan. 31 to beat Riverstone International in Boise.

The victory helped Rimrock's cause in both 1A Western Idaho Conference play and the all-important 1A, Div. I District III Tournament seeding.

"The boys came out strong against Riverstone. We do have the capability of hitting the threes,

and it showed ... with four in the first half," Rimrock coach John Hannah said.

Ricardo Garcia scored all six of his points with a pair of first-period treys. Cody Steele launched a 21-point night with seven points, including the first of his two three-pointers.

"We have structured our practices to involve more shooting," Hannah said. "Maybe this is paying off.

"If it does then we should have done it earlier in the season."

The fast start helped the Raiders hold off Riverstone's second-half

charge, which was sparked by a 10-point third quarter from Robert Seme. Seme scored a game-high 20 points

The Otters held Rimrock to a three-pointer from Oscar Gomez in the third quarter, but couldn't overcome the early deficit despite Andrew Cherwy's three three-pointers in the fourth that led to 11 of his 15 points for the game.

Steele connected on five of six free throws in the fourth to seal the win. He also had four steals.

"Cody Steele being a sophomore was making sophomore mistakes

earlier in the season," his coach said. "As time has gone on, he has developed more confidence in himself, cut down on the number of turnovers and is generally making better decisions on the court."

Gomez and Clay Cantrell scored seven points each for Rimrock, and Austin Meyers kicked in six, including a pair of free throws down the stretch.

Cantrell logged 10 rebounds and four steals, while Gomez directed the offense with five assists. Rimrock (6-8 overall, 4-3 in the 1A WIC at week's end) took another

step toward steadying its record in the chase for a good district seeding with the tournament looming later this month. The Raiders were 2-3 in the seeding standings before Tuesday's game in Bruneau against Greenleaf Friends Academy, which counts in both the 1A WIC and 1A, Div. I standings.

The Raiders will look for another district seeding victory Friday on the road against Idaho City.

On Thursday, Rimrock dropped a 61-57 non-conference decision on the road to Camas County.







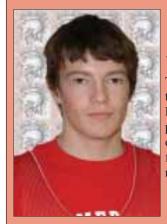


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Student Athlete Spotlight

Zac Lowder

Senior Basketball

The Play — Lowder continued his strong return after missing most of the season with an injury. He averaged 12.5 points in two 3A Snake River Valley conference losses. The 6-foot guard hit a pair of three-point goals and scored 16 points to finish with the second-most points on the team during Saturday's 81-66 loss to Payette. He was one of four different Trojans to hit three-pointers Jan. 31 and finished with nine points in a 62-46 loss to conference leader Weiser.



Thursday, Feb. 9 at 3A District III Tournament, Treasure Valley CC, Ontario, Ore., if nec., 7 p.m.

Wrestling

Thursday, Feb. 9, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10 at Timberline, 6 p.m.

Boys' basketball

Friday, Feb. 10, home vs. Fruitland, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 13 vs. No. 4 seed at 3A District III Tournament, Treasure Valley CC, Ontario, Ore., 7:30 p.m. If win Monday: Wednesday, Feb. 15 vs. No. 1 seed at 3A District III Tournament, Treasure Valley CC, Ontario, Ore., 7:30 p.m.

Boys' basketball Junior varsity

Friday, Feb. 10, home vs. Fruitland, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 11 at 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament, Parma H.S., opponent and time TBA Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 3A SRV conference tournament, Parma H.S., if nec., opponent and time TBA Frosh-soph

Friday, Feb. 10, home vs. Fruitland, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11 at 3A SRV conference tournament, Parma H.S., opponent and time TBA Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 3A SRV conference tournament,

Parma H.S., if nec., opponent and time TBA



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Marsing's Ashley Hull maneuvers around Nampa Christian's Jeana Siegersma during Saturday's loss to the Trojans.

### Lady Huskies lose district tourney opener

### Marsing still eyes shot at State

Facing off with anyone for the two years." fourth time in a season is tough. On Friday night, the Marsing High School girls' basketball team realized how tough it can be as they dropped its district tournament opener, 55-48 to Nampa Christian.

Despite earning a breather in the opening round with the No. 2 seed for the 2A District III tournament, the Lady Huskies (12-7) came out flat and were held to only six points in the first quarter. The Trojans (14-6) set the tone with 21.

"Right from the start, obviously they were shooting the ball real well and our defense didn't help," Marsing coach Tim Little said. "We lacked intensity. We got down quick. We haven't given up 21 points in a quarter in over

With the loss, Marsing was knocked from an automatic qualification for the 2A Real Dairy Shootout State Tournament. On Feb. 7, the Lady Huskies hosted Cole Valley Christian for a chance to advance to the third-place game on Thursday night in Parma. For results from the game, check The Owyhee Avalanche website.

Against Nampa Christian, Marsing's Ashley Hull led all scorers with 18 points followed by Andrea Rodriguez and Deidrie Briggs with eight.

"The points became a mental block for us." Little said. "You get down 15 (points), and we forgot what got us there and that was our defense. Physically we were there, but we shut down

mentally. Nampa Christian is a good team, and they made us pay."

The Trojans were paced with a double-double by Lacie Kemper with 12 points and 12 rebounds, which helped Nampa Christian earn a spot in the championship game against Melba on Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. in Parma.

If the Lady Huskies beat Cole Valley, they will play at 6 p.m. prior to the championship game at Parma High School.

With a win Thursday in the third-place game, Marsing will travel to either Jerome (District IV) or Burley (District V) for a 3 p.m. game against one of the district's teams for a chance at making it to State. For more information on tourney site and opponent, check The Owyhee Avalanche website on Friday.

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### Marsing drops two straight, preps for senior night on Friday

### Huskies to host Nampa Christian for play-in on Tuesday

With only one game left in the season, the Marsing High School boys' basketball team is set to host Nampa Christian on Friday for senior night and will likely host the Trojans again on Tuesday for a district tourney play-in game.

After back-to-back 2A Western Idaho Conference losses last week, Huskies (8-11, 2-9) coach JW Chadez is hoping the team's three seniors — Dakota Hill, MacKay Hall and Grayson Kendall — can make an impact and help the team finish the regular season with a win.

"I will challenge my seniors to step up and perform," Chadez said. "I want them to go out with a bang. This is it, and it is their baby. They have an opportunity to lead this team out with a better ending than we have had in a while."

On Friday, the Trojans — riding a 16-game skid — will hit the court at 7:30 p.m. against Marsing. On

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Tuesday, the Huskies (No. 6 seed) will host Nampa Christian (No. 7) at 7 p.m. If Marsing wins, it will advance to play the No. 3 seed next Wendesday at 7 p.m.

With conference games still left to play, the No. 3 seed hasn't been determined. Chadez believes the game will take place at either New Plymouth or Melba.

Friday: North Star 55, Marsing 46 — Marsing's Jason Galligan led all scorers with 25 points, but it wasn't enough to stifle the host Huskies in Eagle.

"Jason showed more aggression and played really hard," Chadez said. "He was working to get opportunities and create those points. He was a big spark against North Star."

Galligan picked up six rebounds, three steals and two blocks followed by Hill with six points. Miguel Leon chipped in with seven assists, two steals and three points.

Wednesday: New Plymouth **64, Marsing 59** — Galligan set the pace for the Huskies en route to 20 points, four blocks and four rebounds in Marsing's 2A WIC road loss.

"We are really to the point were

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six or seven possessions on both ends are costing us the game," Chadez said. "We allowed New Plymouth to get a 13-point lead before the half. We came out and played better in the second, but it wasn't enough."

Hill posted 16 points followed by Hall with nine and Leon with six points and nine assists.

### MHS softball fundraiser set for Saturday

In advance of the upcoming softball season, the Marsing High School team is looking to raise funds to purchase new uniforms.

On Saturday, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. the defending 2A state champion Lady Huskies will don aprons and notepads as they wait tables at the Spot Pizza.

A percentage of the proceeds along with all the tips generated from the night will be used to purchase uniforms and help with equipment for the team.



Girls' basketball Varsity

Thursday, Feb. 9 at 2A District III Tournament, Parma H.S., if nec., opponent and time TBA

Boys' basketball

Friday, Feb. 10 vs. Nampa Christian, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 2A District III Tournament play-in game, if nec., opponent and time TBA

Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 2A District III Tournament, site, opponent and time TBA

Boys' basketball Junior varsity A Friday, Feb. 10 vs. Nampa Christian, 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11 at 2A District III Tournament, opponent and

Junior varsity B Friday, Feb. 10 vs. Nampa Christian, 4:45 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 11 at Pine Eagle Invitational, TBA



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### Big hometown support on road prods HHS to subvarsity title sweep

### JV girls' rout of Fruitland caps perfect season

The Homedale High School subvarsity girls' basketball teams apparently found a home away from home during their run to dual conference tournament championships.

Fans reported that it seemed there were more backers for the Trojans than either Fruitland squad even though the 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament finals were played on the Grizzlies' court Wednesday.

"One of the highlights was the amount of parent/community support that was at the game," HHS varsity coach Matt Holtry wrote in an email string that made the rounds Thursday after the games.

"It felt as though they were home games even though we were at Fruitland. The coaches commented on this a couple of times last night. Thanks to all who came to support the girls."

The coaches were Joe Betancourt, whose junior varsity team capped an 18-0 season with a 35-23 shellacking of Fruitland, and Janee Olds, who watched the frosh-soph squad squeak out a 25-23 win over the Grizzlies.

The JV team entered last week's action as the tournament's top seed and needed every ounce of momentum from that distinction to beat Payette, 38-35, in a Jan. 31 semifinal.

The Trojans played from behind throughout the game against Payette before getting their first lead late in the

"We had a good scare in the first round against Payette before pulling it out in the fourth quarter," Betancourt said.

The fourth-quarter surge was nothing new for Betancourt's squad, which outscored opponents, 240-107 in the final

eight minute of games this season. Early in the season, the team beat Parma by eight points on the road after trailing by six heading into the final period.

"We played in a lot of tough and physical games this season," Betancourt said.

In the title game against Fruitland, Morgan Nash (11 points) and Elise Shenk (10) led an attack that didn't waste much time setting the pace.

"Morgan Nash was very big for us this year. She was a great leader and always pushed everyone around her to be better, whether it was verbally or by example," Betancourt said.

"Every single girl on the team contributed to our success this year, though. I was extremely lucky to have 10 girls I had my complete faith in to put on the floor."

That teamwork was needed



Front row: Carlie Purdom, Elise Shenk, Mariah Mackie. Back Row: Haley Kushlan, Morgan Nash, Hattie Mertz, Brooke Armenta, Kerigan Morris, Mykal Hill, & Ariana Rice. Missing- Coach Bettancourt. Photo by Erin Shenk

Wednesday. It took a 22-point second quarter to shake the pesky Grizzlies.

"We came out in that quarter and really applied the pressure in the full court and forced some turnovers," Betancourt said. "That gave us our big halftime lead."

Although it pulled off the

rare feat of an unbeaten season, the Homedale JV squad had a few tight games, including the early Parma game and both non-conference battles with

"Each time these girls were challenged this year, they found a way to rise up and overcome it," Betancourt said.

### Frosh-soph wakes up to edge Grizzlies late

Wednesday's championship rally, while no doubt nerve-racking for all involved, was old hat for the Homedale High School frosh-soph girls' basketball team faithful.

Playing a team that had beaten them twice earlier in the season, the Trojans mounted comebacks on both ends of the 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament final to edge host Fruitland, 25-23.

Homedale trailed 6-0 after the first quarter.

"Every girl played an important role on our team and there were times each girl had to step up," Homedale coach Janee Olds said of the season's trend. "They did so without fail."

The Trojans finished 8-8, including a 6-2 run through the 3A SRV regular season to clinch the No. 2 seed for the tourney. Homedale edged No. 3 seed Parma, 22-18, in the Jan. 31 semifinal.

Then on Wednesday it was Baily Adams and Jennifer Hernandez who hit big fourth-quarter shots to put the Trojans in a position to bring home the championship trophy.

"I was proud that every girl on our team came out believing they could win, despite losing to Fruitland twice during conference play by 15-plus points," Olds

"They compete every minute. There is never a letdown, and it paid off in their last game of the season."

After nine clutch free throws in the game's final two minutes, Tory Nash finished with a team-high 14 points.

"All season Tory has been a leader on the team and came up big in the last game of the season," Olds said. "She has kept the team composed in close games and never seems to get rattled."

Olds said Hernandez played a key defensive role during Homedale's run to the conference

"Jennifer Hernandez is by far the most improved player on the team," the coach said. "Jennifer is our defensive stopper and frustrated other teams throughout halftime, but roared to a se-

the season with her speed and intensity.

"Jennifer had a number of steals in the ... tournament that allowed our team to gain extra possessions and propelled us to the win."

The frosh-soph Trojans even battled through a tough practice schedule that featured 6 a.m. workouts, which Olds called the team's biggest daily challenge.

"It's tough to get up that early and come to practice focused and ready to compete," the coach said.

"It was awesome to see how motivated they were every morning. They consistently gave their best effort and never complained."

The close victory over Parma in the conference tournament semis showed how much the team had grown during the season.

The Trojans sparked their surge to a high seed with a big come-from-behind victory in the second meeting with the Panthers. Homedale trailed by 10 points at



Coach Janee Olds, far left, poses with the Homedale High School frosh-soph girls' basketball team after their championship win. Front row, from left: Freshman Tori Nash and Michelle Castro; back row, from left: Freshman Jennifer Hernandez, sophomore Marissa Guzman, freshman Roni Black, sophomore Cheyenne Steinmetz, freshmen McKenna Calzacorta, Bailey Adams, Sami Riha and Vanessa Zenor. Submitted photo

point victory.

"It showed the team's resilience and their no-quit mentality," Olds

said. "It was a turning point in the season because they really started to believe that they could win."



basketball junior varsity team claimed the 2A Western Idaho Conference tournament title on Jan. 30 with a 37-32 win over New Plymouth.

The Lady Huskies held off a 15 point run by the Pilgrims in the fourth quarter to claim the championship game at home.

Marsing was paced by Ann Quiroz with 12 points followed by Destany Reynolds with nine and Emily Tank with six.

Jan. 28: Marsing 44, Nampa Christian 20 — In the opening round of the subvarsity tourney,



Audra Kendall defends a New Plymouth player during the junior varsity championship game on Jan. 30 in Marsing. Photo by Dan Pease the Lady Huskies dished up a win followed by Tank with huge 24 point win en route to a

berth in the championship game. Reynolds and Quiroz each scored eight points in Marsing's

The Lady Huskies finished the season 16-3 and only lost one game in league play.



### Creeping Crane ends Jordan Valley boys' five-game streak

### Jordan Valley stalks good district seeding in final HDL games

Once Crane High School found a cushion against Jordan Valley on Saturday, the visitors took the air out of the ball and the hosts'

"Crane went ahead by seven early in the fourth quarter and went to a delay," Jordan Valley boys' basketball coach Mike Workman said. "They are just too good to have to chase the ball.

"Give credit to Crane. They executed the delay very well."

Crane escaped Jordan Valley with a 52-37 1A High Desert League victory to maintain its perfect, league-leading record.

Jordan Valley (10-8 overall, 6-2 1A HDL) saw its five-game winning streak end and slipped to third place with one week left in the league season.

Crane (17-3, 8-0) led the battle of the Mustangs by two points, 27-25, at halftime and began to pull away in the third quarter before a 10-2 run to end the game.

Ryan Opie scored 20 points

for Crane, followed by eight points each from Tyler Opie, Cole Maupin and Nic Nyman.

Nate Elsner and Nathan Easterday scored 10 points apiece to pace Jordan Valley. Ty Warn snagged 14 of his team's 31 rebounds and also dished four

"This was a very physical game with very few fouls called," Workman said. "Overall, we played well."

Jordan Valley is a half-game behind Prairie City for the 1A District 8 Tournament's No. 3 seed with road games against archrival Adrian (Thursday) and Harper (Friday) looming.

Friday: Jordan Valley 59, Burnt River 23 — Braedon Fillmore scored 13 points, and James Dowell added 12 as the Mustangs pounded the Bulls in Union, Ore.

"The starters took the night off. The young guys jumped out to an early lead and played well,"

Workman said. "They executed the offense very well."

Jordan Valley opened the game on a 22-5 first-quarte run and held a 37-11 edge at the break.

Tyrell Lucas chipped in nine points, while Nic Eiguren added

Jordan Valley's dominant rebounding effort (47 boards) was led by Wyatt Trautman with nine and Lee Stanford with eight.

The young Bulls, winless in 16 games this season, received 11 points from freshman Grayson Jensen, who poured in three threepoint goals.

Jan. 31: Jordan Valley 37, Greenleaf Friends Academy 33 — Tv Warn's jumper and free throws from Ben Telleria sparked the Mustangs' late surge in a nonleague home game.

The Grizzlies, who received 18 points from Marsing-area product BJ Bermudez-Koch, tied the game 33-33 with 90 seconds left in the defensive struggle.

"This was a low-scoring game, and both teams showed a lot of patience," Workman said.

"The defenses were very good,



Jordan Valley High School boys' basketball player Ben Telleria looks for an open man against the defense of Crane's Tyler Opie on Saturday. Photo by Tara Echave

and open shots were hard to

Bermudez-Koch had a pair of three-point goals and was perfect in four trips to the free-throw

Tom Nelson scored nine points to lead Jordan Valley's balanced offense. Nate Elsner kicked in eight, while Nathan Easterday and Blaine Moran (team-best nine rebounds) scored six each.

Telleria's two free throws with less than 10 seconds left capped a 5-for-6 team night at the charity stripe. Greenleaf converted seven of its 12 foul shots. Telleria also led the Mustangs with four steals.

### Tigers edge Antelopes in crucial girls' hoops matchup

### Adrian entertains rival Mustangs on Thursday

Adrian High School barely came out on the short end of Friday's showdown between two of the hottest 1A girls' basketball teams in Oregon.

Monument-Dayville prevailed, 26-24, in a 1A High Desert League game that marked the Tigers' 10<sup>th</sup> win in their past 11 games. Adrian had won eight of 10 before Friday's game.

The visiting Antelopes (14-8 overall, 5-2 league) slipped a half-game behind Monument-Dayville (11-7, 5-1) in the

league standings. The Tigers' fifth consecutive win put them a half-game behind second place Prairie City.

Meanwhile, Adrian finished the week two games behind league leader Harper (11-4, 7-0). The Antelopes played host to the Hornets on Tuesday night after deadline

Coach Gene Mills' squad has two 1A HDL games remaining, including a Thursday home game against archrival Adrian and the season finale Friday on the road

against Crane.

Thursday: Adrian 38, **Huntington** 7 — Shutting out the host Locomotives in the first quarter helped the Antelopes mitigate a poor shooting night.

Both teams combined for 55 turnovers.

Madi Purnell scored 10 points and snagged six rebounds to lead Adrian, which held a 19-2 lead at halftime and moved its advantage to 31-4 after three quarters.

Adrian converted 17 of 61 shots (27.9 percent), but Huntington struggled mightily from the floor, too. The Locomotives connected on only two of their 36 shots (5.6 percent) and were out-rebounded 17-11 on their own glass.

Raquel DeHoog, a 5-foot-10 sophomore, had her best scoring game of the season for the Antelopes with seven points. She also collected four rebounds.

Nichole Orosco also had six points for the winners.

Jan. 31: Adrian 43, Ambrose **39** — The Antelopes rallied in the final eight minutes to collect a come-from-behind victory in non-league action at home.

With Madi Purnell turning in 17 points and 14 rebounds, Adrian seized control in the paint. The Antelopes outscored the Archers from Garden City, 24-8, in the key.

Nichole Orosco chipped in 15 points and seven rebounds. Olivia Walker had five of the Antelopes' 12 steals. Maddy Pendergrass kicked in nine rebounds and seven points.

Adrian kept pace with Ambrose despite a rash of turnovers, and started to turn the tide in the third quarter when the Archers managed just three points.

Ambrose shot 25 percent (16for-64) from the floor, while Adrian had a rare night of accuracy, hitting 18 of 39 shots (46.2 percent).

Caitlyn Boeck led Ambrose with 15 points, while teammate Hannah Elmore chipped in nine.



### Adrian boys get defensive in HDL win

each half built enough equity for Adrian High School to eke out a boys' basketball victory on the road Friday.

Paxton Shira scored 28 points and grabbed the majority of his 13 rebounds on the defensive end in the Antelopes' 46-45 1A High Desert League win on Huntington's floor.

Adrian won despite converting just 27.9 percent (17-for-61) of its shots from the floor, including just 3-for-22 (13.6 percent) from beyond the three-point arc.

"I have told our boys that as an offense you will have those nights when shooting will be tough, but one thing you can do at 100 percent is play defense and rebound," Adrian coach Brent

The Antelopes (7-13 overall, 4-2 league) limited the Locomotives (8-8, 2-4) to just 48 shots, and they hit only 16 field goals (33.3 percent). Adrian also forced its host into 25 turnovers and held a 17-11 edge on Huntington's backboards.

After scoring just four points in the game's first eight minutes, Huntington surged in the second quarter for a 21-18 halftime lead and also made a run in the fourth quarter.

"We knew this was going to be a tough game, especially on the road," Ishida said. "Huntington played hard."

Shira had more than half of Adrian's field goals, while Juan Munoz added six points.

the Locomotives with 12 points, and teammate Blake Wiley, a junior, chipped in nine points.

Jan. 31: Adrian 53, Ambrose **38** — Once they found an answer to the Archers' towering post player, the Antelopes cruised to a non-league win at home.

Davin Liimakka, a 6-foot-7 athlete, scored 16 points for Ambrose, but Adrian's Paxton Shira responded with 23 points and 17 rebounds.

"We played good from the start, but had trouble against their 6-7 post player," Ishida said. "We made some adjustments at the half and were able to shut down their inside game."

Ambrose managed just 18 points in the paint for the entire game.

Sophomore Devin Merritt led The Archers owned a 19-13 first-quarter lead, but Adrian held the Garden City school to single digits in the remaining quarters.

> "Oliver Csaszar, Jett McCoy and Chase Walker stepped up big defensively in the second half," Ishida said.

> Tommy Shenk added 12 points for Adrian. Shira and Shenk each canned a pair of three-point goals.

> "I am proud of the way our boys are currently playing," Ishida said. "Our shooting has improved immensely, which has given us a nice inside-out game.

> "They also have a focus and drive that is helping us to stay in

> Ambrose received 12 points from Ben Fulcher.

### Looking back...

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#### Road block ...

A truckload of bananas blocked Highway 95 Tuesday afternoon when it tipped over between Marsing and Homedale. The driver was identified as Micky McQuire of California. The accident occurred between 3:30 p.m., and blocked the highway for about five hours, according to Owyhee County Deputy Bill Pyatt. No one was injured in the accident, and there were no other vehicles involved, Pyatt said. Owyhee County Sheriff Tim Nettleton, who flew to the scene and landed on the highway, headed the investigation.

#### Rimrock FFA

January was a very busy month, and February looks to be as challenging. On Wednesday, January 21, the Rimrock FFA chapter held its annual public and extemporaneous speaking contests.

The chapter was well represented, with speakers from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup> grades participating. This is the culmination of class projects for the Vocational Agricultural students at Rimrock Junior-Senior High School. Each Vo-Ag student is required to do a speech in his or her class. The top students from each class then participated in this local event. Winners then represented the chapter at the Boise Valley District competition. This year the competition was held at Meridian High School, on Thursday, January 29.

Speakers participating at the local level in the public speaking were: Carla Sellman, Crista Sellman, John Frisch, Tom Black, Julie Perkins, Suzanne Collett, Jason Tindall and Reed Beus. The winner of this contest was Carla Sellman. The title of her speech was "Beef is Back".

The extemporaneous speaking contest was held following the prepared speaking contest. Carla Sellman and Tom Black participated in this event. Carla Sellman also won this contest with a speech on the "Qualities of Leadership".

Each student who participated in either of the contests was presented with a prize. Prizes were obtained from the National FFA Supply Service, and Kay's Book Store in Mountain Home.

Judges for the evening were: Pete Merrick, Pat Beaman, Rick Hance, Charlene and Julie Perkins. Each of the judges was presented with a certificate of appreciation by the Rimrock FFA chapter. The winners of the contests competed at the district contest and proved to be tough competition for the rest of those competing.

### Marsing 7th graders are undefeated

By Bill Ahaus

The 1986-87 version of the Marsing Huskies 7<sup>th</sup> grade basketball team completed a perfect 6-0 season with a 26-14 victory over Wilder. Led by the scoring and rebounding of Tim Ahaus, the ball handling of point guard Kenny Ellenbaugh, and the clutch shooting of Benji Bowers, the Huskies came away winners in every game this year. Starters Roy Fouts and Donnie Blue came through consistently for the Huskies to help keep the string alive.

The Huskies' season began with victories over Notus and Nampa Christian before meeting a very tough Melba team. The 21-17 Husky win at Melba was the closest any team came to upsetting the young Marsing team. With victories over Adrian and a very good Rimrock team, the stage was set for an unofficial championship game against a once-beaten squad from Wilder. If Wilder could beat Marsing, they could claim the crown. But it was not to be for Wilder, as the Huskies roared to an 11-0 lead in the 2<sup>nd</sup> period, and finished with a 26-14 win. In that game, Cory Webb came off the bench to score 6 clutch points to help seal the victory.

"This bunch of boys worked hard and played unselfishly all season," says coach Bill Ahaus. "They're everything a coach could ask for in a team. It'll be a real pleasure to watch them as they mature into a top-notch team in the future."

### 50 years ago

### **February 15, 1962**

#### Board clerk gives financial report; rehire employees

Jim Duncan, clerk of the school board, reported that the school system is operating well within its set budget when he gave a financial report Monday night at the regular board meeting.

Bills announced to \$2,155.96 were allowed.

The board re-hired all non-certified personnel in the school system as follows: Mrs. Bessie Wolf, Mrs. Laura Combs and Mrs. Ruby O'Neal, hot lunch; Walt Adams, transportation director; Jim Duncan, clerk; Richard Eismann, attorney; and janitors, Shade Combs at the high school, Jesse Huddleston at the junior high school, Virgil Kindred at the Lincoln building and Mrs. Milla Dunn at the Washington school.

Re-hiring of the three school principals, Deward Bell, Clare Walker and Mrs. Elise Brown was recommended by Supt. Richard Frazier, who has accepted a contract previously offered by the board. All teachers in the system were offered contracts on recommendation of the principals.

The board accepted the proposed budget for the 1962-63 school year as well as a new salary schedule for school personnel

Supt. Frazier, in a report on the progress of the reorganization program, said that administrators of Marsing and Wilder schools had joined with him in determining that the three school districts have about \$600,000 bonding capacity at present and are paying off approximately \$27,000 per year in bonds.

An architect is being consulted to determine if a high school plant could be constructed for this amount, which would take care of the needs of the three communities.

Supt. Frazier also reported that the percentage of teacher turn-over since 1957-58 was much smaller than in previous years. The following figures were given by him in support of the statement: 1955-56 — 50%, 1956-57 — 60.71%, 1957-58 — 20.68%, 1958-59 — 15.62%, 1959-60 — 31.25%, 1960-61 — 18.75%. The state average of teachers leaving a school is 20%, he stated.

Mr. Frazier said he did not know the reason for the high percentage before he came here, however, in the last four years, three teachers have been asked to resign, seven left to accept positions offering better pay, two left to teach in towns where they resided, three teachers retired, another quit because of ill health, three moved with their husbands, three resigned to give birth to babies, and one teacher quit to continue his education.

### Area boys will vie for military schools

Two area boys are among 25 announced recently by Rep. Ralph Harding to vie for vacancies in the USAF, the naval and military academies.

They are Alfred J. Eiguren, Homedale, seeking to attend West Point; and Bruce G. Hansen, Marsing, wanting to attend the naval academy at Annapolis, Md.

### Three named to All-State choir

Three Homedale high school choral students have been named as a part of the All-State high school choir, according to Perry Kelley, Homedale music supervisor. They are Judith Jemmett, Sandra Cook and Jerry Hausauer.

### Building of hall discussed at J.V.

Construction of a proposed community hall in Jordan Valley was discussed by a large group of residents Thursday night of last week in the Jordan Valley High School.

The community has talked of having a community hall for some time for use as a site to hold large meetings, for presentation of musical programs, for dances, roller skating and other recreational facilities, according to Richard K. Beatty, principal of the high school.

A dance will be held in Jordan Valley February 24 as a benefit for the community hall, with proceeds to be used as a nucleus for a building fund. Money will be needed, Beatty said, for purchase of a site and for the construction costs.

### 140 years ago

### **February 10, 1872**

VALENTINE'S DAY. Next Wednesday is Valentines Day. Perhaps our young readers think that St. Valentine was a love-making saint. Not at all. He was a sedate Romish priest, who in the third century was cruelly put to death for his faith. After he was martyred, he was made a saint, and he had nothing whatever to do with the festival that bears his name, excepting that it happened to be held on the day consecrated to him — the fourteenth of February. Long ago, in ancient Rome, at a festival held during this month, the names of young girls were placed in a box, and were drawn out blindly by the young men. The youth who thus obtained a maiden's name felt bound to do her all the homage and honor he could, and this often led to marriage. Centuries afterward, this curious February custom was still observed in other places, as well as in Rome. The people believed that on Valentine's Day birds chose their mates, and so they playfully pretended to think it quite a settled thing that the young man and woman whose names chanced to come out together in a Valentine lottery should be faithful sweethearts evermore. It was formerly the custom to present one's Valentine with a gift. These gifts sometimes were very expensive jewelry, but oftener they consisted of a pretty ribbon, a bouquet, or some simple token. With these went a dainty love-verse, written in the sender's most careful style, and fastened, perhaps, with a silken lock of hair, to be treasured by the Valentine as a precious offering. By degrees, it grew to be held a great part of the charm that the verses should be unsigned except by "Valentine," and then came the sport of trying to find this faithful admirer who spoke so sweetly in the dark.

TWEED AND CALEB LYON. Our readers can do as they please about believing the following paragraph which is now going the rounds of the press:

It is not generally known that when Caleb Lyon of Lyonsdale was appointed Governor of Idaho in 1865, he brought Bill Tweed out with him, and kept him at Boise City during the Winter of 1865-6. Tweed did not appear to have anything to do but sit around the executive office. But when, in the Summer of 1866, Lyon was removed from office, he carried away with him some \$60,000 which he hide as Superintendent of Indians. Tweed went back to New York with Caleb, and Caleb lost the money out of his carpet-sack while on the way from New York to Washington. With this starter Tweed went into politics, and has since developed into the boldest thief of this or any other age, while poor Caleb drifted out of sight.

THOSE PHOTOGRAPHS. Mr. Editor: Will you please inform us in your next issue what would be the probable cost of 1,000 copies of the AVALANCHE of Feb. 3rd, as many of your subscribers would be glad to see one of that date. Upon investigation it appears that the city circulation of that date, by some means or other, became the property of few of our good looking prospective husbands and fathers, who immediately sent them (AVALANCHE) elsewhere To such an extent was the outgoing mail swelled on the following morning, that Postmaster King was obligated to procure an extra number of sacks, and AVALANCHE stock advanced beyond the reach of many of our most respectable citizens. One individual offered five dollars in coin and a pair of thirty-dollar boots for a single copy, but could not procure it even at these alarming figures. Should you ever in the course of your eventful life again conclude to photograph our bachelors, please be more particular in distributing the AVALANCHE — see that each and every one gets it. Perhaps it would be well to announce in advance, in order that those wishing to send it to distant friends could order extra copies. Many Subscribers

We will furnish 1,000 AVALANCHE of the date referred to for \$225. Probably the best thing each of our subscribers can do is to take an extra copy and have it mailed to a friend abroad. Many of them do so already. It is our intention to keep up the reputation of the AVALANCHE for being one of the spiciest, liveliest and best local papers published anywhere. Subscription, \$10 per annum; by carrier, \$1 per month.

### Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

# On the edge of common sense

## Feedlot consultants: A tribute

When I started practicing feedlot medicine in the late '60s, it was a fairly new specialty. Feedlots, as we picture them now in the Midwest and southwest, were not as common. But by the time I hired on with the Diamond A out of Roswell, N.M., 20,000-head yards were spreading across the country. They prospered in the more arid southwest because mud is the biggest enemy of feedlot grain. The Imperial Valley of California, the desert country of Arizona, and the Texas panhandle became popular places to feed cattle.

The veterinary profession also faced a new challenge, the herd health of 50,000 head of cattle on feed in one place! Most feedlot managers did not even consider a DVM on the staff full-time. Very quickly the job of "head doctor" became a feedlot occupation. But, all too often, they got in over their head.

A certain group of veterinarians responded by offering themselves as consultants. They would schedule regular, usually weekly, visits to the feedlots, to oversee treatment programs, processing of the incoming, and diagnosis of the sick and dead. To get the job done it was imperative that the feedlot employees, head doctors and processing crews, in particular, have a good understanding of animal health. So a handful of these consulting veterinarians began teaching rudimentary veterinary medicine to the feedlot laymen. This caused a grand uproar in the veterinary profession, "teaching laymen to do what veterinarians were licensed and trained to do." And it took many years before the profession, in general, recognized the reality of caring for confinement animals. But the consulting veterinarians of that time, the elite of our profession, now the highest paid of the DVM specialties, were royalty in my eyes.

They were like the Supreme Court, the Rat Pack, the font of wisdom for aspiring feedlot veterinarians like me. They roamed the plains of Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma and California like gunfighters; Paladin or Eliot Ness in a Cessna 182 mixing tetracycline powder and carrying blood tubes and necropsy knives. Names like Dehyle, Brimhall, Cerniga, Bechtol, Sheldon, Crane, Johnson and Rinker hung in the rafters of my vocabulary. They were the equivalent of Apollo astronauts exploring a new type of medicine that was not being taught in vet schools. I imagined they walked on golden streets. They were the epitome of what I could achieve.

Across the poker table from the vets were the independent consulting nutritionists. Gunslingers like Eng, Autry, Coolie, Erwin, Elam, Noftzinger and Algeo covered the commercial feedlot world like Secretaries of State, dispensing diplomacy, gossip and supplements like frankincense and myrrh.

Feedlot managers talked to each other about their consultants like they were their personal racehorses. Today, this specialty practice they invented has blossomed into the Academy of Veterinary consultants, some 880 members strong.

I feel I must make a disclaimer, the individuals I named were the generation before me. Each decade has brought in a new set of feedlot practitioners, professors, scientists, nutritionists and company vets. Their continuing contributions keep the bar rising ... and some of them are characters, too. But to the groundbreakers, wherever you are, retired on the porch, in the chronic pen, or with your hand up the back of a cow for ol' times sake, we salute you. You will always be our excuse. All we ever need to say is, "Well, that's the way the big boys used to do it!"

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

# Eyes on Owyhee On the right road

The pavement may not be smooth just yet, but the Homedale Highway District board of commissioners got pointed in the right direction Wednesday night.

The three men charged with making sure a vital portion of the Homedale area's infrastructure remains intact asked the Idaho Transportation Department for help in curtailing the devastating effects of heavy dairy trucks destroying the pavement on roads such as Johnstone, Graveyard Point and Nielsen Lane.

The enforcement of weight and safety regulations for the myriad 10-wheel semis careening on local roads should start this week.

The decision, which hopefully will be repeated by the Gem Highway District directors tonight to cover Marsingarea pavement, was a long time coming.

The timing of the decision, though, creates an interesting chicken-and-egg theory.

Did the commissioners' aggressive move come because of an influx of new information on how to deal with the problem?

Or, and I'm tempted to lean this way, was the decision fueled by an influx of new blood on the Homedale Highway District board?

In reality, it could be a combination of the two elements, but the ball really began rolling downhill on finding a solution after Scott Salutregui and John Demshar took their places on the board last year.

Salutregui ran a write-in campaign and defeated longtime Subdistrict 3 incumbent Mark Stimmel last year.

Also last year, Demshar was appointed to replace his father, Fred, as the Subdistrict 2 commissioner.

That left Subdistrict 1 representative Larry Prow as the veteran on the board. As such, he's now the chair, taking over from Stimmel.

At Wednesday's meeting, Prow sat back and let the young turks breathe life into the issue of overloaded manure trucks leading to broken-down roads.

It was a good move.

The two men weren't content to follow the "that's the way it is and there's nothing we can do" manure truck mantra. Instead, they dug in and searched for remedies to the problem.

They found out that, contrary to information they had receive, ITD was more than willing to help. They also discovered that state law allows restitution for road repairs.

And these men apparently aren't averse to reaching out to other road chiefs in the county to collaborate on fixing the problems they all face.

It appears Salutregui and the younger Demshar are ready to take the bull by the horns when it comes to rehabilitating the roads in their district. You can't ask for much more.

Sen. Mike Crapo

# From Washington Court, Congress ready to examine EPA's tactics

The Fifth Amendment to our Constitution states, "No person shall ... be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation."

Idahoans Mike and Chantell Sackett's case, *Sackett v. the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)*, which was heard by the U.S. Supreme Court on Jan. 9, shines a spotlight on the issue of our constitutional rights to due process. I feel deeply for the Sacketts, who have expended considerable time and resources pursuing this case and defending their rights, and welcome the Court's review. The Supreme Court's willingness to provide clarity on this issue has important implications for all Americans.

Given the deserved local and national attention, many are familiar with the details of the case. After Mike and Chantell Sackett obtained the proper permits from the county and began laying a foundation for their dream home on Priest Lake, EPA officials issued an "administrative compliance order" (ACO). The ACO ordered the Sacketts to cease construction, remove the foundation and restore the property because it is a wetland, or face up to \$37,000 a day in fines. If the recipient of an ACO disagrees with the legal conclusions on which the ACO is based, the recipient can either wait to challenge the order later when the EPA brings an enforcement action, but face possible large civil penalties if the challenge fails, or comply, sometimes at substantial cost, even though they disagree with it and the EPA may be wrong.

Faced with this dilemma, the Sacketts requested a hearing to review whether their land was a wetland, but the EPA denied the request. Seeing no other way out, the Sacketts sued the EPA. After five years and millions of dollars of possible fines, the U.S. Supreme Court is expected to make a decision in *Sackett v. EPA* by June.

The court is considering whether the EPA violated the Sacketts' Fifth Amendment rights to Due Process

when it declined their request for judicial review of the ACO. The EPA argues that the Sacketts do not have the right to challenge this decision in court until it brings an enforcement action.

The Sacketts, on the other hand, argue that they have the right to contest the ACO in court before the EPA can bring an enforcement action against them.

The EPA issues more than 1,000 ACOs per year. Because of the frequent use of ACOs, experts concluded that the effects from the Court's decision in *Sackett* may go far beyond the Clean Water Act (CWA). These impacts can reach beyond the Sacketts and Jack Barron, another Idahoan facing similar difficulty, and affect others faced with ACOs.

Like many of my colleagues, I have been concerned with the EPA's expansive interpretation of its enforcement authority under the CWA. Its use of administrative tools like ACOs is an example of how it has expanded its authorities under the CWA beyond what was conceived by Congress. As I have said on many other occasions, this is what happens when an over-zealous federal agency would rather force compliance than give any consideration to private property rights, individual rights, basic decency or common sense.

On Feb. 28, at my request, the Senate and House Western Caucuses will hold a hearing to investigate the impact of excessive and heavy-handed enforcement of environmental policies on property rights and jobs in the West.

The Sacketts' situation is a glaring example of federal government overreach. Like many Idahoans, I will continue to watch this case closely, and hope for a just ruling for the Sacketts that protects our constitutional rights.

— 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.



### Commentary

### Financial management

### Various insurances vital to guarding family's financial future

Dear Dave,

I've got auto insurance, but can you tell me what other kinds of insurance are good to have?

- Chris

#### Dear Chris,

The purpose of insurance is to transfer risk that you can't afford to take. Most people can't afford to have a heart attack and triple bypass surgery. Having to pay for something like that completely out-of-pocket would bankrupt just about anyone. That's why health insurance is a vital part of any good financial plan.

It's also important to have auto, which you do, and homeowner's insurance, too. If you don't own a home, make sure you have renter's insurance instead. Don't forget



about life insurance, either. If you're married or have kids, you should carry eight to 10 times your yearly income in a good, 15- or 20year level term life insurance policy. This means if you make \$40,000, you should have about \$400,000 wrapped up in life insurance.

Long-term disability insurance is vital. The cheapest way to get this is in a group. If you buy it yourself, out on the open market, you'll find that the rates are based more on your occupation than

a desk, it'll be a lot cheaper than if you work with your hands.

And don't forget long-term care insurance. You need "nursing home insurance" the moment you turn 60. It will also take care of you in your own home. The statistical probability of needing it before age 60 is about one percent, so I'd wait until then to buy long-term care insurance.

This kind of insurance can make sure you get the kind of care you want in your declining years. Plus, it can keep your nest egg with you and your family and out of the hands of the nursing home!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

your age or health. So, if you fly \$85,000 a year. We're debt-free, and we have no kids. We'd like to start saving money to buy some land in the near future. What percentage of our savings should we put toward this?

- Dennis

#### Dear Dennis,

I don't know if there's necessarily a specific percentage for this kind of thing. Because you guys are already debt-free, you need to make sure that you've got a fully loaded emergency fund of three to six months of expenses in place, along with retirement funding. In your case, anything else you have sitting around is simply wealth.

If you've got \$50,000 sitting My wife and I make about in a savings account in addition to these things, and you'd rather have \$50,000 worth of dirt instead of a bank account, I'm cool with that. It's really more a matter of ratios than percentages.

Dave

– Dave Ramsey's 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 \$ays, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027

### Letter to the editor

### Otter's help sought to solve flaws in representation

I take the opportunity of "Capital for a Day" to present to you a letter, delivered by hand, calling attention to two pressing issues.

No. 1: Taxation without representation

My connection to government is at the county courthouse. My assessment and taxes are paid at the county courthouse. Fines, levies, licenses, etc., all occur at the county courthouse.

Idaho has 44 counties but only 35 state senators. This does not keep counties whole. A shared senator, much like a shared dog, is nearly worthless. "Everybody's dog is nobody's dog." One man, one vote does not apply here.

No. 2: House re-apportionment

Each county should have at least one representative. This keeps the counties whole. This can be done without moving boundaries after each census. To wit:

Assign fractional votes to each county representative. This keeps each county whole while meeting precisely one man, one vote. The smaller county by population is guaranteed one voting unit. Say the smallest county has a value of one and the county next to it has a voter block three and one-half times, then the larger county would have three representatives with 1.1666 votes each. Any county may not have any representative value in excess of 1.5 or an agreed-upon fractional vote. The "bunker" number of representatives can be used to determine fractions. In the age of computers, this is no burden of counting votes.

Any effort of the Office of Governor to resolve these issues is appreciated.

J.A. Falk Murphy

The preceding letter, written to Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter the same day as his Capital for a Day visit to Murphy on Jan. 27, was copied to The Owyhee Avalanche.

### **Americans** for Limited Government

### President's State of the Union claims paint an inaccurate U.S. jobs portrait

by Bill Wilson

In the State of the Union Address, President Barack Obama attempted to convince the American people that the economy has turned the corner, things are getting better, and "we've come too far to turn back now."

Reading Obama's speech carefully, he noted the 8 million jobs that have overall been lost in the recession.

Then, he painted a rosy portrait by saying, "In the last 22 months, businesses have created more than 3 million jobs." But he's comparing apples and oranges.

There is a distinction between the Bureau of Labor Statistics' (BLS) measurement of private-sector jobs in the establishment survey and the overall jobs picture in the household survey. For obvious reasons, the narrower establishment survey does not catch everything. But most Americans who heard the speech probably thought Obama was saying the economy had created 3 million jobs overall since February 2010.

It was a distinction Obama again failed to make on Jan. 25, a day later, on the campaign trail in Iowa. Then, he said, "We have created 3 million jobs over the last 22 months." Again, implying the economy has created more jobs than it actually has. However?

According to BLS, since February 2010, when Obama starts measuring his claim that 3 million jobs were created, the amount of people employed has only increased from 138.66 million to 140.79 million, a net increase of only 2.13 million. While that sounds nice, that is a pace of just 96,000 a month, which does not even keep up with the growth of the population — which grew at a pace of 163,000 a month — let alone replace the 8 million jobs that were lost in the recession.

That means, when population growth and the loss of 4 million working-age adults from the labor force who have simply stopped looking for work are fully taken into account, the unemployment situation has not improved

We have an effective unemployment rate of 11 percent, and an underemployed rate of 17 percent. There are more than 27 million working-age adults who still cannot find full-time work, no thanks to Obama's "stimulus" policies. To lie about the horrific state of our economy and the plight of 27 million Americans who cannot find work is a crime against humanity.

The Obama administration is entitled to its own opinion, but not its own facts. Technically, if one looks singularly at BLS' establishment survey of the private sector, 3.1 million jobs were created by businesses in the past 22 months.

But that does not reveal the whole story.

Obama is creating the false impression that the unemployment situation is improving when as noted above we're stuck in the water.

The irony is that even if the overall economy had really created more than 3 million jobs in the past 22 months, we would still only be creating 140,000 jobs a month, still not faster than the growth of the population.

Obama is out of his league. It is time for new leadership who will honestly evaluate the situation and prescribe the pro-growth policies to turn the Ship of State around from sinking into the abyss.

— Bill Wilson is the president of Americans for Limited Government. Follow Bill on Twitter at @BillWilsonALG.

### Letters to the editor

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

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

- E-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
- Faxed to (208) 337-4867
- Mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
- Dropped off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

--Ed.

### Public notices

### 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

## ATTENTION: RESIDENTS OF GRAND VIEW IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER:

Effective January 1, 2006 the US Environmental Protection Agency reduced the drinking water standard for Arsenic from 50 parts per billion (ppb) to 10 ppb. The two Well's supplying water for the Grand View Water & Sewer Association, Inc. was tested on January 5, 2012 from Well # 1 and Well # 2 was 0.006 ppb, of which both well's are now below the 10 ppb Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) set forth by the EPA. This is not considered to be at the violation of the federal drinking water standard, however, EPA or DEQ have not released the testing requirements. The Grand View Water & Sewer Association, Inc. is still required to provide quarterly public notice of arsenic levels. Until such time as Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) notifies the Association that this notice is no longer required you will continue to receive this notice quarterly.

What happened? Arsenic is a natural deposit occurring element thought to enter the water source from contact with natural rock formations.

What health effects? Arsenic can cause adverse health effects, including cardiovascular disease,

diabetes mellitus, skin changes, nervous system damage, and various forms of cancer.

What is being done? On the second Wednesday of each month there are regular Water & Sewer Board and the City Council meetings at City Hall – 425 Boise Ave. at 7:00 pm. Questions are encouraged concerning your drinking water and other issues.

The last phase of construction is now complete. The Water Improvement Plant is up and running with great success.

What should I do? It will be each citizen's choice to use alternative drinking water (e.g., bottled) or drink Grand View Association's Water the choice is the total responsibility of each citizen. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your Doctor.

For more information, please contact Grand View City Hall - Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday from 8:00am to 5:00pm, lunch 12:30 to 1:30 – (208) 834-2700 - Closed all major holidays.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. The City of Grand View has notified owners of properties to supply copies to their residence. (For example, people in apartments, manufactured home parks, businesses and schools) You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Thank you, Helana Race Grand View Water & Sewer Association, Inc. Secretary / Treasurer

January 30, 2012
For 4th Quarter – October,
November and December 2011
2/8/12

### NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

E-21, Richard Cox, PO Box 791, Homedale, ID 83628. 9x16 with misc. furniture.

I-5, Lanny Shippy, 4358 Market Rd, Homedale, ID 83628. 9x12 with woodstove, wooden chairs and misc. household items.

I-14, Julie Norris, PO Box 263, Homedale, ID 83628. 12x12 with couch, microwave oven, hiking pack an misc. household items.

F-12, Sean Budd, 6572 Old Bruneau Hwy, Marsing, ID 83639. 9x12 with 1 set washer/dryer.

Live auction to be held Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm at Hwy 95 Self Storage located at 3685 Hwy 95, Homedale, ID 83628. All sales are final. Cash only. 2/8,15/12

### NOTICE OF HEARING FOR

# CHANGE OF NAME CASE NO. CV2012-02365 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

In the Matter of the Application of: Danny Keith Simmons, a.k.a. Daniel Keith Hall Petitioner, for change of name.

A Petition by Daniel Keith Hall, whose date of birth is: May 7, 1969, who was born at Nampa Idaho, and who is now residing at 520 W Nevada, Homedale, Idaho, proposing a change of name to Daniel Keith Simmons, has been filed in the above-entitled Court, the reason for the change of name being:

I wish to change my legal name to match all of my documentation of school records, social security card and military records. I have never used by birth name, I have always been known by the last name of Simmons.

The name of the Petitioner's father is Ronald Hall and his address is unknown.

Such Petition will be heard at 11:30 a.m., February 27, 2012, in the Owyhee County Courthouse, and objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the Court a good reason against such a change of name.

Witness my hand and seal of said district court this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2012

Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk By: Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk

1/25;2/1,8,15/12

# NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-2011-02323 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

MAGISTRATES DIVISION
In the Matter of the Estate

In the Matter of the Estate of MARJORIE M. SCOTT, Decedent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed personal representatives of the above named estate; that all claimants having claims against the above named decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or such claims will be forever barred; and that such claims must either be presented to the undersigned personal representatives of the estate at the address stated below, or be filed with the above named Court.

DATE: Jan 30 2012

/s/Linda Rodgers, /s/Shirley A. Anderson, /s/Charles E. Scott, Jr., Personal Representatives

Address: Shirley A. Anderson, 2349 State Hwy 19, Homedale, ID 83628

Richard B. Eismann, Attorney for the Personal Representatives, 3016 Caldwell Blvd, Nampa, ID 83651

2/8,15,22,29/12

### NOTICE

Agency: USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service

Meeting: Malheur County Local Work Group Meeting Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2012

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 2/8/12

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-2011-02344 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF

THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE MAGISTRATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ERMA JEAN

ZATICA, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named Estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claim will be forever barred. Claims must both be presented to the Personal Representative of the Estate at the law offices of White, Peterson, Gigray, Rossman, Nye & Nichols, P.A., 5700 East Franklin Road, Suite 200, Nampa, Idaho 83687-7901, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

Dated this 20 day of December, 2011.

/s/Steven P. Zatica, Personal Representative, PO Box 937, Homedale, ID 83628. 208-337-3919

1/25;2/1,8/12

### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

**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, AFOUND 1/2 INCH DIAMETER REBAR; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 13'20" WESTALONG 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 AŇGELA 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 SÉRVICES 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

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#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On May 29, 2012, at the hour of 1:00 o'clock PM of said day, at the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho, JUST LAW, INC., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows

#### Legal description attached as Exhibit "A"

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of 12946 Bailey Road, Melba, ID, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

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

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Eric J. Fritzler and Angela M. Fritzler, husband and wife, as Grantor(s) with North American Mortgage Company as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded January 6, 1999, as Instrument No. 227119; Modification recorded September 26, 2006 as Instrument No. 258249; Modification recorded April 14, 2009 as Instrument No. 267932, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to Midfirst Bank, recorded June 19, 2008, as Instrument No. 265399, in the records of said County.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (a), IDAHO CODE. RÉPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

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

Monthly payments in the amount of \$805.03 for the months of July 2011 through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$102,142.45 as principal, plus service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 7% from June 1, 2011, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.

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

Dated this 25th day of January,

Exhibit A:

In Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 18: That portion of Government Lot 3 of Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise, Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, lying South and West of the High Line Canal.

**EXCEPTING THEREFROM** Any portion thereof which may lie within the East 330 feet of said Lot 3.

Tammie Harris, Trust Officer for Just Law, Inc., P.O. Box 50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405. (208) 523-9106 FAX (208) 523-9146 Toll Free 1-800-923-9106

#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S **SALE**

On Thursday, the 24th day of May, 2012, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day at the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, on the corner of Hwy. 78 and Hailey St., Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Ryan M. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as

follows, to-wit: LOT 2, BLOCK 2 OF OWYHEE ADDITION TO HOMEDALE, IDAHO NO. 1, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY,

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, <u>Idaho Code</u>, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 716 Marion Dr., Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by ALFONSO ALBOR and KOSALINA OJEDA, Husband and Wife, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of FIRST SECURITY BANK, N.A., recorded August 24, 1998, as Instrument No. 225835, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on August 24, 1998, as Instrument No. 225836, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), <u>IDAHO</u> <u>CODE</u>. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLÝ RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated August 20, 1998, in the amount of \$126.00 each, for the months of August, 2011, through January, 2012, inclusive; and for each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reimbursement. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus any costs or expenses associated

with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 6.41% per annum from July 1, 2011. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$7,453.27, plus accrued interest at the rate of 6.41% per annum from July 1, 2011.

DATED This 24th day of January, 2012.

RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE 2/8,15,22,29/12

#### 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 purdom 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 Dba Pioneer Lender Trustee

Services. R-401624 1/18, 25;2/1,8/12

**SUMMONS** CASE NO. CV-2012-02355 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

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 Compliant. 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,

Clerk of the District Court /s/Lena Johnson, Deputy

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 **IDAHO, COUNTY OF OWYHEE** 

LILIA MARTINEZ, PLAINTIFF,

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 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 OWYHEEC OUNTY, 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

If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this

DATED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January,

Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk of the Court

Trina Aman, Deputy Clerk



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# 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 Henrioulle, 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/Español

### 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** warsing

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

#### Our Lady Queen of Heaven Iglesia Bautista Catholic Church - Oreana Palabra de Esperanza 2011 Mass Schedule -

the following Saturdays at 9:30am Homedale Feb.12 - March 12 - April 9 - May 14 - June 11 - July 9 - Aug. 13 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Sept. 24 - Oct. 22 - Nov. 26 - Dec. 10 Pastor Jose Diaz All are welcome! For more information, call Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031

#### Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC

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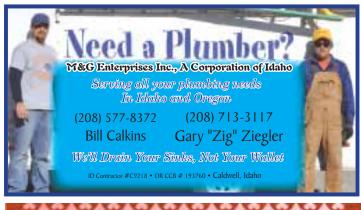
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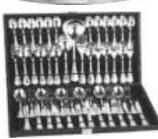
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