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Out-of-county EMTs now handling jail calls

MRW hands primary role to Melba after sheriff's request

An out-of-county agency will handle medical calls at the Owyhee County Jail

for the foreseeable future.

Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District board chair Doug Hipwell confirmed Monday that Melba Quick Response Unit will be the primary responding agency for the jail in Murphy after the sheriff's office requested the change in a letter to Canyon County dispatch.

"We are ... requesting that Melba QRU be paged out to service the old Owyhee Central QRU response area until further notice," the letter read in part.

MRW Emergency Medical Services, formerly known as Central Owyhee QRU, is the primary responding agency for the area in and around Murphy.

Hipwell said the switch became official after a Feb. 14 MRW board meeting at McKeeth Hall in Murphy.

Sheriff Daryl Crandall said that MRW still will be paged out first, but Hipwell says it's just as well that Melba handle the jail

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Skippin' so hearts don't miss a beat

Two students jump rope Thursday at Homedale Elementary School as classmates wait their turn during the annual Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser for the American Heart Association.



Marsing board sets four-day schedule for next school year

Trustees approve Monday through Thursday classes

Following the Marsing School District board of trustees approval last month of moving to a four-day school week for next year, a schedule was selected during last week's meeting.

With four options presented

by district superintendent Tracia Craig, the five-person board discussed the options of the school day's start and end time along with how long the winter break would be based on the four options.

Between the four options, the board selected the option that would see students from the high school and middle school beginning at 7:30 a.m. and being

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Free taco bar kicks off Bruneau Booster Auction on Saturday

Several donations will be up for bid Saturday for the annual Bruneau Booster Auction.

The event begins with a free taco bar at 5:30 p.m. with live and silent auctions to follow.

The auction takes place at the American Legion Post 83 Hall, 32536 Belle Ave., in Bruneau.

Some of the donations, which include items from local craftsman and services, include:

- Loads of gravel
- A Chuck Cecceralli Workman's Hitch
- Chuck Hall's rawhide bosal
- Gas grills
- Oil changes
- A denim bling purse
- A Jerry Kenke framed local print

- An Americana yard flag
 - Rya Buckingham's basket of goodies
 - A variety of gift baskets and gift certificates
- Auction donations can be dropped off at the Legion Hall from noon to 5 p.m. on Friday or from 10 a.m. to auction time on Saturday.

White elephant donations and new items will be accepted until Saturday night, and anyone wishing to donate or help can contact Judy McBride at (208) 845-2842 or Ginny Roeder at (208) 845-2282.

A raffle for lottery tickets donated by the Boosters also will be held.

In addition to the free taco bar with all the fixings, soda and water will be available for purchase. Pie by the slice costs \$1 each.



Bruneau's Bill Denton has framed David Stoecklein's Bruneau Old Timer print with wood and barbed wire from the Davis Ranch. Submitted photo. For more on featured auction items, see *Page 2*



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History, community infuse Bruneau auction donations

Many crafters contribute hand-made items each year

Quite literally pieces of Bruneau's heritage go into making many of the items featured during the Bruneau Boosters Auction.

Saturday's event is no different, starting with the centerpiece item of the live auction, which always features donations from local craftsmen and artists.



Jeremy Mink's conchos
nated a pair of brow band conchos
for this year's auction.

Mink, who calls Bruneau his hometown, has a long list of trades, including rawhide and leather braiding, knife making, blacksmithing, horseshoeing, jewelry making, boot patching, and chap making to name a few.

His motto is “Either make it or do without it”, and he lives his motto by being able to make just about whatever he puts his mind to.

The longtime Bruneau Boosters Auction contributor prides himself learning from his repair work, and from talking to other people in the trades he follows.

Mink's silver bit has been raffled at the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association summer meeting each of the past four years.

Forest Fretwell, Roland Christiansen, and Leon Gage are a few of the people who have served as Mink's mentors while he learned silver engraving.

Lisle, donates to the auction each year. This year, he has given a 12-strand, two-rein bosal.

He has dabbled in rawhide work for the past 18 years, but began seriously braiding about five years.

Though mostly self-taught, Lisle credits Chuck Hall of Bruneau and Charlie Lieson of Hazelton for helping him some.

His reins, riatas, underbridles and bosals have made their way into many friends' and family's gear, but mostly through trades and Webb's giving nature. He doesn't braid for a living, preferring to do it for enjoyment.

Webb prides himself on his work, overseeing every step of the process from preparing the hide to tying the finishing button, and strives to make each piece better than the last.



Webb Lisle's two-rein bosal

When not at her crafting business, Bachman works on the family ranch with bookkeeping and generally helping out when needed.

She's also a Owyhee Cattlemen's Association member.

Bachman comes from generations of woodworkers and crafts, and that has helped inspire her business.

Her style ranges from shabby chic and vintage to rustic and western.

Some of her creations include refinished furniture and antiques as well as handmade wood pieces, such as her chicken coop shelf.

A contributor to the auction for the past three years, Bachman prides herself on taking a forgotten treasure and giving it new life.

Homedale council takes up animal control issues Thursday

Dog license sales are up 24 percent in the past week, after news of proposed changes to the Homedale animal control ordinance.

But, the 36 licenses sold this year is still a far cry from a few years ago when the city reported sales in triple digits. The high since 2004 was 250 in 2006, while the low for a full year in the past seven years was

51 in 2004.

The Homedale City Council is scheduled to review the city's animal control ordinance Thursday during its second meeting of February.

The meeting starts at 6 p.m. at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

During the council's last meeting on Feb. 8, Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller proposed giv-

ing dog owners the option of buying a lifetime dog license for a one-time \$130 fee.

Eidemiller also floated the idea of offering dog owners the chance to implant microchips in their pets. The technology would allow Homedale's officers to scan stray dogs and contact owners when the animals are picked up.

further consideration, which could come at tonight's meeting.

The council also is expected to discuss a contract renewal for city trash hauler Westowns Disposal Inc.

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Bruneau-GV patrons face tax increase to save programs

Trustees seek \$850,000 two-year levy on March 13

The Bruneau-Grand View School District could face severe cuts in staff and programs if a supplemental levy election fails next month.

School trustees recently approved the election for a two-year supplemental levy that if approved would provide \$425,000 in each of the next two school years.

The election will take place from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13 at three polling places:

- Bruneau Elementary School, 28541 Benham Ave., Bruneau
- Grand View Elementary School, 205 First St., Grand View
- Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road, Oreana

Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Property taxes would increase \$116.02 annually for a homeowner with a house valued at \$100,000 with the homeowner's exemption.

The tax rate for a \$100,000 home with the exemption and \$100,000 in agricultural land value would increase \$348.06 each year.

In a Jan. 24 letter to patrons, school trustees and district superintendent Vickie L. Chandler laid out how the proposed levy would be used and why it's needed.

Even with the reduction to a four-day school week, district officials say all contingency and emergency funds will be used to get through the 2011-12 school year's budget.

"We have received \$900,000 less in general funding to our investment pool in the last five years," the officials wrote in the letter, "(And) \$500,000 of that reduction has occurred in the past

two years."

Other revenue sources also have dwindled, including a loss of more than \$100,000 with the elimination of the state's agriculture exemption replacement money and the loss of \$85,000 in state discretionary funds for technology.

Other funding formulas have been altered with new education reform legislation, according to the district's presentation.

The school district's enrollment, which is used to calculate state funding, has been on the decline over the past 17 years from 545 in September 1995 to 324 in May 2011. The January 2012 enrollment number was 333, but that's still 22 fewer students in the district than four years ago.

Trustees have instituted several cost-saving measures, including the four-day school week (\$75,000 savings) and moving sixth-graders to Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School (\$85,000 saved with the elimination of two full-time elementary school teaching positions).

Other measures include combining the superintendent and Rimrock principal position for a savings of \$60,000 and the elimination of portions of several other positions.

Even with all the reductions, the district's Jan. 18 presentation claimed new demands from state mandates would create a \$250,000 shortfall if the 2011-12 budget was maintained going forward.

As for how the supplemental levy funds would be used:

- \$350,000 would be used each year to maintain current programs and staff. The district's letter points out that further staff reductions wouldn't save additional money and that the district hasn't filled 16.5 positions that have been vacant since the 2005-06 school year.

"We've got schoolbooks that we haven't replaced for quite a number of years," Bruneau-Grand

View Zone 4 Trustee Joe Merrick said.

"We're just trying to update a few things along the way and get us back so we can ... teach kids and do a decent job at it."

According to a Jan. 18 presentation, the school district hasn't purchased new textbooks or a new bus in four years.

- \$35,000 for computer upgrades, including replacing dozens of 8-year-old computers used at the elementary schools. There are 30 computers that will no longer support software that the students use. Additionally, three servers that hold district records and provide programs for three schools will be replaced.
- \$40,000 to shift federally funded salaries to the general fund in preparation the reduction or complete elimination of federal funding.

Merrick said the trustees decided on the March 13 election because it is the only opportunity to pass a levy before the next school budget would have to be built.

"If we don't get it, I don't know what we'll do," he said.

According to the Jan. 18 presentation, a levy election defeat would lead to cuts in staff, maintenance, sports and supplies. The district also would look into selling property

The district has offered to make presentations about the levy. Patrons can get questions answered or make requests for a presentation by calling Chandler at (208) 834-2260 or the district office at (208) 834-2253.

The Powerpoint presentation about the levy also is accessible at www.sd365.us.

— JPB



Paul's spree winner tallies her take

Western Family Shopping Spree winner Samantha Agnew of Homedale looks on as Paul's Market manager Kevin Tycz rings up the items she grabbed during a two-minute sprint through the store Saturday afternoon. Agnew walked away with \$118.47 in groceries. Submitted photo



A bit of history on horseback

A group of Marsing children took a trip on a horse named Cricket in Garden Valley in the 1950s. The children included, from left, Karen Cossel, Ronnie Kiester, Jennifer Churruca, Allen Kiester, JoAnn Churruca, Judy Churruca, Dianne Kiester, Jim Kiester and, standing, Sharon Kiester. Photo submitted by Joe Churruca

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County vehicles heading for March Homedale auction

Commissioners OK new jailer, contemplate court security addition

The county will pare down its fleet of vehicles during a March auction in Homedale.

Following through on their intention to scare up some revenue to update the sheriff's office motor pool, Owyhee County commissioners declared nine vehicles surplus during their Feb. 13 meeting in Murphy.

The vehicles will go on the auction block during the Baker Auction Co.'s Open Consignment Equipment Auction, which begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 10 at the beet dump in Homedale.

"We had told the sheriff early on in the budget year that if he sold more vehicles, that would be money that would go toward another vehicle," Board of County Commissioners chair Joe Merrick said.

Merrick also said he recently learned from a deputy that the sheriff's office is contemplating replacing the van used to transport jail prisoners.

The vehicles heading for the auction block include seized civilian vehicles and surplus patrol vehicles from the sheriff's office, a probation office vehicle and a few vehicles from the county's two

road districts.

Most are pickups or passenger cars except for the 1987 Kenworth dump truck from Road District 1.

Another vehicle is an old Ford passenger car used as a TRIAD vehicle. Two patrol pickups — a 2005 Ford F-250 and a 2011 F-150 — also will be auctioned.

Proceeds from the auction will go into the General Fund from which the commissioners could appropriate money for new vehicles.

Earlier this year, the BOCC approved the purchase of two new Dodge pickups for OCSO patrol.

New jailer hired

Commissioners approved Sheriff Daryl Crandall's request to hire Anthony A. Anselmo as the county jail's newest detention deputy.

Anselmo was scheduled to start work Tuesday and will make \$13.34 per hour.

Merrick said he understood from Chief Deputy Kenny Hoagland's testimony at last week's BOCC meeting that Anselmo will replace Jim Mackenzie as a jailer.

Mackenzie apparently will move back to dispatch to take the place

of Kenny Black, who left OCSO employment early last week.

Hoagland told the commissioners that Anselmo is a military veteran. The chief deputy also said the new hire is an emergency medical technician, adding that the skills would come in handy at the jail.

Anselmo was a finalist the last time OCSO made a hire, Hoagland said, and although he has no previous experience as a jailer he has been volunteering his time to learn.

Anselmo will attend the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) academy later this summer.

Hoagland said Mackenzie is scheduled to attend POST academy again in the spring.

POST has detention academies scheduled for May 13 to June 15 and Aug. 5 to Sept. 7.

Merrick also said that part-time court security guard Pat McCormick represented the sheriff Feb. 13 when he presented the commissioners with a letter requesting a second part-time security person be hired.

"It's just a person who would be on-call or fill in for Pat when he can't be there," Merrick said.

No hire has been made, but a candidate has been suggested, the District 3 commissioner said.

Sheriff reminded of law

In something of a preemptive strike, commissioners drafted a letter to reiterate to the sheriff that state law gives county commissioners the responsibility and authority to oversee the duties of elected officials as well as to manage and control county property.

"In accordance with these statutory provisions, any desired alterations to the layout, design or floor plan of the LE (law enforcement) building requires preview and prior written approval by this Board," the commissioners wrote in a Feb. 6 letter.

Commissioners urged Crandall to provide proposed plans if any changes are desired.

Merrick said the letter was in response to rumblings that Crandall was planning some alterations.

"We have heard he was going to

take some walls out and do some remodeling inside," Merrick said.

The commissioners also felt the letter was necessary because of previous history.

"When we were working on this 911 system, there was some electrical work done that we didn't know about until it was done," Merrick said.

Merrick said the sheriff also contracted to have water damage repaired in the jail kitchen without notifying the commissioners.

"We were getting ready to put out bids and heard the work was being done," Merrick said.

It's still unclear whether the county insurer — Idaho Counties Risk Management Program — will cover the kitchen repairs, Merrick said, because no claim or repair estimate was submitted.

— JPB

Ponzo indicted in Idaho

Former Marsing resident with alleged mob ties, Enrico Ponzo — aka Jay Shaw — has been indicted by a federal grand jury in Boise on 16 counts of firearms and identity theft charges.

Ponzo, 43, was indicted for the alleged unlawful possession of more than 34 firearms and on allegations that between March 1993 and his arrest in February 2011 he possessed "with the intent to use unlawfully" illegally obtained identifications.

Officials believe Ponzo possessed five or more ID documents between March 1995 and Feb. 8, 2011. The indictment also alleges that from September 1993 up until his arrest he "possessed and used" identification of nine people.

The indictment seeks forfeiture of his Hogg Road home along with personal property and currency from any unlawful activity.

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P&Z hearing first step in plan to establish new landfill

Public comment taken Thursday in Murphy

Officials have started the ball rolling on developing a landfill in the western end of Owyhee County.

The Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear the county’s Conditional Use Permit for the proposed Elephant Butte Landfill during its March 1 meeting in Murphy.

The hearing, which will include public comment regarding the application, is set for 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 1 inside the

Owyhee County Courthouse Annex, 17069 Basey St., Murphy.

The Board of County Commissioners submitted a CUP application and waived the \$3,000 application fee earlier this month. The fee would have been taxpayer money paid from the general fund to P&Z, which returns its revenues back to the general fund.

The application is the first step in the overall permitting process, which also will include engineering and site certification from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

“We’re just getting started, and we’re going to start process because it’s economically feasible now,” BOCC chair Joe Merrick

said.

The proposed 40-acre landfill site is part of a 1,300-acre parcel formerly owned by the Bureau of Land Management. The proposed Elephant Butte landfill site is located near Sommercamp Road’s intersection with U.S. Highway 95 several miles southwest of Marsing.

Merrick said that Idaho Department of Environmental Quality regulations require large buffer zones around landfills. The landfill would have an active area of about 28 acres and a primary buffer zone of 12 acres.

Jim Desmond, who is the county’s contact for the CUP, said if approved the permit will carry a

provision that it will be executed only if subsequent landfill site certification from DEQ is obtained. Among the steps for site certification is drafting a landfill operating plan as well as an operating manual approved by the state environmental agency.

Desmond said once the CUP process is complete, the county will seek approval for a rural exemption solid waste landfill. He said that limits the amount of trash accepted at the landfill to 20 tons per day.

“Any more than that (daily tonnage) requires more restrictions,” he said. “I anticipate this will be operated similar to the Bruneau-Grand View landfill or the old

Rimrock landfill.”

The county purchased the land from the BLM in 2007 with an eye toward having a landfill area for west county refuse when Pickles Butte in Canyon County reaches capacity. County officials began looking at the site in the mid-1990s.

Although the county took control of the ground, a Marsing-area rancher has grazed cattle on his former BLM allotment. That use will continue if the 40-acre footprint becomes a landfill.

East county trash continues to be hauled to the Bruneau-Grand View landfill, which is located on property that the county leases.

— JPB

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✓ EMTs: Crandall cites liability concerns as impetus for service change

as primary with MRW providing mutual aid if necessary.

“It’s just made an uncomfortable situation to have people who have worked for the agency staring over your shoulder when (MRW responders come into the jail),” Hipwell said. “So it’s better this way.”

Two former MRW emergency medical technicians — Jim Mackenzie and Lori Collins — are sheriff’s dispatchers.

Crandall confirmed Monday that there is at least two other certified EMTs on the OCSO office staff — Chief Deputy Kenny Hoagland, who is a volunteer with Melba QRU, and dispatch supervisor Sgt. Irma Shenk, who volunteers in Elmore County. Other sheriff’s deputies have let their EMT certification lapse.

“We have several other EMTs in the office,” Crandall said. “Some are certified and some ... have let their certification expire because the commissioners would no longer pay for continuing education and yearly re-certification.”

District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland seemed to contradict Crandall’s assertion.

“We put money into the budget

to train, and we have Haz-Mat funds that we can use for EMT (training),” he said. “They need to get started on it immediately and get trained up.”

Crandall said OCSO employees who are certified EMTs try to respond to a situation if they are on duty at the time.

“If we have certified EMTs on duty, we try to utilize them until the responding QRU units have arrived — if their duties allow,” he said. “But, for the most part in medical emergencies, we rely on the responding medical units.”

The sheriff’s office requested the service change in a Feb. 6 letter Shenk wrote on Crandall’s behalf.

Canyon County Sheriff’s Capt. Craig Hanson said his dispatchers will page out Melba QRU for Owyhee County Jail calls.

“We have to contact Canyon dispatch to page out Melba, so there is a lag time in doing that,” Crandall said. “We are paging out MRW first, but if we do not get a response in a minute, we are paging out Melba so there will be double coverage in case MRW can’t respond.”

Crandall said there is no Memo-

randum of Understanding for the change. There has been no discussion on whether Canyon will charge dispatch fees as it has proposed with Caldwell Police Department.

“We are hoping MRW can get back on its feet and continue the same in-county service that they have been providing in the past,” he said.

Hipwell and MRW Fire Chief Wes Anderson both said that the double-coverage protocol was already in place before the recent change.

Crandall said the change was made because of holes in MRW’s coverage in the wake of the departure of some EMTs from the agency as well as a liability issue involving one MRW volunteer who Anderson said is currently transferring his EMT certification from Alaska to Idaho.

“I was informed of some turmoil at the MRW fire station in which many of the EMTs quit,” Crandall said. “This left MRW in a position not to be able to respond to calls for service.”

The sheriff explained that while MRW still had five EMTs on staff, two worked during the day, one

traveled “extensively” and the others were not always available.

Anderson said two EMTs — Mackenzie and Collins — quit when the agency changed its name from Central Owyhee QRU to MRW EMS near the end of January. He added that personnel is constantly in flux for any volunteer agency.

“We’ve always had people moving out,” Anderson said. “I mean, we’re talking about a volunteer group. We are all the time trying to keep a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week coverage.”

Crandall said MRW’s personnel shortage created a liability issue during recent calls to tend to a female inmate.

The sheriff said a first-responder claimed to have EMT certification in Alaska but wasn’t certified in Idaho. He came to the jail on the first call with MRW EMTs and performed EMT functions, Crandall said.

On the second call, he came alone.

“If something was to go wrong and we knew he was uncertified and still allowed him to act as (an) EMT, the liability would have been on the sheriff’s office

and the county,” Crandall said. “We cannot in good faith allow or expose this type of liability to the county.”

Anderson explained that the volunteer in question was the driver during the first call and began performing duties at the direction and under the supervision of EMTs. The man showed up at the second call under the impression that a certified EMT was responding and he intended to help as needed.

“It sounded to him that there was another EMT responding and he was to meet him there,” Anderson said. “He couldn’t get that cleared up through dispatch because they were ignoring his calls.

“He never touched a patient and was looking for other EMTs when he was told to leave.”

Hipwell is well aware of the tenuous atmosphere in which volunteer agencies work because of work schedules and other demands.

“I think our EMTs work as hard as anybody,” he said. “They’re volunteers, and they do a great service and — 24 hours a day — they’re there to help.”

— JPB

✓ School: Trustees have yet to tackle question of new bus scheduling

released at 3:22 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Next year, school would begin on Aug. 14 and end on May 23.

The board also set a date — typically determined by parents of graduating seniors — for graduation of Friday, May 24.

The board agreed that starting the school year before the Labor Day holiday was the best option to keep the school year from running into June. By starting before the September holiday, the schedule allows for first semester finals in the high school and middle school to be completed before

Next year’s schedule

July 30-Aug. 3: Registration

Aug. 14: School starts

Nov. 19-22: Thanksgiving break

Dec. 24-Jan. 2: Christmas break

March 25-28: Spring break

May 23: Last day of school

May 24: High school graduation

students leave for Christmas break.

“With adding seven minutes to the day,

it allows for a one-week Christmas break,” trustee Michelle Jacobi said. “We want to keep the schedule as close to the current time frame as possible.”

Following a review of the four options, the board merged a portion of the “Schedule C” into “Schedule D” to create the new plan by adding seven minutes to the originally planned day that would have ended at 3:15 p.m.

“Seven minutes is a small amount of time for the students,” middle school principal Paul Webster told the board. “With that addition, it allows for the (one)-week break

for students during the winter.”

The approved schedule also accounts for the spring state sports tournament schedule providing students who are participating time to review and take finals before the last day of school May 23.

With the new schedule, the school will hold staff development days one day per month on a Friday. The development days will provide for additional training and collaboration for teachers and staff.

No decisions were made during the board meeting about adjusting the bus schedules or routes for next year.

— JLZ

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Homedale Middle School

First semester Eighth grade 4.0 grade-point average — Aman, Megan M.; Pfost, Derek E.; Matteson, Lawsen J.; Johnson, Nash J.; Thatcher, Matthew P.; Lejardi, Michael J.; Correa, Maya F.; Bautista, Jennifer; Fisher, Madison L.; Cardenas-Ritzert, Orion S.; and Palacios, Raquel 3.99 to 3.5 — Schamber, Benjamin C., 3.83; Eaton, Lance M., 3.83; Burks, Dylan R., 3.83; Symms, Richard A., 3.83; Sanchez, Noe, 3.83; Stuart, Jordan L., 3.83; Parker, Andrew G., 3.83; Tolmie, Josh M., 3.8; Kelly, Shyanne R., 3.67; Conant, Madison N., 3.67; Corta, Tristan A., 3.67; Egurrola, Kirsten, 3.67; Geertson, Brandon, 3.67; Salutregui, Adrianna C., 3.67; Martell, Chase D., 3.67; Aberasturi, Makayla M., 3.6; Hansen, Brady J., 3.6; Martell, Hailie M., 3.6; Robles, Jennifer A., 3.6; Shanley, Sydnee R., 3.6; Macias, Manuel, 3.5; Lane, Victoria B., 3.5; Morgan, Sage A., 3.5; Hileman, Abigail A., 3.5; Hernandez, Myrna N., 3.5; Rose, Justine B., 3.5; and Machuca, Gardenia G., 3.5 3.49 to 3.0 — Gibbens, Abigayle, 3.4; Steinmetz, Makayla	R., 3.4; Gonzalez, Miguel, 3.33; Garcia, Shantay H., 3.33; Moreno, Stephanie, 3.2; Montes, Andres, 3.17; Larsen, Jaclyn M., 3.17; Luna, Andres F., 3.17; Carter, Connor W., 3.17; Falls, Jacob A., 3.17; Mendoza, Nancy, 3.17; MacLeod, Ezra D., 3.0; Jimenez, Nathaly, 3.0; Smith, Caleb J., 3.0; Martinez-Jimenez, Magdalena, 3.0; Christensen, Jacob T., 3.0; Gonzalez, Diana C., 3.0; and Phariss, Dylan M., 3.0 Seventh grade 4.0 GPA — Deal, Jacob W.; Jones, Sarah; Haun, Riley E.; Vega, Annelabel; Chavez, Angel; Gomez, John D.; McRae, Lindsey; and Romriell, Craig K. 3.99 to 3.5 — Downum, Hannah M., 3.86; Meligan, Caleb C., 3.86; McMichael, Emma L., 3.86; Bedolla, Samantha J., 3.71; Carr, Tyson J., 3.71; Randall, Ryan J., 3.71; Sawyer, Carlie M., 3.71; Renteria, Savannah B., 3.57; Harris, Merissa A., 3.57; Eiguren, Tyler J., 3.57; Monreal, Adrian R., 3.57; Holloway, Benjamin N., 3.57; Emery, Alyssa B., 3.57; Beebe, Rian J., 3.57; and Riha, Jason E., 3.5 3.49 to 3.0 — Uriarte, Maria C.,	3.43; VanWinkle, Ambyr N., 3.43; Maxwell, Megan S., 3.43; Fry, Bailey M., 3.29; Gray, Samantha D., 3.29; Denke, Leslie D., 3.29; Contreras, Diana B., 3.29; Conner, Alexis M., 3.29; Bowen, Logan A., 3.29; Troxel, Alyssa M., 3.29; Gierlich, Siri, 3.29; Kelly, Fletcher S., 3.14; Neil, Shantel-Christine M., 3.14; Martinez, Juan P., 3.0; Fleming, Annalea M., 3.0; Crifffield, Ryan J., 3.0; and McGhee, Levi R., 3.0 Sixth grade 4.0 GPA — Hilton, Jaylon L.; Pfost, Dillon S.; VanDyke, Jalyn; Johnson, Lainey J.; Nash, Kendall N.; Symms, Eva J.; Muir, Alexis S.; Mertz, Maxwell W.; Christoffersen, Cobey L.; Cook, Diana L.; Correa, Julia C.; DeMark, Miller B.; DeWitt, Kaylee E.; Santiago, Julia; Evans, Jessica M.; Fisher, Lauryn P.; Burks, Ashley B.; and Henry, Kaden I. 3.99 to 3.5 — Burright, Kennedee R., 3.86; Thatcher, Kendra J., 3.86; Salutregui, Lyndsey N., 3.83; Burks, Lindsey S., 3.83; Egusquiza, Hannah R., 3.83; Gonzalez, Nallely, 3.83; Hernandez, Maria I., 3.83; Martell, Gabriella M., 3.83; McKay, Tylee	C., 3.83; Morgan, Riley S., 3.83; Bell, Jeremy J., 3.83; McGee, Dana J., 3.67; Kelly, Dakota M., 3.67; Packer, Jesse M., 3.67; Robles, Valeria, 3.67; Bowman, Andrew D., 3.57; and Smith, Cortnee J., 3.5 3.49 to 3.0 — Bernal-Ordorica, Katelynn E., 3.43; Christensen, Ember E., 3.33; Packer, Jordan M., 3.33; Vega, Diana, 3.33; Merino, Alexis B., 3.17; Vega, Juan, 3.14; Raine, Alicia M., 3.14; Durrant, Skyler S., 3.0; Sickinger, Mia A., 3.0; Milburn, Miely D., 3.0; Uriarte, Jose E., 3.0; and Shenk, Allison T., 3.0 Fifth grade 4.0 GPA — Bowman, Morgan J.; Brown, Carson R.; Burch, Emilee S.; Campbell, Gunner H.; Carter, Amaya N.; Carter, Paige D.; Deal, Drew J.; Downum, Courtney M.; Grant, Alexandria K.; Hall, Josey L.; Hansen, Kaitlyn M.; Martinat, Jesse V.; Monreal, Melanie; Nash, Sophia; Rose, Jaegar L.; Schild, Randi D.; and Taylor, Kelsey L. 3.99 to 3.5 — Cardenas, Olivia J., 3.86; Cornwall, Nathan G., 3.86; VanWinkle, Courtney A., 3.86; Villa Ojeda, Jose, 3.86;	Villarreal, Mauricia V., 3.86; Aguilera, Amy B., 3.83; Albor, Cindy, 3.83; DeMark, Warren B., 3.83; Eiguren, Cole A., 3.83; Hernandez, Emely, 3.83; Ibarra, Carlos E., 3.83; Kelly, Makayla G., 3.83; Kincheloe, Mason R., 3.83; Farrell, Nathaniel J., 3.8; Allen, Amber Z., 3.67; Alvor, Aaliyah L., 3.67; Atkins, Lane S., 3.67; Mullins, Gwynneth K., 3.67; Phariss, Lindy R., 3.67; Rowland, Krushell H., 3.67; Vega, Maria A., 3.67; Vincent, Jaiden R., 3.67; Zamora, Dazsha N., 3.57; Binford, Kaden R., 3.5; Cortez, Ivan, 3.5; and Pigeon, Kelsie A., 3.5 3.49 to 3.0 — Stark, Sarah, 3.43; Thornton, Devon M., 3.43; Cortez-Neri, Gabriela, 3.33; Luna, Emmanuel, 3.33; Conant, Austin, 3.29; Contreras, Gabriel, 3.29; Steinmetz, Brady J., 3.29; Albor, German, 3.17; Bennett, Ethan J., 3.17; Kent, Emily M., 3.17; Knichel, Khristopher J., 3.17; Parker, Zion E., 3.17; Slawson, Jonathan G., 3.17; Tamura Obregon, Isabella M., 3.14; Almaraz, Ryan C., 3.0; Castro, Tatyana M., 3.0; Jerome, Charley R., 3.0; Lowder, Ty L., 3.0; Morse, Tell R., 3.0; Norris, Koryn N., 3.0; and Puri, Jason I., 3.0
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Marsing High School

First semester Highest honors (4.0 grade-point average) Seniors — Deidrie Briggs, Annie Finley, Noah Morris, Evon Timmons, Rebecca Carter, Margarita Contreras, Shelbi Ferdinand and Myranda Payne Juniors — Alicia Garcia, Ashley Hull, Josh Larsen, Erica	Mendez and Kathlyn Welch Sophomores — Morgan Hall, Tristan Jacobi, Deanna Morris and Jacob Young Freshmen — Carley Bond, Billy Bowers, Courtney Bryant, Shannon Clover, Hunter Gibson, Benjamin Isert, Audra Kendall, Seth Morris, Destiny Reynolds, Jolene Sevy, Ashley Tank and Kourtney Welch	High honors (3.9-3.75 GPA) Seniors — Andrea Rodriguez Juniors — Andrea Anderson, Emma Anderson, Christian Fialho, Angel Loera and Chance Milburn Sophomores — Lily Bowers, Tanner Fisher, Raul Garcia, Courtney Jerome, Hudson Sauer and Asia Shippy Freshmen — Wyatt Barker,	Melissa Cuevas, Hayden Dines, Aaron Draper, Crystall Mitchell and Ann Quiroz Honor (3.74-3.5 GPA) Seniors — Blue Davis and Payden Dingman Juniors — Katlyn Barkell, Jason Galligan, Levi Knott, Miguel Leon, Elena Miranda, Taylor Petet and Favian Robles	Sophomores — Cheyanne Allen, Bailey Anderson, Mariah Kinney, Lane Sevy, Rebecca Sevy and Ashleigh White Freshmen — Deborah Arriaga, Susan Beaver, Garrett Briggs, Carey Dines, Logan Jensen, Lorenzo Lankow, Tinsley Morgan, Tristain Newman, Hailey Robison, Trevor Romans and Casey Yeingst
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Speeding sheep take spotlight for Homedale’s Story Time

The zany adventures of too many sheep in a Jeep will be read Friday at the Homedale Public Library’s Story Time for preschoolers.

“Sheep in a Jeep” by Nancy Shaw is the featured story for the 10:15 a.m. activity that also includes singing, music and snacks.

The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

For more information, call 337-4228.

The Homedale library is open 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Death notices

OPAL ACKERMAN, 88, of Jordan Valley, died Friday, Feb. 17, 2012 at an Ontario, Ore., care facility. A funeral service was held Monday, Feb. 20, 2012 at Jordan Valley Church of the Rock after a viewing.

MARGARET RANEY, 86, of Marsing, died Saturday, Feb. 18, 2012 in Nampa. Services are pending with Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell, 459-3629

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Calendar

Today
Bruneau Valley Library preschool program
10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., ages 2-4, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131
Preschool story time
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690 weekday afternoons
After-school program
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464

Thursday
Vision Church food distribution
2 p.m. to 4 p.m., donations welcome, Vision Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-5407
Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting
5:30 p.m., weigh-in; 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. meeting, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale. (208) 482-6893
Homedale City Council meeting
6 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641
Bruneau Valley Library District board meeting
7 p.m., Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131

Saturday
Bruneau Booster Club dinner and auction
5:30 p.m., free dinner, 7 p.m., auction, American Legion Post 83, Belle Avenue, Bruneau. (208) 845-2842 or (208) 845-2282
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

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

Monday
Knit and crochet session
1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2213
Board of County Commissioners meeting
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

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

Wednesday, Feb. 29
Bruneau Valley Library preschool program
10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., ages 2-4, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131
Preschool story time
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690 weekday afternoons
After-school program
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464

Thursday, March 1
Vision Church food distribution
2 p.m. to 4 p.m., donations welcome, Vision Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-5407
Owyhee County P&Z hearing
10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2095

Saturday, March 3
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

Monday, March 5
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
Grand View Mutual Canal Co. meeting
7 p.m., Grand View Irrigation District office, 645 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2350
HHS Drama Club production
7 p.m., The Device, Homedale High School old gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale

Tuesday, March 6
Grand View Irrigation board meeting
11 a.m., Grand View Irrigation District office, 645 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2350
HHS Drama Club production
7 p.m., The Device, Homedale High School old gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale
Ridgeview Irrigation District board meeting
7 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760
Gem Irrigation District board meeting
7:15 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760
South Board of Control board meeting
7:30 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

Wednesday, March 7
Bruneau Valley Library preschool program
10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., ages 2-4, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131
Preschool story time
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690 weekday afternoons
TRIAD meeting
1 p.m., Marsing Senior Center, 218 Main St., Marsing. (208) 337-4466
After-school program
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464
NOCWMA meeting
7 p.m., North Owyhee County Cooperative Weed Management Area, U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Old Bruneau Highway, Marsing. (208) 896-4544, ext. 102
Snake River Irrigation District meeting
7 p.m., Grand View Irrigation District office, 645 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2350
Homedale Highway District board meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Highway District Office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3500

Thursday, March 8
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

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SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature		
	(measured in inches)			Max	Min	Avg
				(measured in Fahrenheit)		
Mud Flat						
02/14	4.2	13.0	7.0	45.1	17.6	28.6
02/15	4.2	13.0	7.0	38.1	21.0	29.5
02/16	4.2	15.0	7.0	34.7	10.4	24.8
02/17	4.4	14.0	7.1	37.4	5.5	24.1
02/18	4.3	-99.9	7.1	46.2	22.3	32.9
02/19	4.2	-99.9	7.0	35.8	14.0	27.7
02/20	4.3	14.0	7.0	33.6	7.5	20.3
Reynolds Creek						
02/14	1.2	1.0	8.1	36.9	24.3	29.7
02/15	1.5	4.0	8.4	35.1	20.5	27.1
02/16	1.5	4.0	8.4	28.0	17.8	22.1
02/17	1.6	3.0	8.5	35.4	18.0	28.6
02/18	1.6	2.0	8.4	40.6	30.2	34.7
02/19	1.8	4.0	8.7	37.2	19.2	28.2
02/20	1.8	4.0	8.7	30.9	17.6	23.0
South Mountain						
02/14	8.7	25.0	13.3	38.3	22.3	29.7
02/15	8.9	30.0	13.7	31.5	21.0	25.9
02/16	8.9	29.0	13.7	32.5	18.0	22.3
02/17	9.0	28.0	13.8	38.8	18.3	28.6
02/18	9.1	27.0	13.9	44.2	30.4	35.4
02/19	9.2	30.0	13.9	34.7	19.2	27.1
02/20	9.2	29.0	13.9	30.4	16.3	21.7

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 75 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 347 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore. at a rate of 53 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 532,696 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

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

Marsing FFA hosts successful donkey basketball

by Becky Carter
chapter reporter

On Feb.13, Marsing FFA held their annual donkey basketball games in the high school gym with an above average attendance for the chapter fundraiser.

Marsing FFA advisor Mike Martin reported there were about 25 percent more people in attendance than other donkey basketball events throughout the valley.

“I am always amazed how the Marsing community supports its students,” Martin said. “The number of people in attendance was remarkable. According to the owner of donkey basketball, our crowd for the game was above their average attendance. This includes the larger communities.”

This year there were several different community groups that participated. The first team was the Marsing High School seniors. The next team was a combination of several people including seniors, parents, firemen, teachers and coaches. Then there were two



Marsing's Joe Usabel and Lorenzo Lankow fight for the ball while Lankow is attempting to get on the donkey during the Marsing FFA Donkey Basketball game last week. Submitted photo

teams of high-point FFA teams.

There were many highlights from the event, but the best were when Austin Williams cleared the donkey as he tried to jump on; Coach Tim Little swishing his three-point shot; and Lacey Usabel holding on for dear life around the neck of the donkey upside-down with her legs.

The adults got lucky as they took first place against the first FFA team. The second FFA team took third place over the seniors.

It was a very entertaining night with face plants, dragging donkeys, or better yet, being dragged by donkeys.

Birthday

Dougal celebrates 94th birthday

Longtime Owyheean Frankie Dougal celebrated her 94th birthday on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012 in Jordan Valley.

The Cliffs, Idaho pioneer — and current resident — has lived in Owyhee County since her birth in 1918 and celebrated with many friends and family at the Basque Inn in Jordan Valley, Ore.

The former Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo parade grand marshal has three children, Charlene, Ben and Helen along with nine grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren.

Jordan Valley resident Evelyn



Loveland — Dougal's sister — also attended the party.

Senior menus

- Homedale Senior Center**

Feb. 22: Chili con carne, macaroni & cheese, carrots
Feb. 23: Pork chow mien, stir fry vegetables, rice
Feb. 28: Spaghetti w/sausage & mushrooms, salad, bread
Feb. 29: BBQ pork, baked beans, potato, bread
- Marsing Senior Center**

Feb. 22: Hawaiian pork over brown rice, curried coconut vegetables, tropical fruit salad, wheat bread, coconut crème pie
Feb. 23: Grilled chicken breast, fiesta blend veggies, spinach & walnut salad, brown rice, wheat bread, fresh fruit w/cream
Feb. 27: Breakfast buffet, French toast
Feb. 28: Lasagna, Brussels sprouts, garlic bread, peaches & pears, chocolate pudding.
Feb. 29: Grilled ham/cheese, tomato, salad, pasta primavera, oranges

- Rimrock Senior Center**

Feb. 23: Pizza, carrot, tomato salad, peanut butter cookie
Feb. 28: Split peas soup w/ham, grilled cheese sandwiches, vegetable platter w/ carrots, cauliflower, broccoli, pineapple juice, breadsticks, bread pudding



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Pony Express 4-H club officers were elected to new posts for the upcoming year. Back row from left: Brooke Labit, Amity Whitt, Brad Labit and Becky Carter. Front row from left: Isabell Clapier, Chane Carbonaro, Annie Miller and Christa Mayer.

Pony Express 4-Hers install new officers

by Chance Carbonaro
Pony Express reporter

On Feb. 14, the Pony Express 4-H club installed eight new officers for the upcoming year.

Becky Carter was selected as the club's president, Amity Whitt will serve as the vice-president, and Annie Miller was elected as the secretary.

Other officers include:

Sergeant of arms Brad Labit; Debbie Carter, treasurer; Chance Carbonaro, reporter; Brooke Labit and Isabell Clapier, refreshment committee.

The Pony Express club will be selling their Mothers Day flowers toward the end of April.

For more information on the flower orders, call Debbie at (208) 880-6232.

FFA tractor raffle ramps up in advance of state conference

Following the success for last year's FFA tractor raffle, organizers are scouring the state to continue selling tickets to help benefit local FFA chapters and students.

Sid Freeman's efforts to rebuild a classic tractor and sell raffle tickets to raise money to help send FFA members from throughout the state to college have begun to payoff.

"We had \$23,600 in raffle ticket sales last year," Freeman said. "With the sales from last year, we will award 14 \$1,000 scholarships at the State FFA Convention in April."

Students statewide submitted applications for the FFA Antique Tractor Raffle Scholarship — which were due last week — for a chance at being part of the inaugural class of student's to receive the award.

One student from each of the nine FFA districts throughout the state will receive a scholarship. The remaining five scholarships will be awarded to other FFA students throughout the state based on the application process and selected by the Idaho FFA Alumni Association, Freeman said.

"If we reach our goal of selling 5,000 tickets, we will have 30 scholarships to award next year," Freeman said. "If someone is looking to put a place for a donation supporting the FFA programs, you can't lose. FFA isn't just cows and plows anymore. It truly is rocket science."

This year, Freeman is traversing the state displaying the 1952 John Deere B tractor that will be awarded during the state convention April 11-14 at the College of Southern Idaho campus in Twin Falls.

"We have logged thousands of miles taking the tractor from Eastern Idaho to Northern Idaho for chapter events," Freeman said. "The tractor is in really good shape, and for \$10 you get a chance to win it or a Traeger grill as a secondary prize donated by Campbell Tractor."

Each of the chapters across the state have been issued 60 \$10 tickets. From the ticket sales, 60 percent of the money will be set aside for FFA scholarships, 25 percent will go to the Idaho FFA Foundation and five percent will go to the chapter designated on the winning ticket. The remaining 10 percent will be used for future tractor purchases and promotion expenses.



Homedale FFA member Lydia Aman sells tickets for the Antique Tractor Raffle Scholarship for a 1952 John Deere B that will be awarded during the annual FFA Convention in Twin Falls in April.

Currently, Freeman has eight other tractors that were donated to help carry the program into the future. Freeman said he still has some work to do on the donated tractors, but hopes to have them ready by the summer so they can attend county fairs and other events to help generate more support for the scholarship program.

"Last year, we had four tractors donated, which includes this year's tractor," Freeman said. "So far this year we have three more for sure and the possibility of another. It is overwhelming to see the support for a good organization."

— JLZ

Murphy woman fined for carrying pistol into Boise federal building last July

A Murphy resident was one of two women sentenced last week for carrying firearms into federal buildings in Boise.

Suzanne Dawn Cummins, 41, received a \$500 fine for carrying a Sig Sauer semi-automatic pistol into the James A. McClure Federal

Building and Courthouse. U.S. Magistrate Judge Ronald E. Bush sentence Cummins on Wednesday after she admitted to carrying the weapon loaded with a magazine with six bullets into the building on July 22, 2011. The gun was concealed in her purse.

The offense is a Class A misdemeanor.

According to a U.S. Attorney's Office press release, Cummins entered a guilty plea on Dec. 8.

During sentencing, Cummins apologized for the incident and explained that the gun had been at the bottom of her purse for a long time. She had forgotten she was carrying the weapon until it showed up on the scanner in the building's lobby.

A Nampa woman, 37-year-old Christina Marie Landon, was fined \$300 after pleading guilty to carrying a weapon into the Federal Building on Aug. 3, 2011. The holder of an Idaho concealed weapon permit said she didn't realize the loaded Ruger .380 caliber semi-automatic handgun was in her purse.

The Department of Homeland Security, Federal Protective Service investigated the unrelated cases.

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Feb. 24: Pizza or popcorn chicken, tossed salad, fruit, cookie
Feb. 27: Chicken tenders or country fried beef steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit
Feb. 28: Cheesy chicken noodle bake or fish sandwich, broccoli & cauliflower, fruit, animal crackers
Feb. 29: Chicken nuggets or finger steaks, carrots, fruit, cinnamon roll

Homedale Middle

Feb. 22: Beef or chicken taco, corn, fruit, fruit rollup
Feb. 23: Idaho haystack or corn dog, churro, fruit & veggie bar
Feb. 24: Chicken tenders or baked ham, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit
Feb. 27: Hamburger or hot dog, potato wedges, fruit & veggie bar, animal crackers
Feb. 28: Pizza hot pocket or popcorn chicken, green beans, fruit, cake
Feb. 29: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit

Homedale High

Feb. 22: Idaho haystack, baked potato or pizza hot pocket, fruit & salad bar, cinnamon roll
Feb. 23: Chicken patty, hamburger or cheese burger, potato wedges, fruit & salad bar, sherbet cup
Feb. 24: Crispito or rib-b-que, corn, taco salad, fruit bar
Feb. 27: Pizza, mini corn dogs or chef salad, fruit bar, brownie
Feb. 28: Chicken fried beef steak or chicken filet, mashed potatoes/gravy, roll, fruit bar
Feb. 29: Spaghetti or pizza hot pocket, string cheese, French bread, fruit & salad bar

Marsing

Feb. 22: Chili & chips, Malibu chicken, green beans, soup & salad bar, jello w/topping
Feb. 23: Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad w/ranch, egg roll, rice, soup & salad bar, chocolate chip cookie
Feb. 24: Cook's choice.
Feb. 27: Sharks & whales, rib-b-que sandwich, corn, salad bar
Feb. 28: Pepperoni pizza, PB&J, tossed salad, salad bar
Feb. 29: Cheese burger, fish sandwich, green beans, salad bar

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Feb. 22: Macaroni & cheese, deviled eggs, green beans, muffins, fruit
Feb. 23: Chili & crackers, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon roll
Feb. 24: Tuna on bun, fries, fresh veggie, fresh fruit, cookie
Feb. 28: Waffles, strawberries, whip cream, hashbrowns, ham, maple bar
Feb. 29: Chicken noodle soup, crackers, cheese yum, tossed salad, fruit

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Feb. 22: Taco salad, lettuce & tomatoes, refried beans, pears
Feb. 23: Lasagna, green beans, bread stick, apple sauce
Feb. 24: Pizza, salad, fresh veggies, pineapple
Feb. 27: Corn dog, tater tots, fresh oranges & apples
Feb. 28: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad w/dressing, garlic bread, fruit medley
Feb. 29: Finger steaks, potato wedges, green beans, roll, apple sauce

Homedale teams complete LEGO competition at University of Idaho

Two teams comprised of students from Homedale recently competed in the First Tech Challenge competition at the University of Idaho in Moscow with one team placing in the top 10.
Under the direction of the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, four girls and three boys built and programmed LEGO-brick robots during the FTC competition on Feb. 11 at the U of I with 32 other teams from across the state.

The girls' team, "The Click", placed eighth with the boys' "Beats Crew" placing 23rd overall during the weekend competition. The girls' team was supervised by VISTA volunteer Andrea Vega, and the boys were coached by Tony Aguilera.
"FTC is designed for those who want to compete head-to-head, using a sports model," Vega wrote in a press release. "Teams of up to 10 students are responsible for designing, building, and programming their robots to compete in an alliance format against other teams."

The teams program the reusable LEGO kits with a variety of programming language and are required to develop strategy and build the robots based on engineering principles.
The extension office was notified that the two teams were selected to compete in January and had only a little over a month to prepare for the competition.
The girls' team was comprised of 17-year-old Elizabeth Albor, Julie Hurtado (14), Brenda Vega (15) and Jackie Martinez (16). The boys' team consisted of 17-year-olds Christian Hurtado and Adrian Albor and 16-year-old Alex Albor.
The robotics program began in the fall of 2011 through funding provided by 4-H Tech Wizards and the Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention.



The Owyhee County 4-H robotics team learns how to program its robot with help from one of the judges. He was judging the software for the robots. The robot had to go through software and hardware inspection. Submitted photo



The Owyhee County 4-H robotics team members, who call themselves The Click, show off robot No. 4988, which earned them eighth-place in the 32-team First Tech Challenge in Moscow on Feb. 11. The team included, from left, Elizabeth Albor, Julie Hurtado, Brenda Vega and Jackie Martinez. Submitted photo



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Two Adrian wrestlers ready for state meet

Jordan Valley boys reach state playoffs

Avalanche Sports

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Freshman champ Fisher leads eight Trojans into State

Three Homedale wrestlers collect silver medals

Devin Fisher beat teammate Michael Deleon for Homedale High School's only championship at the 3A District III wrestling tournament.

Fisher won three matches and snagged the 113-pound title Saturday at Payette High School to lead a group of eight Trojans into the 3A state tournament.

The state tourney starts Friday at Idaho State University in Pocatello.

Homedale's contingent heading east bodes well for the future of coach Toby Johnson's program.

Half of Homedale's eight state qualifiers are seniors — Ismahel Mendoza at 170 pounds, Kyle Purdom at 182, Bodie Hyer at 220 and Jorge Hernandez at 285.

Deleon is a sophomore, while Andrew Randall (106) is a freshman and Brad McCain at 195 is a junior.

The top four wrestlers in each weight class earned a trip to state.

Four Trojans reached the championship matches in their respective divisions.

For the second year in a row,

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www.owyheeavalanche.com
Check to see first-round matchups for local wrestlers at the state tournaments.

Mendoza fell in the 170 final, this time losing as the No. 1 seed to second-seeded Matt Loughran of Weiser.

Loughran began his tournament with a 15-0 technical fall over Homedale's Dayne Jacobs. Jacobs went on to finish sixth.

Mendoza manhandled Cody Negri of Parma in an opening-round bout before getting a pin midway through the final period. He then beat Fruitland's Christian Ketchu to reach the championship round.

Deleon received a first-round bye at 113 and then used a late escape to cement an 8-4 semifinal victory over Parma's Chase Gries.

Fisher started his championship run with a technical fall over Parma's Vanessa Salazar. He reached the title match against Deleon with a pin of Weiser's



Homedale High School senior heavyweight Martin Calderon prepares to pin Parma's Ryan Higley in their opening-round bout Saturday in Payette.

Christian Overrides at the 1-minute, 23-second mark of their semifinal match.

McCain came away with a silver medal after losing the 195 title match to Weiser's Nick Stephenson. The top-seeded McCain had a first-round bye then beat Fruitland's Garrett Larson to reach the championship match against No.2 seed Stephenson.

Hyer earned a bronze medal, beating Weiser's JD Johnson in the third-place match at 220.

The senior pinned Drew Trent of Parma in 41 seconds, but lost to top-seeded Nick Zylka of Fruitland in the semifinals.

Hernandez wrestled into the state tournament after losing his opening-round heavyweight bout to Parma's Max Godina by pinfall 99 seconds into the second round. Hernandez then beat Parma's Oscar Camacho to begin his march through the consolation bracket.

He lost the third-place match to Payette's Ryan Higley.

Higley fell in the first round to Homedale's Martin Calderon. The Trojans' senior pinned Higley with 24 seconds to go in the first round to reach the semifinals, where he lost to second-seeded Thomas Sharp of Weiser. Sharp eventually won the district crown.

Calderon finished sixth at heavyweight.

Katie Renz (120) also finished sixth for Homedale, losing the fifth-place match to Parma's Fernando Hurtado.

Colton Grimm placed fifth at 182 pounds for the Trojans.

Marsing wrestling qualifies six for state tourney at ISU

MHS earn two silver medals, four bronze at districts

The Marsing High School wrestling team will send six wrestlers to compete in the 2A State wrestling tournament at Idaho State University in Pocatello following districts Saturday in Marsing.

The Huskies will send Ismael Hinojosa (145), Dillon Danner (152), Austin Williams (160), Bernardo Galvez (195), Noah Grossman (220) and Gage Ramirez (285) to the two-day tournament that runs Friday and Saturday at Holt Arena at ISU.

Hinojosa lost to McCall-Donnelly's Jake Butler in the championship match of the 145-pound division. Despite the loss, Hinojosa earned his second trip to State, ranking in the top three of his weight class.

"This is Ismael's second time going to state. He was ranked second going in," Marsing coach Rick Folwell said. "Butler is a good wrestler, and it was a battle. We expected Ismael would make it in the top three."

After falling in the opening round, Danner edged out New Plymouth's Anthony Graham for third place, earning his third

appearance at the state tourney as a junior in the 152-pound classification.

"This is Dillon's third time going to state. He just hasn't had a lot of luck at the state tournament level," Folwell said. "He works hard and is always in a weight class with tough wrestlers. I do expect him to win a couple. He knows what State is like and is a veteran of the process. I think he will improve on last season. Hopefully he will surprise some people and medal."

In an Owyhee County showdown, Marsing's Williams grappled with Melba's Troy Richardson in the 160-pound championship match. Richardson pinned Williams for the title. This is Williams' second trip to state in the 160-pound division.

"Last year when Austin went, he was in the same weight class and he was light for that division," Folwell said. "Austin is a beast and is really strong. He ended the season at 25-9 in his weight class. He has been improving in the last couple of weeks."

"Richardson is a veteran and is just as strong as Austin. Troy



Marsing's Ismael Hinojosa tries to break free from McCall-Donnelly's Jake Butler during the championship match of the 145-pound division during the 2A-1A District III tournament in Marsing on Saturday. Check The Owyhee Avalanche website for a photo gallery from the 2A-1A District III tournament.

has the leverage with longer arms and has a little more experience. It came down to experience and the leverage. Of any of our kids, (Williams) is the Marsing wild card that he could win it all."

With only three wrestlers in his division, Galvez qualified for state before wrestling a match in the 195-pound division at districts. Galvez opened districts facing off with Marcus Davis of New Plymouth and was pinned.

"Galvez is a first-time (wrestler as a) senior. He is one that has been ranked 10th because his weight class isn't that strong," Folwell said. "It is anyone's game in that class. Bernardo is determined and works really hard. Hopefully he can pull one or two wins off."

Marsing freshman Grossman (220) also was an automatic qualifier for the state tourney with only three entries in his weight class. Grossman wrestled Anthony Herrera of Melba in a semifinal match and was pinned.

"We expected all year that Noah would qualify," Folwell said. "He beats the older kids, and I think he will do well. He isn't that familiar with wrestling some of the older kids. This is his one and only sport he wants to be good at. He will win some at State and will be back next year and is one to really watch."

Huskies sophomore Ramirez was pinned in the 285-pound

— See *Marsing*, page 14

Sports

Lowder unloads 24 in Trojans' final game

Homedale High School's players came out of the game with the appearance that they wanted the boys' basketball season to continue.

By the end of the 3A District III Tournament play-in game on Feb. 13, however, the Trojans were heading home.

Parma roared back from a 13-point first-quarter deficit to claim a narrow 68-64 victory at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore., that closed Homedale's season.

Zac Lowder ended his high school hoops career with a season-high 24 points, and the Trojans (4-17) opened with 25 points in the first eight minutes.

But it wasn't enough to save coach Kenny Thomas' squad from its 10th loss in the season's final 11 games.

Homedale was unable to post a victory against any of its 3A

SNAKE RIVER VALLEY conference opponents. The Trojans lost the season's final four games after a 60-48 victory on the road over Vale, Ore., on Jan. 28.

The No. 5 seed Trojans came out with aggression, racking up a 13-point lead before the fourth-seeded Panthers began to chip away.

Seth Larson scored 21 points for the Panthers, who outscored Homedale, 19-11, down the stretch to grab the victory.

Lowder, who missed a good portion of the season with an injury, fired in a pair of three-point goals. Teammate Kade Eiguren, a junior, hit three treys and all six of his free throws for 17 points.

Trey Corta added 12 points to round out the Trojans' top scorers.

Parma lost in the district semifinal Wednesday night, 65-46, to top-seeded Weiser.

Homedale's youth bowling champions crowned

The Homedale Youth Bowling League held its City Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 11.

More than \$850 in scholarship money was awarded.

Doubles – 1. Aidan Fogg and Angel Ryals; 2. Shyanne Kelly

and Fletcher Kelly; 3. Caleb Oviedo and Marshall Smith; 4. Hannah Radford and Kelsey Taylor

Singles – 1. Oviedo; 2. Brittany Hergesheimer; 3. Radford; 4. Katelynn Bernal; 5. Fletcher Kelly

Time runs out on Raiders' season

The Rimrock High School boys' basketball season ended Saturday night in Wilder.

The Wildcats blew open a four-point game with a 16-5 run in the third quarter, beating the visiting Raiders, 34-23, in an opening-round elimination game in the 1A, Div. I District III Tournament.

Rimrock (7-11) trailed 14-10 at halftime before Wilder (18-2)

seized control. The Wildcats began the tournament as the No. 2 seed out of the 1A Western Idaho Conference.

Ricardo Garcia scored eight points, and Austin Meyers added seven, but the Raiders could manage no more than eight points in any given quarter.

Rimrock converted just five of 17 free throws, with Oscar Gomez

knocking down two of four en route to six points.

Senior Clay Cantrell hit a field goal, but battled foul trouble all night before finally being disqualified with five infractions.

Wilder's Antonio Rocha scored all of his game-high 18 points from the floor, while teammate AJ Castellanos chipped in 11 points.

Ishida, Miller represent Adrian at state wrestling in Portland

All four Antelopes place at district meet

The Adrian High School wrestling team made the most of a "home" appearance Saturday in the 2A/1A District 4 Tournament.

The Antelopes, who were deemed the host school for the event at Nyssa High School, put half of its roster in the 2A/1A Oregon state championship meet, which begins Friday in Portland.

Sophomore Shane Miller will wrestle at 132 pounds, while 152-pounder Mark Ishida will close his prep career in the state tournament.

Miller opens his participation at the state tournament inside Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Portland against top-seeded Alex Herrera, a senior from Gold Beach.

Ishida takes on No. 2 seed Jaxon Ward, a fellow senior, from Lowell.

The state tournament features eight-man brackets, which means wrestlers need three consecutive victories to win the championship.

"As a coach, it is great to see our wrestlers peaking at the right time," Adrian coach Eddie Kinkade said. "They should all be proud of what they have accomplished during the season."

Miller and Ishida lost the district championship matches, but their silver medals highlighted a day in which all four Adrian wrestlers placed.

Freshman Zane Marquez was fourth at 106 pounds, while his brother Chance Marquez (160) wrestled back from a semifinal loss to finish third.

Miller lost to Jaden Bales of Imbler in the 132-pound final, while Ishida fell to Crane's Tanner

Titus in his championship match.

Zane Marquez opened his tournament with a pinfall against Wallowa's Luis Mendez, but then lost to Brock Hickman of Enterprise before dropping the third-place match to Isaiah Simpson of Pine Eagle.

After losing to Brock Hayes of Enterprise in the semifinals, Chance Marquez rallied with two straight victories, including the third-place triumph over David Madsen of Elgin.

Crane won five championships and ran away with the district championship with 230.5 points. Adrian's strong showing earned a sixth-place team finish.

"Being able to host the district tournament is a great opportunity, not only for the wrestlers but also for our home crowd," Kinkade said. "I would like to thank the Nyssa School District for allowing us to use their facilities, which enabled the Adrian wrestling team to host this tournament."





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Sports



MacKay Hall defends a New Plymouth player during Marsing's 60-49 loss in the District III tournament in New Plymouth last week.

Huskies drop tourney game to New Plymouth

Despite a strong showing from Jason Galligan, the Marsing High School boys' basketball team was dropped by New Plymouth in a quarterfinal matchup of the 2A District III tournament last week, moving the Huskies into the consolation bracket of the tourney.

The Huskies (9-12) played at North Star Charter in Eagle on Tuesday night after deadline for a chance at making it into the third-place game. For results from the game, check The Owyhee Avalanche website.

If the Huskies beat North Star,

they will have an opportunity to play the winner of Tuesday's elimination game featuring No. 2 seed Melba and No. 5 McCall-Donnelly on Thursday at 6 p.m. at Valivue High School in Caldwell.

Galligan scored 22 points in Marsing's 60-49 loss to the Pilgrims. The 6-foot-4 junior also pulled in eight rebounds, five steals and four blocks. Jose Acuna pitched in with 13 points and three rebounds for the Huskies followed by Miguel Leon with 11 points, six rebounds and five steals.

Lady Huskies earn in all-conference nods

Ashley Hull tabbed as Player of the Year

With a fourth-place finish in the 2A District III Tournament and a three-way league championship under their belts the Marsing High School girls' basketball players locked up spots on the all conference team for the 2A Western Idaho Conference.

Ashley Hull was tabbed as the league's Player of the Year, earning a spot on the first team. This is the second all-conference nod in recent years for Hull as she was named to the first team last year as well.

"I thought it was a great selection," Marsing coach Tim Little said. "Ashley has worked hard on both ends of the court. She was close to averaging 18 points per game — eight points higher than the next closest person."

On the season, Hull lit up the scoreboard, pulling in 352 points and averaging 16.76 per night. From the charity stripe — where she saw more time than any other Marsing shooter — she shot a team-high 76 percent, acing 114 of her 150 trips.

"Ashley was going to the line seven to eight times per night," Little said. "She wants

to improve and wants to play beyond high school."

Senior Andrea Rodriguez earned a spot on the second team through her work ethic that other coaches admired, Little said.

"Andrea is a workhorse, and the other coaches throughout the league admire her attitude and work ethic," Little said. "Andrea is a three-sport athlete (volleyball, basketball and track) and basketball is probably her third-favorite. Her work ethic and commitment definitely doesn't go unnoticed."

Rodriguez racked up 110 steals in 21 games and picked up the Lady Huskies' second-highest assist total, averaging 2.19 per game with 46 on the season. She finished the season second on the team with 132 points.

Both Deidrie Briggs and Lacey Usabel picked up honorable mentions.

Briggs picked up 101 rebounds on the season — 64 of which were defensive — and shot 54 percent from the free-throw line. The senior racked up 125 points in 21 games.

"Deidrie really came on in the second half of league and

offensively she doubled her scoring average in the last couple of games," Little said. "She is strong and gets a little bit of stubbornness in her and goes out and does it."

Usabel led the team with 51 assists and finished fourth on the team with 111 points. The junior shot 49 percent from the charity stripe making 23 of her 47 apperances.

"The sky is the limit for Lacey. With her commitment and working on her game she could be one of the best point guards in the league next year," Little said.

For the second year in a row, the man at the helm for the Lady Huskies was selected as the conference coach of the year.

"It is a nice honor to be recognized by the other coaches. It is what it is," Little said before directing the attention back to the girls. "The kids are what do this. They fill roles that we need, and we win games that people aren't expecting us to win."

"I have always had the attitude, if I'm going to ask the players to do something I better be doing it on my end. I am going to work as hard as I know I need to. The kids notice and when they know you are bought into them, they will work hard."

— JLZ

✓ Marsing: Takes all seven wrestlers who finished the season to Pocatello

From Page 12
semifinal opener by New Plymouth's Luke Harris, dropping

him into the third-place match. Ramirez squared off with Rimrock wrestler Winslow Steele

and pinned him for the win and a chance to represent Marsing in the heavyweight division at

State.
"Gage gets frustrated when he doesn't win, which is awesome,"

Folwell said. "Coming in as a first-time wrestler, he works hard and we have to control him a little bit against his teammates. He is dedicated and determined. He is fun to have on the team."

Of Marsing's seven district tournament entries, Brad Labit was the only one to not qualify for the state tourney. Labit was pinned by McCall wrestler Blake Julian in the third-place match but will still make the trip to Pocatello with the team.

"Brad worked hard this season and made it all the way through the year," Folwell said. "We will reward him for that work by taking him with us and hopefully he will get a taste of the tourney for next year."

Folwell said after talking with other coaches during districts, there is concern from many of the teams that only 50 wrestlers competed on Saturday.

"There is a frustration within our league about keeping the programs going strong," Folwell said. "We started with 14 and ended with seven because of grades, injuries and stupidity. This affected all the teams. We have to get something going to keep the sport going. The kids who stick with it the entire season see it pay off and hopefully it sparks some interest from other kids."

— JLZ

MARSING HUSKIES

Marsing High School
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145 — Ismael Hinojosa
152 — Dillon Danner
160 — Austin Williams
195 — Bernardo Galvez
220 — Noah Grossman
285 — Gage Ramirez

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Sports

Jordan Valley rallies from semis loss to reach state playoffs

Mustangs hold off Adrian boys for third place Saturday

The disappointment of a district semifinal loss didn't keep Jordan Valley High School down for very long.

But that doesn't mean the Mustangs didn't have to fight their way into the 1A Oregon boys' basketball state playoffs in the third-place game of the 1A District 8 Tournament on Saturday.

Jordan Valley surged ahead and then held on to beat archrival Adrian, 44-36, at Grant Union High School in John Day, Ore.

"The kids gutted it out and showed good composure down the stretch as Adrian made a late run," Jordan Valley coach Mike Workman said.

As the third seed from 1A District 8, the Mustangs (14-9) are on the road tonight for 6:30

p.m. MST game against Wallowa (12-12), the No. 2 seed from District 7.

A win puts Jordan Valley in the second round against District 6 champion Horizon Christian in Hood River, Ore., on Saturday. The winner qualifies for the double-elimination state tournament that will be played March 1-3 at Baker High School in Baker City.

Against Adrian, three starters reached double figures for Jordan Valley, which rallied from a slow start to hold a slim 17-14 lead at halftime.

Ben Telleria led the Mustangs with 12 points, while Ty Warn logged 11 points and 10 rebounds. Nathan Easterday had 11 points and nine boards.

Jordan Valley out-rebounded

Adrian, 21-9, on the Antelopes' glass despite being out-rebounded overall, 38-33.

Paxton Shira wrapped up a first-team all-tournament performance with 18 points and 14 rebounds for Adrian. All but one of his boards came on Jordan Valley's end of the floor.

Tommy Shenk scored two points for Adrian and was placed on the all-tournament second team.

Jett McCoy came off the bench with eight points and four rebounds for Adrian.

Friday: Dayville-Monument 53, Jordan Valley 43 — Held scoreless for the first three minutes of the fourth quarter, the Tigers went on a 17-7 tear to reach the district tournament championship game.

The Mustangs opened the final period with six unanswered points to tie the score, 36-36, with five

minutes remaining.

"We missed some really good looks down the stretch, which would have kept it close," Workman said. "We had to foul late."

Dayville-Monument's Justin Larson hit all eight of his free throws and led all players with 21 points and 17 rebounds. He had 13 defensive boards to thwart Jordan Valley's second chances.

Jordan Valley held a 19-16 halftime lead and slipped behind, 36-30, midway through the second half.

Easterday scored 14 points and grabbed nine rebounds despite four fouls.

Warn and Telleria scored nine points apiece for Jordan Valley, while Colten Winters added 12 points for the Tigers.

Thursday: Jordan Valley 63, Mitchell 28 — The Mustangs opened the district tournament

with a 20-2 run.

"We got off to a quick start," Workman said. "It was nice to get everyone playing time."

Jordan Valley was in complete control at halftime with a 31-point lead.

Three players reached double figures, including Warn, who led all scorers with 13 points. Telleria added 12, and Easterday chimed in with 10.

The team effort extended to the rebounding department as every player got at least one rebound and Jordan Valley dominated, 44-23. Blaine Moran led the way with six rebounds to go with his six points.

Tom Nelson came off the bench to hit all four of his shots en route to nine points.

Brett Domenighini led the Tigers with 10 points, while Kamil Duda pulled down a team-high nine boards.

Marsing junior varsity teams claim titles over New Plymouth

Junior varsity "A" team avenges 23-point loss to Pilgrims

With his team's only loss of the 2A Western Idaho Conference season coming at the end of the regular season to New Plymouth, Marsing boys' basketball junior varsity coach Lamon Loucks was nervous to take on the team who beat his squad two weeks before.

"I think the kids had a little doubt going in against New Plymouth after the beat us by 23," Loucks said.

The Marsing High School junior varsity A team wrapped an 11-1 conference season with a 54-52 championship win over the Pilgrims during the JV tourney at New Plymouth on Feb. 13.

Sophomore Emmanuel Lagunas paced the Huskies (17-6) with 16 points. Fellow sophomore Charlie Galvez picked up 11 points with Les Loucks and Chase Robbins each scoring eight.

"Emmanuel stepped it up in the tourney and was a totally different player," Loucks said. "He had no fear and attacked the basket and took it to New Plymouth."

"It was a real successful season. I know we have only made it once in the last five years, and to win it is pretty impressive. Our goal was to make the tourney, so with winning the tournament we reached all of our goals for the season."

In the opening round of the tourney — which was moved from Marsing because of a scheduling conflict — Marsing trailed the majority of the game against rival McCall-Donnelly until the final minute.

"It was crazy in the McCall game. We were losing the entire game and then came back to win 43-41," Loucks said. "Galvez pegged a shot in the final minute to clinch the win for us. If it hadn't have been for his shot, we would have been done."

"This was a big deal for them, and it will be a big confidence-builder for those moving up to varsity next year."



Marsing's junior varsity "A" team pose following their win over New Plymouth.

Junior varsity "B" earns back-to-back championships

Following up on last year's success, the Marsing High School boys' junior varsity "B" team capitalized on its 9-1 season to earn their second league championship in as many years with a 48-35 win over New Plymouth.

"These kids, man, they just play as a team and are very hard workers," Marsing coach Lamon Loucks said. "They are all good kids and there are no individuals. They play as a team. Other coaches comment

on how well they play together, and that is why they have been successful."

Against the Pilgrims in the championship game, Seth Hardy picked up 12 points followed by Juan Garcia with 11 and Jordan Garcia with 10. Brayden Glenn picked up four points in the win.

"Brayden had an off night," Loucks said. "He typically averaged 15-16 points per game during the season. He also picked up 60 percent of the teams'

boards. He was an animal."

Loucks said it was rewarding for himself and coach JW Chadez to see both teams work as hard as they did and pull off championships in the subvarstiy tournament.

"It is pretty amazing," Loucks said. "It is rewarding to see them work hard and end up with two championships. I know it was exciting for the kids and especially the parents and our fans."

— JLZ



The Marsing High School junior varsity boys' B team celebrate following their back-to-back district championships.



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Sports

Adrian girls beat rivals in district consolation final

Adrian High School ended its girls' basketball season with a victory Saturday in the consolation final of the 1A District 8 Tournament in John Day, Ore.

Madi Purnell notched 18 points and 11 rebounds in the Antelopes' 49-33 victory over archrival Jordan Valley at Grant Union High School.

The Antelopes (17-11) pulled ahead in the second quarter and then sealed victory with a 15-7 run through the final period.

The two teams were tied, 12-12, after the game's opening eight minutes.

Olivia Morton kicked in 13 points for Adrian, while Meagan Fillmore's 13 points led Jordan Valley (9-12).

Adrian took advantage of 25 Jordan Valley turnovers, too.

Friday: Adrian 34, Spray 31 — Purnell's double-double of 17 points and 15 rebounds helped Adrian move into the consolation final.

The Antelopes opened the second half on a 12-4 run to erase the 15-11 lead the Eagles carried into the intermission.

Nichole Orosco added seven points for Adrian, which outscored Spray, 12-4, in the paint and also prevailed despite

a 25.8 percent (8-for-31) shooting performance.

Lauren Fischer scored 14, and teammate Julie Seipolt added 11 for Spray.

Thursday: Prairie City 42, Adrian 30 — The Antelopes fell behind by 10 points at halftime and couldn't recover in their district-opening loss.

Nichole Orosco and Madi Purnell both battled foul trouble against the Panthers, who were the No. 1 seed from the 1A HDL West Division.

Orosco scored 10 points and collected four rebounds, while Purnell was limited to nine points and 10 boards.

Prairie City knocked down three of its 10 three-point attempts, and Adrian was just 1-for-17 from beyond the arc. The Panthers also dominated from the foul line, connecting on 15 of 26 chances, while the Antelopes were 5-for-11.

Senior Solona Mecham and freshman Amy Black scored 12 points apiece for Prairie City, which posted its eighth consecutive victory and 10th wins in its previous 11 outings.

The Panthers also dominated the rebounding, holding a 41-26 edge and ruling on Adrian's end of the floor by a 19-8 count.

AHS boys can't match Crane's output

Mustangs dominate Antelopes during district semi

There was no stopping Crane High School during its semifinal against Adrian's boys' basketball team Friday night.

The Mustangs poured in eight three-point goals and flattened the Antelopes, 66-30, on the way to the 1A District 8 Tournament championship.

No Adrian player reached double figures against a Crane defense that has sparked the team's 10-game winning streak.

Second-team all-tournament player Tommy Shenk scored eight points and grabbed four rebounds for Adrian. All-tournament first-

teamer Paxton Shira was held to eight points and eight boards.

Ryan Opie scored 22 points to lead Crane (24-3), which trounced Dayville-Monument, 69-47, on Saturday to earn a first-round bye in the 1A Oregon playoffs.

Adrian shot just 23.1 percent from the field (12-for-52) and was out-rebounded, 48-26.

Thursday: Adrian 39, Prairie City 36 — Shira couldn't out-duel the Panthers' Brady Doty, but his Antelopes were able to outscore Prairie City in the opening round of the district tournament.

Adrian rallied from a one-point deficit heading into the final quarter and overcame 20 turnovers.

"We knew this was going to be a dog fight," Ishida said. "We struggled with turnovers early, but Prairie City was not able to capitalize."

Shira scored 20 points and snagged 10 rebounds to dominate the scoring for Adrian. Doty had 23 points and 10 rebounds despite four fouls.

"They box-and-one Paxton all night, making it tough for him to get good looks," Ishida said. "But despite their defense he was able to go 8-for-9 from the field and 100 percent from the three-point line and free-throw line."

Adrian grad named top GNAC male athlete

Adrian High School graduate Maurus Hope earned top honors at the Great Northwest Athletic Conference indoor track and field championships Saturday.

The Northwest Nazarene University senior was named male athlete of the meet at Jacksons Track in Nampa after setting records and qualifying for the NCAA championships.

Hope won conference championships in the 400 meters and 200 meters.

His 48.45-second turn in the 400 earned him a national provisional qualifying mark as well as a GNAC meet record and the NNU school record. The run was the 17th-fastest this year in the NCAA Div. II rankings.

Hope is one-hundredth of a second off a national provisional qualifying time in the 200 after his 21.91 effort won the conference title and set the school record.

The NCAA Div. II Indoor National Championships begin

March 8 in Mankato, Minn.

Hope also finished second in the 60-meter hurdles, finishing in 8.52 seconds and earning all-conference honors.

He served on the Crusaders' runner-up 4x400 relay team (3:20.16), which brought another all-conference nod.

Hope was ninth in the long jump, clearing 21 feet, 6½ inches.

In all, he scored 28 individual points and accounted for 30 of the Crusaders' team points overall.

Fiberoptic network just beginning for Homedale schools

District set to buy technology to comply with Students Come First

With a new statewide emphasis on technology in the classroom, the Homedale School District has recently connected all of its schools through fiber optics.

Crews took less than two months to connect the middle school and elementary school to the existing network at Homedale High School.

"One of the biggest savings (is) we don't have to have servers at those buildings any more," district technology director Dave Holmes said.

The work was financed through E-Rate funding, which is derived from the Universal Service Fee that shows up on phone bills. Holmes said the district leases the network much like its telephone infrastructure.

The E-Rate program picks up about 84 percent of monthly fee for the system, while the school district pays the balance, which is less than \$600 per month. The E-Rate program paid for the equipment and installation.

Holmes said with the servers now in a central location and accessible through the fiberoptic network, the district won't have to replace the servers at the school sites when they wear out.

Servers cost about \$4,000 each, and typically need replaced in every building once every four years.

Before the fiberoptic network was completed, the schools were connected by a 20-megabyte wireless system. Now, there's a gigabyte connection between the buildings.

"It makes it a lot faster for those folks on the Internet entering grades," Holmes said. "The connection makes (the network) a lot more reliable."

The students benefit from the upgrade because use of the district's web-based PLATO system for curriculum enhancement and remediation is more efficient with the faster network.

"Data over the wireless is at the speed of sound," Holmes said. "Data over fiber is the speed of light. It's quicker and more reliable."

Video conferencing is now an option as well, which allows real-time meetings with officials in districts from around the state.

Crews bored from Johnstone Road under the HMS parking lot to install the fiber at that school. Similar work was accomplished

at the elementary school.

There already was a fiber connection between the high school and the district office, which neighbor each other on East Owyhee Avenue.

The fiberoptic network penetrates every classroom, which could serve as a backbone for the technology integration plan the district has launched to meet state Student Comes First mandates.

The objective of the district's plan is to improve student achievement and effectiveness of teachers through equal access to the technology and integration of the technology into the instruction plan.

Classroom Technology Funds from the state Department of Education will be used to purchase up to 15 interactive whiteboards (IWB) to enhance instruction in the classroom, subsequently increasing student achievement.

The district already had 13 whiteboards through 2009-10 Enhancing Education Through Technology (EETT) grant funding, and the HSD technology integration plan points out that more and more teachers have requested the devices to help in their classrooms.

Each teacher requesting an IWB will be required to



A worker moves innerduct piping used to house fiberoptic cable at Homedale Middle School during last year's project.



Innerduct runs into the crawlspace of Homedale Elementary School. Submitted photos

— JPB

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

February 26, 1987

HHS decathletes place second, qualify for state

Homedale’s Academic Decathlon Team placed second in the regional competition held Saturday at Meridian High School. This is Homedale’s first entry into the Decathlon which is in its third year and includes A-1 and A-2 schools as well as A-3.

To become an Academic Decathlete, an entrant must make overall top score in ten tests. Homedale’s Decathletes are Mike Griffith, Gina Ethington and Kelly Itano.

The local team not only placed second in regional competition, it was the only team to completely sweep an event, Language Arts. In this event, they topped every team, including A-1 and A-2 teams, except the teams from Bishop Kelly and Meridian. Eight of 12 contestants from Homedale qualified for state competition, being most probably the largest number of students from any team there to qualify.

Teams that qualify for state must place first in regional or, if second place, must have the highest of all the regional contests. The final reports from Regions I and II and V and VI will determine Homedale’s chance to compete in the State Decathlon at Boise State University on March 27 and 28.

Team members with the top scores were: Alan Middleton, math and science; Gina Ethington, math and social studies; Shawn Shelton, interview; Jeanie Jordan, language arts; Mike Griffith, language arts; Tessie Marmon, fine arts; Kelly Itano, essay; Tim Coleman, economics. Other team members were Mike Mansisor, Darrin Strickland, Becky Fuller and Noel Bailey.

Frank Craig, coach, expressed justifiable pride in his team with its great showing in its first year of competition and with only three seniors, Gina Ethington, Tessie Marmon and Darrin Strickland. The balance of the team is junior students.

Sen. Symms to “visit” HHS class via phone

Idaho Senator Steve Symms will be talking to the students in the Homedale High School government class today, according to word received Tuesday from the senator’s Washington, D.C. office.

The senator will make the visit by the use of a telephone call to the students from his Washington office. The students will then be able to ask questions and make comments to the senator.

Prior to the phone communication, Al Henderson, Idaho coordinator for Symms, will give a short lecture and slide presentation on Washington, D.C. government politics.

The senator’s “Washington Classroom Program” has been in use throughout Idaho for the past three years, and Homedale is the 59th such session, the spokesman said.

Symms is pleased with the program, stating, “The exchange we have in these sessions is important in more ways than one. It not only increases the students’ understanding of current issues and the mechanics of government, but it helps them realize their responsibility to prepare for “self-government”.

Cove dinner draws over 75

Between 75-80 persons attended the 70th annual Central Cove Pioneer Dinner held on Sunday at the Homedale Senior Center. Betty (Schutz) McKague of Pilot Rock, Ore., and Ruth Van Slyke of Lewiston traveled the longest distance to the affair.

Eloise Van Slyke, chairman, presented the program, which began with group singing of parodies on old-time songs with Karen Olsen as pianist. Mrs. Sidonia Morrison of Boise was presented a corsage as the only remaining member of the original Central Cove pioneers.

Roll call was answered by each persons recalling an event of life in Central Cove. Art Van Slyke gave highlights of the history that he is writing about Central Cove.

Colleen Lowder and Matt Paxton were named 1988 chairmen for the 71st reunion.

50 years ago

March 1, 1962

Tournament winners at Caldwell are listed

Middleton Vikings had little trouble with Homedale, ripping off leads of 9-4 and 21-8 in the initial periods before Viking coach Sam Willard sent in the subs with the defending tourney champs in front, 26-8 in their tournament encounter Thursday night at Caldwell.

The Vikings then coasted to their 17th win in 21 games, 41-18. For Homedale, it was the 17th loss in 19 games.

Eleven Middleton cagers broke into the scoring column with Dan Robinson’s 11 leading the way. Robinson now has 394 points for the season.

Parma-Marsing

Little Wally Nakano looked like a pretty big man to Parma as the 5-5 junior dumped in four points in the last 30 seconds to pull out a 41-38 Marsing win.

With the Panthers ahead 36-35, and only a half a minute left in the game, Nakano stole the ball and raced for a layup. Parma’s Ken Takahashi, who is two inches shorter than Nakano, then pumped a fielder in from the key, giving his team a 38-37 lead. It was Nakano’s turn again, and the miniature guard came through with a 15-foot jump shot to send the Huskies out in front for good. Jim Percifield added two more points to the winners’ margin with a pair of free throws after the final gun had sounded.

John Watts led Parma with 15 points while Ken McDaniels contributed 11 points and a fine floor game to the losing cause.

After the initial tournament tilt for both clubs, Marsing improved its season record to 10-11 and the Panthers lost their 13th in 20 contests.

Marisng auction scheduled for Saturday, Mar. 3

Final plans for the Marsing Community Disaster Fund Auction to be held Saturday, March 3 were made last Thursday evening at a meeting at the county agent’s office, according to Mrs. Faye Neel, publicity chairman.

Some tapes were cut for use on the radio. It was decided that each lady in the community would be asked to bring two pies whether contacted or not.

Monies raised at the auction, which begins at 10:30 a.m. at the Marsing grade school grounds, will be used to aid and assist individuals and families suffering serious illness, fire damage or other disaster, as well as to finish paying for the ambulance.

A tractor, calves, hogs, chickens, rabbits, hay, potatoes, apples, canned goods and many other items will be auctioned by Joe Church and Bud Grant.

Lunch will be served all day, with free coffee. A free show for the kids, a drawing for a steer, rummage sale and other attractions are planned. A gift will be given to the oldest Marsing area resident who has lived in Marsing the longest. The first auction sale for the Marsing disaster fund was held on March 4, 1961.

What 4-H Means to Me

By Nancy Haney, Stitch’n Stir Club, for Nat’l 4-H Week

In 4-H we try to develop the 4-H’s, our head, our heart, our hands, and our health.

To develop our head we work to understand other people and their ideas. We learn to reason, and that other people sometimes have ideas we ourselves never thought of. We learn to give as well as to take.

To develop our heart we learn to win and to lose gracefully. We learn we cannot always be right and we try to accept it. We meet new friends and develop old friendships.

To develop our hands we have projects and activities. We develop them further by showing others what we have learned. We take the advice of our leaders, parents, and county agents and put it to use in our projects.

To develop our health we try to put the good practices taught us to good use. We also have special health projects we can take.

140 years ago

February 24, 1872

NATIONAL BANKS. Three or four national banks failing in New York does not seem to have any effect on the financial affairs of the country. Under the old banking system such an event would result in a panic. The notes of these broken banks are not in the least depreciated. Their circulation is fully secured by deposit of government bonds in the national treasury. This feature of the national banks prevents all disturbances in the value of money in circulation. Nobody need have any care in receiving money, about the broken bank bills. They are just as good as any and can never become depreciated.

When we recollect the large amount of broken bank bills always in circulation by the constant failures of the old State banks, we are pleased to know that the losses in that direction are all stopped. Here is no such thing as shoving on the public four dollars of circulation for every dollar of security. The largest circulation is now limited, with the National Banks, to 60 per cent of the par value of the government bonds on deposit. Every dollar is safe against every contingency, and the losses to the public in broken money is unknown. Millions every year was thus palmed off on the people by the old banks, never to be redeemed. Whatever faults the present banking system has, this feature of it alone has made it popular with the public.

ONE TERM. A new Democratic principle has been started. It is the “one-term principle” for the Presidency of the United States. We find all the Democratic organs adopting it. In enthusiastic language they declare their readiness to go into battle with the one-term principle inscribed on their banners, trusting to conquer in that glorious sign. This looks well, doesn’t it, for a party which has given us nearly all two-term Presidents the country ever had? Look at the list: Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, and Jackson. The same party tried to re-elect Van Buren, but he was beaten. Five times, therefore, has this party come before the people with its candidates for re-election. It talks now about the “pernicious two-term principle,” and thinks those “Radicals” who propose to re-elect Grant very much in the wrong. They are monarchists, and their course suggests frightful dangers to the liberties of the country.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN. The weather for the past week has been rough — snowing and blowing as usual till this morning when it commenced raining and continues up to 9 o’clock P.M. making dirt roofs anything but agreeable. The only mines now being worked here are the Bay State and Hastings, operations on all the others having been suspended on account of bad weather and the snow filling up the shafts and tunnels that are not housed over. But during the past two days the boys have been briskly engaged in clearing the snow from shafts and tunnels in order to show their mines to Professor Eddy, an English gentleman who arrived here on the 15th inst. from Salt Lake City. Mr. Eddy is a practical smelter and assayer — and came to examine the mines, especially the Golconda, for himself and other capitalists; and for two days he has been faithfully engaged in inspecting and selecting ores from the following mines: Golconda, Galena, Mono, Arvica, Hope, Bay State and Yreka. Mr. Eddy leaves here to-morrow morning for San Francisco where he expects to meet some of his party. He appears to be well suited and speaks well of our mines. It would have taken him a month to examine all the ledges located here.

A BIG SNOW SLIDE. Last Sunday an immense body of snow slid from the summit of Florida Mountain down Black Rock Gulch, below Ruby City, covering the road to a depth of 30 or 40 feet and filling up the bed of Jordan Creek at that point. Some two or three old cabins along the creek were buried beneath it, but it is not known whether or not anybody was in them, although some Chinese miners were living there a short time ago.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense EnviroCred

“Since when did the term ‘environmentalist’ take on such a negative connotation?” This quote is from a letter-to-the-editor of a major metropolitan newspaper. “Sure,” it continues, “... there are extremists who make the evening news, but they are very much the minority...”

Maybe the first thing we should do is define “environmentalist.” It was not even listed as a word in my 1961 Webster dictionary.

According to the Internet I found three definitions:

- 1. advocate for environmentalism
- 2. one concerned about environmental quality especially of the human environment with respect to control of pollution
- 3. a person who protects the natural world from pollution and other threats

It seems anyone can call themselves an “environmentalist.” It just depends on how you define pollution, the natural world and quality. Since the definition is so vague, I suggest we have a means of evaluating one’s EnviroCred. Criteria would be based on 1) personal sacrifice, 2) realistic goals, and 3) actual reduction of pollution.

If you give up your job, leave your family and tie yourself to a tree, that might mark you a C+ Environmentalist. You get your picture in the paper but expect someone else to pay for it.

Say a person sells his house, takes all his savings and tries to buy the tree to protect it. That would be a B+ Environmentalist. Great personal sacrifice, but no guarantee you can force the owner to do something against his will.

Compare that to someone who already owns the tree and refuses to cut it down. That would be the greatest sacrifice — an A+ Environmentalist.

It is a matter of putting your money where your mouth is. Not the government’s money, but your personal commitment. It’s easy to be generous with somebody else’s money.

Those of us in agriculture are frequent targets for D-rated Enviro who decide that loach minnows are endangered. They are willing to sacrifice your land, your property rights, your labor, heritage and income to attain their goal. These Enviro are the most despicable. They are ready and willing to condemn somebody else’s property to build wetlands, roads, or army training grounds for “the greater good,” as long as it is not “in their backyard!” Often, those who are most passionate about an issue and prey on rural communities know the least about it! We see these self-important politicians, protestors, media pundits and celebrities pounding the table and orating, with all the EnviroCred of a monkey behind the wheel of a Maserati!

The label “environmentalist” has been grossly abused. Maybe to be called one, a license based on your EnviroCred should be required. One that embodies some personal investment, some knowledge, and one that is environment-specific. Then, in response to the letter to the editor, common sense and credibility would allow the title “environmentalist” to be seen in a positive light. Which it should be, of course.

— Baxter Black is returning to Owyhee County this year. He’s scheduled to appear at 7 p.m. on June 2 at the Owyhee County Historical Museum to cap the first day of 2012 Outpost Days. Visit Baxter’s Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including books and DVDs.

Sens. Mike Crapo and Jim Risch

From Washington Honoring Appleton’s life and legacy

Notably, Idaho ranks first in the nation for the number of patents held per capita. The vast majority of those patents are attributable to Micron Technology, Inc. Idaho is unquestionably home to many resourceful and innovative individuals — people who work hard to advance ideas that spark development and achievements around the world. Among them was Steve Appleton.

Following Steve Appleton’s untimely passing, many of us, including Idaho Gov. Butch Otter and our fellow members of Idaho’s Congressional delegation have mourned his loss and paid tribute to his remarkable achievements. We had the opportunity recently to honor Steve Appleton’s life and legacy in the U.S. Senate. The following is the content of our Congressional Record Statement:

“My colleague Senator Jim Risch joins me today in honoring the life of Steve Appleton. We are deeply saddened by Steve’s passing, and we join his wife, Dalynn, their children, family, Micron employees and his many friends in honoring his remarkable life.

“For more than three decades, our state was a fortunate beneficiary of Steve’s determination and hard work. A year after his 1982 graduation from Boise State University, he joined Micron Technology, Inc., and quickly ascended from working on Micron’s high-tech assembly line to leading the company as CEO, president and chairman. His talent and energy helped overcome significant challenges and shaped Micron into a multinational world leader in semiconductors. As Kurt Marko, a co-worker at Micron, poignantly described him, ‘Appleton personified Micron’s can-do spirit. He, and it, defied the odds.’

“Steve leaves behind a legacy of hard work, focus, integrity and generosity. He was driven to reach remarkable achievements and was generous in sharing the rewards of that hard work to better our state and future generations of



Idahoans. For example, he gave his time and financial resources to help Boise State University develop its College of Engineering; raised funds for scholarships, programs, buildings and projects, including the Appleton Tennis Complex; and established the Micron Foundation. Due to his efforts, our state and nation will be better equipped to compete globally.

“We were honored to have many opportunities to work with Steve over the years. His pragmatic approach was instrumental in achieving remedies needed to better ensure a level playing field for U.S. semiconductor products and address unfair trading practices. No matter the challenges, Steve faced them with optimism and sensibility.

“Steve’s adventurous spirit was widely known and well-documented. His passion for sports and competition contributed to him excelling in tennis, including winning the doubles title at the Big Sky Tennis Championship in 1982. Besides his love of aviation, he also was involved in a number of adventure sports, including off-road car racing, scuba diving, wakeboarding, motocross and more.

Steve Appleton’s energy and commitment to Idaho will not be forgotten. He has set an extraordinary example of what hard work and initiative in a free enterprise system can achieve. He helped create thousands of jobs and cemented Idaho’s standing in the high-tech field. His innovation, drive and forward-thinking approach, as well as his wonderful friendship, will be greatly missed.”

— 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. Republican Jim Risch was elected as Idaho’s 28th U.S. senator in 2008. He previously served as governor, lieutenant governor and state senator.

Americans for Limited Government
Insidious congressional earmarks also based in nepotism for some legislators

by Adam Bitely

In Washington, D.C., Congress holds the distinction of being the least popular group according to the people of the United States. Second only to Congress is the most hated form of government spending — the earmark.

I’ve always wondered why so many people focus their disdain on earmarks more than the larger and more conventional forms of spending. However, I do believe that a healthy skepticism of how Congress manages the money they take from the people is a good thing, no matter if it’s just focusing on the smallest form of Congressional spending.

Congress, convincing people once more that they are possibly the worst managers of other people’s money outside of Obama’s Department of Energy, has found itself in the public ire again after a new series of reports from the Washington Post. The Post revealed that the earmarking going on inside of Congress wasn’t necessarily done to benefit the greater good of the congressional district but rather to benefit the members of Congress and those connected to them, such as the institutions and companies that employ friends and family of congressional members themselves.

And get a load of this — Congress writes their own

ethics code, so in essence, if the code said that they could hand out earmarks to benefit friends and family it would be completely above board.

Last year, Congress imposed a two-year ban on earmarks after it became one of the central issues in the 2010 midterm elections in regards to Washington getting its spending habits under control. According to the Washington Post, “In 2010, the number of earmarks hit a new high: 11,320 worth \$32 billion.” That’s no small amount of money.

Getting the earmark ban in place was merely a symbolic move by congressmen who begrudgingly hinted that they might have a spending addiction. The national debt, which at the time of this writing is \$15.34 trillion, is still rising along with the rate of spending in Congress, and far faster than the economy is.

But what should be most troubling to Americans is that the earmarking process appears to have benefited family members of congressmen and women on numerous occasions. This is not a practice that should be punished with a two-year moratorium, but a practice that should be permanently banned.

According to the Washington Post report, “Some members of Congress send tax dollars to companies,

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Commentary

Financial management

How you apply knowledge — not college it’s from — is key

Dear Dave,
My son is a sophomore at a local college, and he wants to transfer to a very prestigious university. If he did this he would incur more than \$100,000 in student loan debt, and that’s with us picking up half of the cost. What do you think I should tell him?
— Will

Dear Will,
I’d have a hard time telling anybody that one school is \$100,000 more valuable than another one. The fact is unless he has \$100,000 lying around somewhere, he shouldn’t go to that other school for one very simple reason — he can’t afford it!
We hire people every week at my company, and where they attended college is a very minor



deal. There will always be a few corporate types out there who play games and try to turn the office into some kind of snooty country club, but the fact is most employers don’t care where you went to college.
It’s what you learn and being able to use that knowledge in the marketplace that’s really valuable, Will. Knowledge is king, and we live in a knowledge-based economy. If you can’t retain and apply what they’re teaching, then the only thing more worthless

than a college degree is a college pedigree!
— Dave
Dear Dave,
My boyfriend has a lot of debt. The other day a creditor called, and he wouldn’t answer the phone. Then, he told me it would be easier for him to pay off his debts if we were married because I could act as his accountability partner. I don’t want to be the money cop, and I wonder if he would truly be more motivated. What do you think?
— Janine
Dear Janine,
Someone who isn’t making any headway in getting out of debt while they’re single probably isn’t going to do a complete turnaround

just because they get married. You can act as his accountability partner if you want, but you don’t have to get married to help him. In fact, dating is probably a better way to do this, because you can determine whether he’s really changing, or if he’s just trying to get you on board to help pay the bills!
Don’t misunderstand, Janine. Debt, in itself, doesn’t keep someone from being marriage material. But you’re definitely not marriage material if you don’t work, you’re irresponsible, you haven’t taken control of your life, have no character or can’t manage your own behaviors. These kinds of people are going to stay in debt and not be able to pay their bills for the rest of their lives.
I’d say date this guy a little

longer, just to see if he’s serious about changing. But don’t get engaged yet, and don’t pay one penny of his bills for him!
— Dave
— Dave Ramsey is the bestselling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. His new book, *EntreLeadership: 20 Years of Practical Business Wisdom from the Trenches*, is available at retail outlets now. He also is the host of a radio call-in show. You can find tools to help with finances or previous columns at davesays.org. For more financial advice, visit the Web site or call (888) 22-PEACE. Have a question for Dave? Send correspondence to syndication@daveramsey.com or write Dave Says, 1749 Mallory Lane, Brentwood, TN 37027.

✓ Earmarks: Accepted unethical practice part of the problem in D.C.

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colleges and community groups where their spouses, children and parents work as salaried employees, lobbyists or board members ... A U.S. senator from South Dakota helped add millions to a Pentagon program his wife evaluated as a contract employee. A Washington congressman boosted the budget of an environmental group that his son ran as executive director. A Texas congresswoman guided millions to a university where her husband served as a vice president.”
As George Mason University professor of economics Russ Roberts wrote on his blog CafeHayek.com, “If what is legal becomes the norm rather than what is moral, we are all going to be very poor. The names of these people should be on the front page of the Washington Post every day until election day, and their constituents should vote them out of office regardless of what they have ‘accomplished’ with other people’s money.”
Using your political office to direct other people’s money for the gain of your own family is exactly what is wrong with Congress. This mentality is not new, and it is not going away no matter how many temporary bans are put in place. This is how the system is designed, and how it has worked for all of our lives. Perhaps these reports from the Washington Post will lead to Americans replacing members of Congress who could care less about wasting other people’s money for their own gain while bemoaning cuts to spending on other parts of the federal budget.
— Adam Bitely is the editor-in-chief of NetRightDaily.com. You can follow him on Twitter at @AdamBitely.

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
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We welcome letters to the editor

Public notices

SYNOPSIS OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES February 6, 2012
Payment of outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$106,980 Road & Bridge \$95,652 District Court \$3,759 Probation \$1,113 Health District \$4,275 Museum \$1,529 Indigent \$23,554 Revaluation \$213 Solid Waste \$8,927 Tort \$1,000 Weed \$63 911 \$1,820 Vessel \$107.
Approved tuition assistance to CSI Approved application for Condition Use Permit for Landfill to Planning & Zoning. Approved waiver of permit fee for landfill. Approved letter to Sheriff Crandall regarding alterations in law enforcement building. Approved 2011 weed control agreement with BLM. Indigent & Charity: 12-03 lien approved, 12-02 suspension approved. The complete minutes can be viewed online at owyheecounty.net or in the clerk’s office.
2/22/12

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That declarations of candidacy for the offices of Owyhee County Commissioner, District One; Owyhee County Commissioner, District Three; Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney and Owyhee County Sheriff must be filed with the Owyhee County Clerk’s Office, whose address is 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, 83650 no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 9th day of March, 2012. (I.C. 34-704; 34-708)
Such declarations are available at the Owyhee County Clerk’s Office at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, 83650 or at www.owyheecounty.net under the Clerk’s tab.
Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a declaration of intent no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 17th day of April, 2012. (I.C. 34-702A)
2/22/12

SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES BY OWYHEE COUNTY
On March 10th 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at Idaho Street and Hwy 95 in Homedale Idaho, Baker Auction Company will be selling Owyhee County Surplus Vehicles. Such auction will include the following vehicles for sale; 2005 Ford F-250 Pickup, 2001 Ford F-150 Pickup, 1997 Ford Crown Victoria, 1999 Ford Taurus, 1997 Ford Taurus, 1996 Chevrolet Pickup, 1991 Honda Accord, 1987 Kenworth Dump Truck and a 1997 Ford Pickup.
The vehicles can be previewed on Friday, March 9th. If you have any questions call the Sheriff’s office at 208-495-1154 or the Clerk’s office at 208- 495-2421.
Publication on 2/28/2012
2/22/12

NOTICE OF TAX SALE
Pursuant to Idaho Code §31-808, and pursuant to the Order of Sale recorded with the Owyhee County Recorder on August 22, 2011, Owyhee County will offer for sale on Monday, March 12, 2012, at 10:00 A.M. in Courtroom 2 of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, the following property:
Tax 6 and the Adjacent ½ of Abandoned Railroad Row Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, in Marsing, Idaho, and having a commonly referred to physical address of 4761 Titus Lane, Marsing, Idaho. Said

property was taken by tax deed, August 22, 2011, from Michele A. Carleton, parcel number RP 03N05W241818A.
Owyhee County offers the above property for sale without warranty or representations of any kind and is sold “as is”, “where is” without warranty or representation as to marketability, fitness for a particular purpose or representations concerning compliance with any Federal or State regulations. Owyhee County offers above property for sale subject to any rights, limitations, claims, easements, or rights of way that may exist. It is the responsibility of prospective bidders to inspect the sale property and to make themselves aware of any issues or potential issues concerning the sale of the property.
The sale is an auction open to the public and will be sold to the highest bidder, payable at the time of sale in lawful currency of the U.S. Treasury Department in cash or certified funds such as a cashier’s check. A minimum bid of \$5,650.00 is required which will include delinquent taxes; late fees; interest and costs, plus current year’s taxes and all other accruing costs.
The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids or offers.
Dated this 13th day of February, 2012.
/s/ Joe Merrick, Chairman, Owyhee County Commissioners
/s/ Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners
2/22,29;3/7/12

HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT THOMPSON ROAD REHABILITATION PROJECT ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Separate sealed bids for Homedale Highway District’s Thompson Road Rehabilitation Project, will be received by the Homedale Highway District, 102 E Colorado Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628, until 3:00 PM local time (MST) on March 1, 2012 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.
The project consists of constructing approximately 0.5 miles of a 3.0-inch thickness of asphalt paving, with a typical width of 22-feet on top of Recycled Asphalt Base Stabilized (RABS) section, including:
• 0.5-miles of Recycled Asphalt Base Stabilization (RABS) prior to paving.
• Approximately 1,075 tons of plant mix paving.
It is the intent of the Project Documents and Drawings to describe the work required to complete this project in sufficient detail to secure comparable bids. All parts or work not specifically mentioned which are necessary in order to provide a complete project shall be included in the bid and shall conform to all Local, State and Federal requirements.
The work performed under this contract shall be complete in its entirety on or before August 15, 2012.
There are no Federal funds utilized in this project.
The Project Documents and Drawings are available for examination at the following locations:
• Homedale Highway District, – 102 E Colorado Avenue, Homedale, Idaho 83628
• Paragon Consulting, Inc. –

157 W. 4th Street, Kuna, Idaho 83634 (issuing office)
• Associated General Contractors – 1649 West Shoreline Drive, Boise, Idaho 83702
• The Project Documents and Drawings may be obtained from Paragon Consulting, Inc., 157 W. 4th Street, Kuna, Idaho 83634, (208) 922-9138. Copies of these documents may be purchased for a non-refundable fee of \$50.00 for each set. A \$15.00 shipping charge, non-refundable, will be assessed on all mailed plans. The Project Documents and Drawings may be obtained electronically (by email) free of charge.
A pre-bid conference will not be held.
In determining the lowest responsive bid, the Owner will consider all acceptable bids on a basis consistent with the bid package. The Owner will also consider whether the bidder is a responsible bidder.
Before a contract will be awarded for work contemplated herein, the Owner will conduct such investigation as is necessary to determine the performance record and ability of the apparent low bidder to perform the size and type of work specified under this Contract. Upon request, the bidder shall submit such information as deemed necessary by the Owner to evaluate the bidder’s qualifications.
For information concerning the proposed work, contact Michael L. Kaes, P.E./L.S., Paragon Consulting, Inc., telephone (208) 922-9138.
Bids must be accompanied by Bid Security in the form of a bid bond, certified check, cashier’s check, or cash in the amount of 5% of the amount of the bid proposal. Said bid security shall be forfeited to the Homedale Highway District as liquidated damages should the successful bidder fail to enter into contract in accordance with their proposal, as specified in the Instructions to Bidders.
Homedale Highway District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive any nonmaterial irregularities in the bids received, and to accept the proposal deemed most advantageous to the best interest of the Homedale Highway District.
Date: February 1, 2012
Larry Prow, Chairman
2/15,22/12

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Idaho Council of Governments, the designated Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Idaho, announces its intent to accept proposals from interested organizations for the following services in Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley, and Washington Counties:
Caregiver Counseling, Congregate Meals, Home-Delivered Meals, Homemaker, Legal Assistance, Respite, Transportation
Proposers may bid on one or more services in any or all cities/counties. Contracts will be issued for two years. A contract may, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Southwest Idaho Area Agency on Aging, be extended for two one-year periods upon good performance.
An informational meeting to explain the structure of the Southwest Idaho Area Agency on Aging will be held on February 27, 2012 at 125 E. 50th Street, Garden City, ID from 10:00 am

to 12:00 pm.
Potential proposers must submit Letters of Intent to Bid to SW Idaho AAA, 125 E. 50th Street, Garden City, ID 83714 by 5:00 p.m. on March 5, 2012. Only those organizations submitting Letters of Intent will receive RFP materials and will be recognized proposers for the above services.
2/22/12

PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO AND IN FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE CASE NO. CV2012-2391-H
IN RE: Elias Rafael Santana, legal name of child.
I swear under oath:
1. I am the parent of the above child. My full name and current residence are: Ida Delgadillo, 109 N. 1st St. E., Homedale, ID 83628
2. Child’s Information: Elias Rafael Santana was born on February 24, 2006, in the City of Nampa, County of Canyon, State of Idaho and resides at 109 N. 1st St. E., Homedale, ID 83628. I want to change his name to Elias Delgadillo Tines.
3. The child’s father is living.
4. I want to change the child’s name because: the child has gone by Tines for the past two years. The child recently begun school and would like records to reflect on the name of last name of Tines. I further ask for this change to avoid any confusion for my child or difficulties later in life.
5. The name changes are not to avoid creditors or outstanding debts. None of these children are required to register as convicted sexual offender under Chapter 83, Title 18, Idaho Code, or under the provisions of similar laws enacted by another state.
A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:15 o’clock a.m. on 3-21-2012 at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name changes.
Date: February 7, 2012
Clerk of the District Court
Charlotte Sherburn
By: Cindy Chaves, Deputy Clerk
2/15,22,29;3/7/12

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 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 OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
On Thursday, the 7th day of June, 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 14, BLOCK 1 MORNING DOVE ESTATES SUBDIVISION NO. 2, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED NOVEMBER 13, 2006 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 258785, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.
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, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 705 Butte Ct., Marsing, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.
Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by LINDA K. MALMBERG, a Single Person, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., recorded September 25, 2009, as Instrument No. 269355, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on January 25, 2010, as Instrument No. 273423, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT SHE IS, OR IS NOT, PRESENTLY 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 September 23, 2009, in the amount of \$693.00 each, for the months of July, 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 5.56% per annum from June 1, 2011. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$99,731.32, plus accrued interest at the rate of 5.56% per annum from June 1, 2011.
DATED This 7th day of February, 2012.
RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE
2/22,29;3/7,14/12

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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 to wit:

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 damages.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by 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. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT,

PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows:

Monthly payments in the amount of \$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, 2012.

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.

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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, IDAHO.

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, Idaho Code, 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 ROSALINA 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), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, 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.

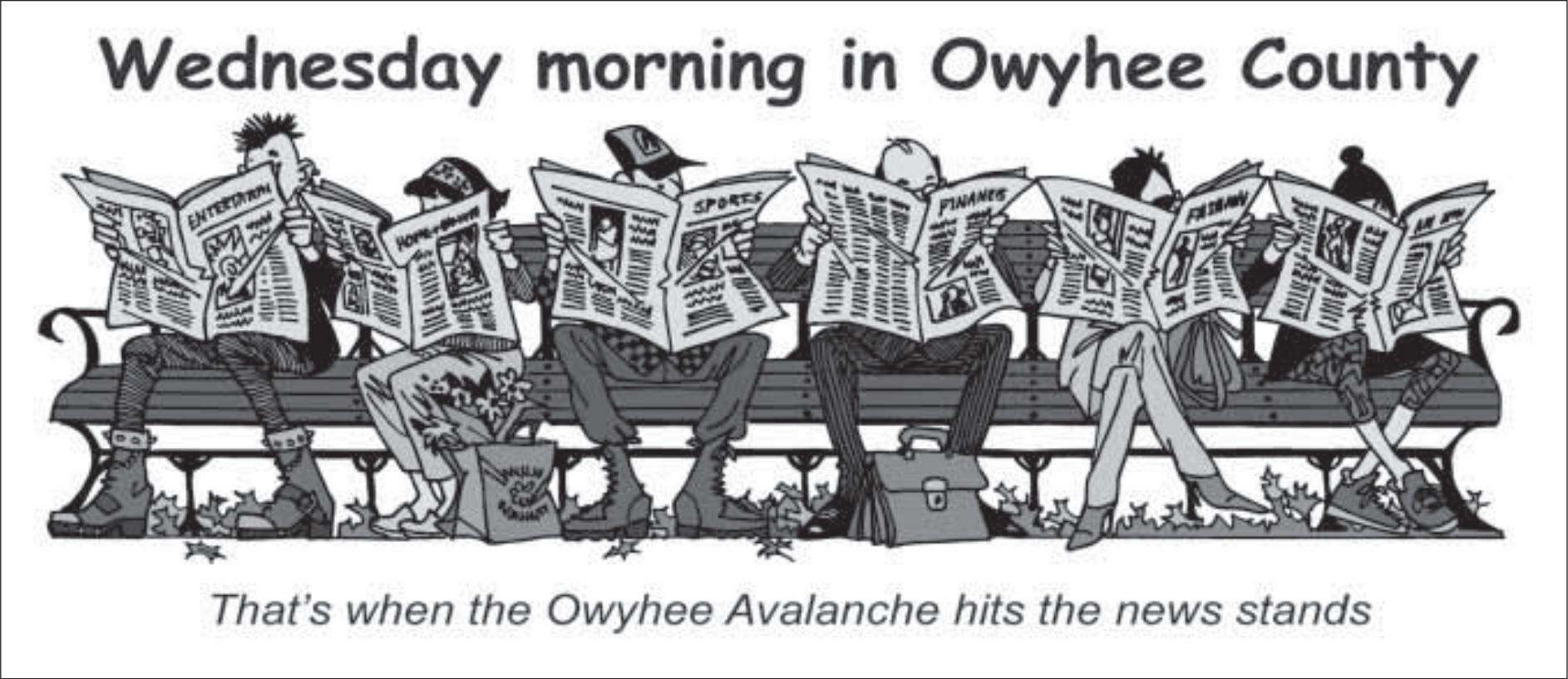
RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE 2/8,15,22,29/12

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE


Reference is made to that certain trust deed made by Donna Vaughan and Donald R Douglas, Grantor(s), to Pioneer Title Company, trustee, in favor of Washington Mutual Bank, fsb, as beneficiary, recorded 05/28/1997, in the Records of Owyhee County, Idaho as Instrument No. 221907, which was subsequently assigned to US Bank, NA, as trustee on behalf of Newcastle Investment Trust 2011-MH1 on January 12, 2012 under Instrument No. 276572, and Katrina E. Glogowski, Glogowski Law Firm, PLLC being the successor trustee, covering the following described real property situated in the above-mentioned county and state, to wit: APN: RP 03N05W068420A; Legal Description: Tax 12 6 3N 5W; Commonly known as 3171 Lee Ln, Homedale, ID 83628. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to section IRC 45-1505 (3): the default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor’s failure to make payments as follows:

Delinquent Payments from Oct, 2011 thru Jan, 2012 of \$524.02 for a total of \$2096.08; late charges of \$78.60; and estimated advances of \$3500.00; for a grand total of **\$5674.68.*** This amount is estimated and needs to be confirmed prior to the submission of a payment as regular monthly payments, advances and other charges continue to accrue during the pendency of this notice. Installment of principal and interest plus impounds and/or advances which became due on Oct, 2011 plus amounts that are due or may become due for the following: late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee fees, and any attorneys’ fees and court costs arising from or associated with beneficiaries effort to protect and

preserve its security must be cured as a condition of reinstatement. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to wit: \$36,715.89 with interest thereon at the rate of 10.5% beginning on Oct, 2011 , plus late charges, until paid; plus prior accrued late charges; plus advances of \$0.00, together with title expenses, costs, trustee’s fees and attorneys’ fee incurred herein by reason of said default; and any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described real property and its interest therein. Whereof, notice is hereby given that Katrina E. Glogowski, Glogowski Law Firm, PLLC, the undersigned trustee will on 05/31/2012 at the hour of 11:00, am, at front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650 sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in IRC 45-1506 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee’s and attorney’s fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. DATED: 01/27/2012 By Katrina E. Glogowski Successor Trustee 2505 Third Ave Ste 100 Seattle, WA 98121 (206) 903-9966 2/22,29;3/7,14/12



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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 Marsing 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-896-5407 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.	United Methodist Church Wilder Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor June Fothergill Sunday Services 9:30am
First Presbyterian Church Homedale 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am	Calvary Holiness Church Wilder Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry Open Fridays 10 am - Noon	Seventh Day Adventist Homedale 16613 Gamet Rd., 880-0902 or 453-9289 Pastor Chuck Dimick Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Tuesday Prayer Mtg. 7:00 pm
Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana 2011 Mass Schedule - the following Saturdays at 9:30am Feb.12 - March 12 - April 9 - May 14 - June 11 - July 9 - Aug. 13 Sept. 24 - Oct. 22 - Nov. 26 - Dec. 10 All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031	Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12- 2pm Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508

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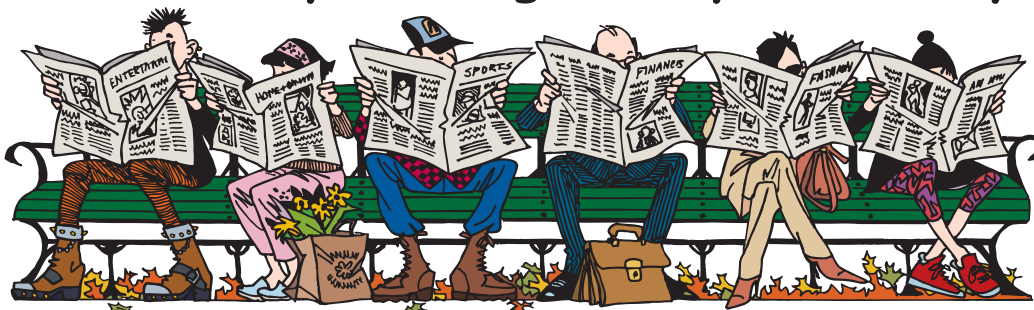
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Whirlpool® Cabrio® Electric Dryer
• #WED5600XW

\$1299 FOR THE PAIR
Price Good 2-15 / 2-25

SAVE \$600 ON THE PAIR

Whirlpool® Duet® Front Load Washer
• 10 Cycles • Allergen Cycle
• Direct Inject Wash System
• Stainless Steel Basket
• #WFW94HEXW

Whirlpool® Duet® Electric Steam Dryer
• 11 Cycles • 5 Temperatures
• Quick Refresh Steam Cycle
• #WED94HEXW

\$998 \$998
Price Good 2-15 / 2-25

\$600

Whirlpool® Gold® 26 cu. ft. French Door Refrigerator
• #GF6FAR0X

Whirlpool® Tall Tub Dishwasher
• #WDT4815TAB

Whirlpool® Gold® 15" Undercounter Ice Maker
• #IGS15ND0X5

Whirlpool® Gold® Smoothtop Electric Range
• #GF6401LV5

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CLOSEOUT SPECIAL!

\$1098
FOR THE PAIR
Offer Ends 2-21

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• PureSource 3 Water Filtration
• #FFHS2622MS

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