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White (day after) Christmas



Rufo Isaguirre shovels snow near the entrance to the Homedale Realty office last Wednesday.

Christmas snow doubles Owyhee levels

Last week's post-Christmas storm doubled the snow depth in some areas of the Owyhee Mountains.

According to the Natural Resources Conservation

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New sheriff in town

Grant readies for rebuilding project

The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office rehabilitation project begins later this month, but the incoming top cop doesn't see the turnaround as an epic journey.

"It's an oath of office away, and there's no other way to put it," Perry Grant said. "The facts are what they are, and I know this could be seen as partial opinion, but from what I've been gathering from other agency heads, that's all it's going to (take).

"Once I take my oath of office, we'll begin mending and building relationships."

Grant will be sworn in along with Commissioners Jerry Hoagland (District 1) and Joe Merrick (District 3) and Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery on Jan. 14 in Murphy.

The 37-year-old Homedale resident rejects the notion that

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When Perry Grant, right, takes the oath of office to become Owyhee County's new sheriff in Murphy on Jan. 14, Sgt. Lynn Bowman will ascend to the position of chief deputy.

New irrigation directors to be sworn in Tuesday

Three new members of area irrigation district boards will be sworn in Tuesday in Homedale.

Adrian's Harold Bruning won a coin flip to defeat John Lax for a position on the Ridgeview district board of directors.

Homedale-area residents Chris Landa and Ryan Criffield will serve on the Gem Irrigation District.

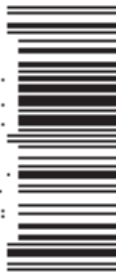
The three men will take the oath of office Tuesday during the first

meetings of the new year.

Criffield takes over from Greg Purdom in Div. 4, while Landa succeeds Tim Leavitt in Div. 5. Purdom and Leavitt chose not to seek re-election in November, and Landa and Criffield were the only men to file nomination petitions.

Tuesday's first meetings of 2013 begin with the Ridgeview board

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Boat inspections available until hunting season ends

With three weeks remaining in waterfowl hunting season, folks are reminded of a new program Owyhee County instituted for the 2012-13 season.

Waterways Committee member Dave Ellis said that the sheriff's office marine program continues to provide inspections for boaters hitting the Snake River on both ends of the county.

He said there also has been an occasional patrol presence with OCSO's flat-bottom boat.

"It's a way to make the duck hunters safe and everyone else safe," Ellis said.

Inspectors are making sure hunters, and anyone getting on the river, have personal floatation devices and their boats are properly lit for river travel.

The river inspection program, which began in mid-November, is being financed with money from the county's Vessel Fund, Ellis said.

The hunting boat inspections will be available through the end of the waterfowl season, which is Jan. 25 according to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game website.

Saying that boat inspections generally are thought of only for boaters hitting CJ Strike Reservoir, Ellis said there is talk of maintaining a river inspection program for the spring and summer seasons, too.

Lizard Butte Library plans watercolor class

The Lizard Butte Library in Marsing is planning to host a five-week watercolor painting class beginning Jan. 26 at the library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W. Classes will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each Saturday.

Cost is \$50 plus supplies, all payable to the teacher, Karin Cordes, on the first day of class, according to library director Janna Streibel.

Cordes, of Caldwell, was the library's artist of the month in November. She paints farm buildings and has created more than 100 paintings of area barns.

Cordes was born in Germany and in her youth studied anatomy and portrait painting. In her late teens, she worked for printing companies in Germany and Switzerland, and in the late 1960s, she moved with her family from Switzerland to the U.S.

She resided in California and Idaho for 26 years, owning a graphic arts business with her husband. The couple later lived in Seattle and Guam, returning to the Gem State in 1996.

It was at that time that Cordes began painting Idaho pastoral landscapes, which she has sold throughout the U.S. and in Europe, Japan and Mexico.

For more information about the painting class, contact Lizard

Butte Library at (208) 896-4690.

Book discussion starts

The Lizard Butte Library in Marsing has been selected as a Let's Talk About It site this year, according to Streibel.

Let's Talk About It is a book discussion group funded through the Idaho Commission for Libraries. The current program theme is "Idaho at 150." Anyone interested in participating may pick up the first book in the cycle — "Traplins" by John Rember — at 7 p.m. Monday at the library.

"People are encouraged to come even if they have not read the book," Streibel said.

For more information, contact the library at (208) 896-4690.

Holtry is artist of month

The January artist of the month at the library is Greg Holtry of Caldwell, who uses turkey feathers as his "canvas."

Holtry was born in the Black Hills of South Dakota and said the sight and sounds of the wild birds there are what inspire his unique art.

"I hope my eyes have been clear enough to share with you some of the sights of these wild and untamed residents of our living, breathing world," he said.

— GB



Buck Peak, who works for the Idaho Fish and Game engineering department, smooths cement at Bernard Landing during December construction.

Waterways committee guides county improvements

As Bernard Landing work winds down, eyes fall on possible Black Sands project

Renovation work is nearly complete at the Bernard Landing sportsman's access, one of two major recreational improvements that the Owyhee County Waterways Committee helped push through this year.

The Bernard Landing project, which is a joint venture with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, included the installation of a new Americans with Disability Act-approved pit-vault toilet. The toilet was installed in the summer at a cost of \$13,400, which was paid for out of the county's Vessel Fund.

County Waterways Committee member Dave Ellis of Homedale said longtime committee member Jerry Benson, who died Dec. 21, played a major role in making sure Bernard Landing was a favorite spot for recreationists.

"Jerry was really big into Bernard Landing because that was his neighbor, and he had a lot of push with that project," Ellis said. "He spent a lot of his own personal time, him and his wife (Faye), going down there and cleaning it."

The total work at Bernard Landing will cost about \$40,000, according to Dennis Hardy, the recreational site foreman for IDFG's southwestern region. Crews poured concrete pads near the restrooms last month.

The Waterways Committee put the Bernard Landing work as well as helping with a project at the Grand View boat ramp on its wish list, and the Board of County Commissioners allocated funds from the Vessel Fund.

Bernard Landing access is located on the north side of Idaho 78 southeast of Givens and provides a way to enjoy the Snake River. It's six miles downstream from Walters Ferry.

In addition to replacing the restrooms, the Waterways

Committee requested \$200 be paid to Bill Lacy Hay Grinding of Wilson to help remove the old boat dock at Bernard Landing. The old dock is now being stored in Murphy.

According to an IDFG press release, the renovation work should be completed after the new year.

A fully accessible steel dock and gangway system was also installed to better serve Bernard Landing users.

Once graded, the parking area will be delineated with defined vehicle spaces to make better use of the available lot and allow easier access to the area's boat ramp.

For more information regarding the renovation of Bernard Landing Access, please contact Idaho Fish and Game's Nampa office at (208) 465-8465.

Robison Logging and Excavation received \$6,500 for its work on the Grand View boat dock. Work on the project had been delayed because of a high water level on the Snake River.

Ellis said that building a walkway closer to the Grand View dock is another part of the project, to which the waterways committee has dedicated about \$17,000 total. That entire amount has yet to be used, however.

The county has spent \$20,100 on the projects that have been completed this year in Grand View and Bernard Landing.

Ellis said the committee is looking at work at the Black Sands access area at CJ Strike Reservoir for a 2013 project, but finding out who owns the property is a vital step in moving forward with plans for rebuilding the boat dock and fixing the boat ramp. Ellis said the committee also has been in preliminary talks on another joint venture with Fish and Game regarding the Black

Sands access parking lot.

Black Sands Resort rents the dock, but Ellis said new waterways committee member Brian Flatter will work on clearing up the ownership issue.

Flatter joins Ellis and Marsing resident Bob Aldrich, who serves as chair of the waterways committee.

The group holds telephonic meetings twice a month, according to Ellis.

After Benson's passing, the Waterways Committee membership will remain at three members for the foreseeable future, Ellis said.

Flatter is a Fish and Game senior conservation officer in the southern part of Owyhee County. Although he lives in Meridian, Flatter was brought on board because of his knowledge of the south county area, including the location of waterways improvements.

Ellis said the committee had tried for more than a year to attract a county resident from the area to the board.

Funding for the Vessel Fund that seeds the waterways committee budget each year is derived from boat registration fees, Ellis said.

The state divvies up the fees to each county according to how many boat owners have listed a given county as their primary area of use on their registration forms.

In recent years, the waterways committee has posted signs at different access points urging people who recreate in the county to designate Owyhee as their primary place of use.

Some of the revenue the county receives is used to fund the sheriff's office marine program, including buying a patrol boat two years ago.

Ellis said the county waterways revenue from boat registration peaked in 2011, but dropped slightly in FY 2012. He said the county has received an average of about \$26,000 per year for the past five years.

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Hearing on building permit fees set Monday

The Board of County Commissioners will hear public comment on proposed fee increases for building permits in Owyhee County and proposed new fees assessed by the state Department of Building Safety.

The hearing is set for 11 a.m. Monday in Courtroom 2 at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy.

A list of the requested fee amounts is available at the office of the county clerk between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the courthouse.

Owyhee County entered into an agreement with Canyon County for building inspections late last year, and at a BOCC meeting held Nov. 26, it was suggested that Owyhee adopt Canyon’s fee structure.

Owyhee Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff said that for small building projects, Owyhee’s fees are sometimes higher; however, building projects, as they get incrementally larger, frequently cost more under the Canyon fee scale.

Commercial building permits fees will be subject to the same fee increases as residential permits, Huff said.

The hearing will be held during the BOCC’s regular weekly meeting, which begins at 9 a.m. with an administrative meeting.

—GB

District crews sand slick roads after Christmas

County workers do mere routine snow removal

Road crews were out early last Wednesday to tend to slick driving surfaces around Homedale, as the community experienced its first winter snowfall.

“We got out at 4 a.m. It was a little snowy, a little slick. We didn’t really have to plow a lot, just sand most of the intersections and the hills,” Stewart Constantine, director of highways for the Homedale Highway District, said.

Gem Highway District, on the outskirts of Marsing, also started

early, sanding intersections, curves and hills.

“We had to sand a little. Half the roads were dry, but the further we got out to the Givens area, we had a little more snow and had to do a little sanding out that way,” Gem road superintendent Rick Meade said.

There were a few small drifts the Gem crew had to remove, according to Meade, but nothing major.

“We just had to use a snowplow here and there,” he said.

Larry Bauer, public works supervisor for the City of Homedale, said his crew started sanding around 6 a.m.

“We started getting all the intersections sanded and did a little

bit of sanding in some slick spots during the day. The first snow is always kind of interesting, with people getting used to driving in it again,” he said.

In Marsing, workers sanded all the intersections and cleared snow out of the parking lot at City Hall, according to city maintenance supervisor Ed Lowder.

“We also cleaned the sidewalks and sanded them — just normal stuff we had to do,” he said.

County road crews kept roads clear, but it was a light workload.

“We get the drifts off the roads to keep them open. There’s been no heavy snowfalls yet this year,” Phil Rittenhouse, foreman of Owyhee County’s District 1,

said.

“We’re not having to do much on the county roads. There’s not much snow,” Kurt Lahtinen, crewman for District 3, said.

Former District 3 supervisor Dave Miller retired last month, and Lahtinen and Don Best (who is replacing Miller in the supervisory position) were able to keep the district’s roads groomed with just a two-man work force, Lahtinen said.

The Board of County Commissioners formalized the seasonal closure of Bachman Grade Road and Silver City Road with a resolution during Monday’s final meeting of the year in Murphy.

—GB

New WAED chief wants to live in Owyhee

With a claim that small-town Idaho is vital to her, the Western Alliance for Economic Development’s new coordinator recently met with county commissioners.

Tina Wilson and her predecessor, Lori Church, addressed the Board of County Commissioners in Murphy during a December meeting.

Church, who has been serving

the organization as its executive director, is leaving to help build an entrepreneurial incubator in the southwest Idaho region.

Her successor, Wilson, currently resides in Star but said she is looking to relocate to a community in Owyhee County.

“Rural Idaho is in my blood,” Wilson said. “I want to take the Western Alliance to the next level.”

The alliance is a Canyon County-Owyhee County partnership of smaller communities including Grand View, Homedale, Greenleaf, Melba, Notus, Parma, Middleton and Wilder as well as the rest of Owyhee County except for Marsing. Representatives from each government work together for the economic growth of the area.

Marsing opted out of the

organization in October.

Each entity involved in WAED pays annual dues of \$1 per resident. Owyhee pays for residents who reside outside city limits in the county. Owyhee County pays \$5,000.

“We appreciate your funding as we keep Western Alliance moving forward,” Wilson told the commissioners.

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Mandy Brasher rides her quarter horse Ranger during Saturday's Dust Devils 4-H Club horse judging clinic at Badiola Arena in Homedale. Brasher showed horse movements while fellow Homedale High School graduate Kortney Bahem spoke to the audience about horse judging techniques.

Final Story Time of the year



Homedale library's reading activity continues into new year

Laryssa Takashige, children's librarian at Homedale Public Library, reads "Snow" by Uri Shulevitz to her own children — including Liam, center — and to Jenna Lisonbee, right, and Jenna's brother Hyrum during Story Time on Friday. The next Story Time, at 10:15 a.m. on Friday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., will feature "P. Bear's New Year's Party." There will also be crafts, songs and snacks. All children are welcome. For more information, call (208) 337-4228.

Homedale library meetings scheduled

The Homedale Public Library board of directors has announced its 2013 meeting schedule.

The board, which meets on the Monday before the first City Council meeting of the month, next gathers at 10 a.m. Monday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Dawn Whitney is chair, and

Gypsy Jackson is vice-chair. Janet McCornack is the board secretary, and Carolyn Grooms and Karlyne Landrum sit as board members.

During a Dec. 12 City Council meeting, Mayor Paul Fink suggested that one of the city's elected officials should attend each of the monthly library board

meetings. The city helps fund the library's operation.

The Friends of the Homedale Public Library also meets monthly, but the booster group is not affiliated with the library board.

The Friends of the Library meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the library.

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✓ Directors: Irrigation boards usually meet in Homedale on first Tuesday each month

gathering at 1 p.m.

The Gem board meets at 1:15.

The South Board of Control, which features all five directors from the Gem board and one Ridgeview representative, meets at 1:30 p.m.

All three meetings take place downstairs in the South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., in Homedale.

After each of the three new board members are administered the oath of office, reorganization of each board will take place with the appointment of a chair and vice-chair for each body.

Lax served as the Ridgeview

chair, while Purdom ran Gem board meetings and served as the South Board chair.

Also during the Ridgeview meeting, the district's new representative for the SBOC board of directors will be chosen. Typically, the Ridgeview board chair sits on the SBOC board, according to South Board secretary Connie Chadez.

Rounding out the Gem board members are Dennis Turner (Div. 3), last year's vice-chair for Gem and SBOC, and Dave Shenk (Div. 2), both of whom live in the Homedale area, and Marsing's Rick Smith from Div. 1.

Ridgeview membership includes Bret Nielson, the 2012 vice-chair, and Mark Aman.

The irrigation directors meet during the daytime in the fall and winter. Typically, the meetings shift to nighttime in March, but the official decision won't be made until the February meeting.

The boards meet on the first Tuesday of each month, but are meeting on the second Monday this month because of the New Year's holiday.

For more information on the region's irrigation boards, call the South Board office at (208) 337-3760.

✓ Snow: South Mountain reaches 20 inches

Service SNOTEL data, the snow depth at the Reynolds Creek station rose to 14 inches on Thursday. A week earlier, there were only six inches of snow at the site.

Reynolds Creek is one of three SNOTEL sites in Owyhee County.

The snow-water equivalent at Reynolds Creek also doubled in a week's time and was measured at

2.5 inches on Thursday. While the snow-water equivalent remained steady, the snow depth had receded by an inch by Monday morning.

The snow depth at the South Mountain SNOTEL site reached 20 inches by Sunday, with three inches falling after Christmas. The snow-water equivalent is 4.4 inches, 1½ inches more than a week earlier.

Instruments at the Mud Flat

SNOTEL station indicated three inches fell overnight after Christmas. Monday's snow-water equivalent was 2.2 inches, up nearly an inch from Dec. 20.

The forecast shows dry conditions through Friday with high temperatures in the mid- to high 30s. An evening snow flurry could arrive Saturday as the temperature dips into the 20s, but sunshine could return Sunday.

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Lions’ bingo season continues in Marsing

The third 2012-13 installment of the Marsing Lions Club bingo fundraiser takes place Saturday.

An early bird game will be held at 6:45 p.m., with the regular games kicking off at 7 p.m.

The early bird game entry is \$1. Cost for regular games is \$15, which covers 12

games. Each additional set costs \$5. Dobbers will be available for \$1 each.

There also is a Hot Number option for \$1. The Hot Number is the first number drawn each evening. If a person gets bingo on that number, they’ll win the pot. If there is no winner, the pot builds throughout the season. If no one wins the Hot Number pot, the prize will be given away with the last game of the season.

Each month, the Lions club selects a cause to which proceeds are donated.

The Lions provide drinks and popcorn each Saturday. The games are held at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

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Jerry Lavon Benson

Jerry Lavon Benson, 75, of Melba, died Friday, December 21, 2012, at his home. A viewing was held December 29, 2012 from 12:30-2:00 p.m. at Zeyer Funeral Chapel, 83 N. Midland Blvd. Nampa, followed by funeral services at 2 p.m. A funeral procession, graveside services and burial followed at Pioneer Cemetery, Highway 78 near Givens Hot Springs, Melba, Idaho.

Jerry was born to Alvin and Bessie Benson on April 20, 1937, in Nampa, Idaho. The family moved to the Wilson Creek area where Jerry attended grade school through high school. Jerry married Sandy. Three boys, Bruce, Scott and Randy, were born to this union.

In 1963 Jerry was honorably discharged from the United States Navy after serving in the US Naval Reserve for eight years.

Most of his life was spent working on the family farm/dairy near the old Wilson School House. From there Jerry moved to Kuna where he ran the Redeye Bar for several years. He returned to the farm and worked the trucks in harvesting crops in the Melba area and hauling beets in the Mountain Home area for several years. Later he bought a gravel truck (his pride

and joy) and worked on small local jobs.

In 1985 Jerry met Faye Banta on a blind date to the Jazz Festival at St. Chapelle. They were married August 25, 1989, resided in Kuna, then Nampa until they started their “rural” life down by the Snake River near Givens Springs.

Jerry had a great love for Jeeps and rides in the Owyhee Mountains with his friends Don Hamilton and Sam Johnston. His main passions were collecting military Jeeps and guns of all kinds.

With the natural artesian hot water on the property, Jerry and Faye started a cattle truck wash-out. This project kept Jerry quite busy. He loved heading to the wash (the dogs following) all hours of the day and night to visit with the drivers.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alvin and Bessie Benson. Survivors include his wife Faye; sister, Lita Hoagland; brother, Tom Benson and sons: Bruce, Scott and Randy Benson.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Horizon Home Health and Hospice, 315 E. Elm St., Ste. 70, Caldwell, ID 83605. Their thoughtful care for Jerry is truly appreciated.

Blenda Marie Lewis

Blenda Marie Lewis, age 85 of Lodi, CA and formerly of Murphy, Idaho, passed away peacefully on December 20, 2012. She was born on November 22, 1927, in Boise, Idaho to Carl and Otilia Lindstedt.

Blenda was a well-known and respected horse trainer and horse show judge, and also worked for the I.R.S. for over 20 years. She enjoyed grape tray art and loved animals, especially horses, dogs and cats. She was also known for her great sense of humor. She could tell a



joke with the best of them. Blenda was involved in 4H and was a horse show competitor. She was a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother and will be dearly missed.

Blenda is survived by her daughters: Karen VerHagen of Lodi, CA and Kathy Papendorf of Clovis, CA; grandchildren: Sarah VerHagen, Laura VerHagen, and Kyle Papendorf; and three great-grandchildren, with a fourth on the way. She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Ottie Lindstedt, and sister, Greta Monnig.

A private family service will be held at a later date. There is no visitation and committal is private. Lodi Funeral Home, 725 S. Fairmont Ave, Lodi, CA, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Death notices

WILLIAM C. JONES JR., 57, of Marsing, died Monday, Dec. 24, 2012 at a Caldwell hospital. Arrangements are pending under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell.

STANLEY S. ROBISON, 98, of Sunnyslope, died Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2012 at a local hospital of natural causes. Services are pending at Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-3629

Reminiscing

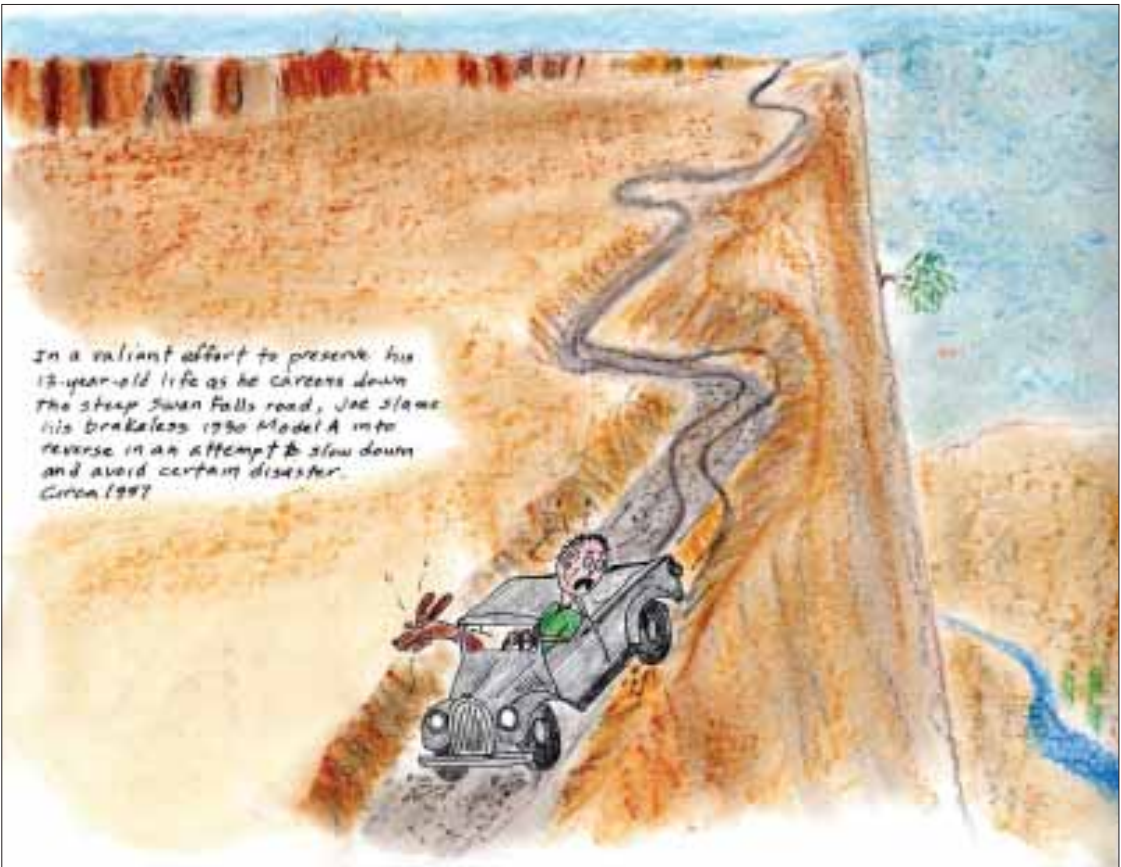


Illustration by Pete Aman

“A” is for adventure

by Joe Aman

There I was, a 13-year-old kid who had just gotten his 1930 Model A pickup running. That was quite a feat, since I didn’t know anything about mechanical things, unless you count fiddling with a 65cc motorcycle I had purchased earlier from a second cousin. The Model A was out in the pasture when I bought it for \$15 from a farmer near my hometown of Kuna. The only thing he guaranteed was that it wouldn’t run.

I tore the motor apart in the chicken house, utilizing a few hand tools Dad had, and numerous extension cords running from the basement of the house, with a light bulb wired to the end. Things seemed to be in order, except the valves were not seating. Dad showed me how to “lap” the valves to get them seated, but it still wouldn’t run. I checked the spark, which worked fine, knocking me on my rear. Finally, I talked Dad into towing it to Mel’s shop. Mel said the timing gear was shot. He helped me to replace it, and we got it running pretty well.

That Sunday on the way home from church, I commented that I thought I’d take ’er to Swan Falls that afternoon. Dad laughed and responded, “I dare you.” I said no more, but made up my mind I’d show him. Dad forbade Sunday pleasure things, like going for a drive or listening to the radio, so I waited for Mom and him to lie down for their traditional Sunday afternoon nap.

I had this dog who followed

me everywhere. Actually, Reno wasn’t mine, he was the family dog. Anyway, I quietly left the house, started the pickup, Reno jumped in with me, and we headed for Swan Falls, about 15 miles south of Kuna.

Fords of the early era had mechanical brakes. When you pushed on the brake pedal, it pulled a rod from each wheel, expanding the brake shoes tightly on the brake drum. If they were well-maintained, they worked very efficiently, but my Model A lacked proper brake adjustments and the parts were, I’m sure, quite worn. In other words, I had no brakes to speak of.

The Swan Falls Road in those days was a one-way trail cut in the side of a straight up-and-down lava canyon. It was winding and steep. I put the old pickup in low gear and began my descent. As I progressed down the goat trail, I kept gaining speed. (Did I mention that the “A” didn’t have a whole lot of compression?) The farther I went, the more hairy it got. About halfway down the mile-long decline, I was going so fast, I had trouble maneuvering through the curves. All I could do to slow down was rub the pickup against the inside bank of the canyon, but I was still going too fast, so I rammed the pickup hard against the lava rocks and brought her to a full stop.

I was shaking so bad, I had difficulty holding the clutch in.



Reno didn’t help, howling and scratching at the passenger-side window. I think he was trying to tell me something.

I was in a pickle. The road was not wide enough to turn around, and it was so steep, I couldn’t get enough traction to back up the road. Then it hit me ... put the car in reverse and ride the clutch on down. (Don’t try this at home.) My strategy was to hold the clutch part-way in, until I was going too fast for comfort, and then I’d let the clutch the rest of the way out. The rear tires would spin backwards as I slid forwards, but the tactic worked.

As I neared the bottom of the canyon, I was still shaking and Reno was still whining and scratching. “One last hairpin curve, and I’ll have it made,” I thought out loud.

Rounding the last curve, with the rear tires frantically scratching backwards at the roadway, I saw one of the most embarrassing sights of my short life — a group of people (fishermen and power company employees and families, I assumed) cheering and laughing as I slid by. They had been watching the entire episode.

When I came to a wide enough spot, I turned around. Reno and I started right back out of there, the “A’s” clutch smoking and radiator boiling. We made it home OK, but when I told the folks what I had gone through, the experience seemed pretty uneventful compared to the lecture Dad gave me.

Mom just said it served me right for taking a pleasure ride on the Sabbath.

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Calendar

Today

Military veterans coffee
9 a.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing

Bruneau Valley Library preschool
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 3- and 4-year-olds, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2163 or (208) 845-2131

ORFPA fire training
10 a.m. to 4 p.m., free, start of mandatory five sessions, University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (541) 586-3000, (208) 583-2269 or (208) 583-4444

Christian Life Club
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Highway 95 Wilder. (208) 337-4757

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

Thursday

ORFPA fire training
10 a.m. to 4 p.m., free, start of mandatory five sessions, Jordan Valley Lions Hall, U.S. Highway 95, Jordan Valley. (541) 586-3000, (208) 583-2269 or (208) 583-4444

Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

Friday

Story Time at Homedale Public Library
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Saturday

Homedale Running Club
8 a.m., free and open to the public, Homedale High School athletic track, Deward Bell Stadium, Riverside Drive, Homedale.

Marsing Lions bingo
6:45 p.m., early bird; 7 p.m., regular game, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing

Monday

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

Tuesday

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

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

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

Homedale Friends of the Library meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

American Legion Post 128 meeting
7 p.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.

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

Wednesday

Bruneau Valley Library preschool
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 3- and 4-year-olds,

Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2163 or (208) 845-2131

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

Christian Life Club
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Highway 95 Wilder. (208) 337-4757

Grand View City Council meeting
6 p.m., includes Grand View Water and Sewer Association board meeting, Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2700, Monday through Wednesday

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

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

Three Creek School Board meeting
7 p.m., Three Creek School multipurpose room, Three Creek

Homedale Highway District meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale

Thursday, Jan. 10

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

Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

Friday, Jan. 11

Story Time at Homedale Public Library
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Saturday, Jan. 12

Homedale Running Club
8 a.m., free and open to the public, Homedale High School athletic track, Deward Bell Stadium, Riverside Drive, Homedale.

Sunday, Jan. 13

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

Monday, Jan. 14

Homedale Fire District commissioners meeting
Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale.

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

Tuesday, Jan. 15

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


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

Wednesday, Jan. 16

Bruneau Valley Library preschool
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 3- and 4-year-olds, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2163 or (208) 845-2131

Owyhee Then & Now

Michael F. Hanley IV

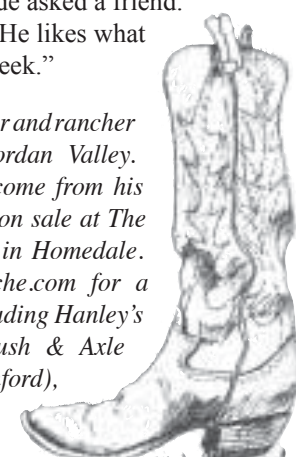


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Driving Stage

Claude Slade was driving stage into Jordan Valley in 1919 and, as a new man on the job, he had it rough. He had to deliver mail to 13 post offices between Caldwell and Rome. It was a 100-mile trip one way in all kinds of weather and over bad roads. Slade recalled that, “In those times, you didn’t ask questions and did your job.” On one trip, he passed the sheriff and an Internal Revenue agent mired down in a borrow pit. He hauled them back onto the road. “They propositioned me about helping them locate some stills ... said they’d make it well worth my time. There was a still right up the creek from where we were. You could see the tent if you knew where to look. I told them I was being paid to drive stage and that’s what I’m doing. Your job is to catch moonshiners. Go ahead and get ’em.” Slade said that as a government employee who never drank, he was suspect in Jordan Valley. One day, soon after the incident with the law, he was buying groceries in a store in Jordan Valley when he noticed the Basque storekeeper shoving in candy and packages of cigarettes. “What kind of candy your kids and your wife like?” he demanded. “What’s he up to?” Slade asked a friend. “Oh,” said the friend. “He likes what you told the sheriff last week.”

— Local historian, author and rancher Mike Hanley lives in Jordan Valley. Excerpts in this column come from his various books, which are on sale at The Owyhee Avalanche office in Homedale. Visit www.owyheeavalanche.com for a list of available titles, including Hanley’s Owyhee Graffiti, Sagebrush & Axle Grease (with Omer Stanford), Tales of the I.O.N. Country and Journal of Michael F. Hanley IV.



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Jordan Valley mayor, 37, ready to start his 15th year in office

Roe got involved soon after his arrival in town

Jake Roe wasted little time getting involved in the Jordan Valley community.

He moved to the small Idaho-Oregon border town at the age of 19. By 21, he was a city councilman.

Two years later, he was appointed mayor.

The 37-year-old starts his fourth full term as the town’s chief executive this month.

“I’ve gone from not knowing very much at all about how city government works to knowing a lot of the ins and outs of a small town: How we go about collecting revenue, how we share revenue with the state and county, how to balance the budget and dealing with people with water billing issues and nuisance issues,” he said.

The 1993 Caldwell High School graduate arrived in Jordan Valley to work at Jim Zatica’s service station. Right away, he was in a leadership role and running the shop.

He worked for Zatica for 14 years before becoming the mechanic and crew boss at the Kinross Delamar Mine. He also has his own mobile repair service.

Before Jordan Valley, the closest Roe came to being a leader was in Boy Scouts.

“Other than that, I didn’t have any leadership roles that I did in school,” he said.

His strength was in running a business, something he had been doing since he started mowing lawns at the age of 11.

And he was always working.

“I cleaned parking lots at night,” he said. “I worked at Albertson at nights during my 11th- and 12th-grade years in school.”

He quickly became a fixture in Jordan Valley. He got married to Cory 12 years ago, and they have three sons — Brandon, 11; Sean, 9 and Kyle, 8.

Although he didn’t have any political leadership experience, he was elected overwhelmingly to the city council in 1996.

“I always did enjoy Government in high school, it was one of my favorite classes,” he said. “I worked here in Jordan and knew everybody in town.”

Roe rose quickly once he joined the council. Although he was the youngest elected official in Jordan Valley — and one of the youngest, it is believed, in Oregon — he was the council president in 1998 when the mayor at the time had to resign to take a job in another town.

Despite his age and his relative newness to town, he was appointed mayor. Roe made sure the council members knew their insight was welcomed and valued. He wanted to draw off their experience.

Now, he’s the elder statesman, and doesn’t plan on curtailing his community service.

“As long as I’m needed,” he said of how long he’s willing to serve.

“If I’m going to live in Jordan Valley, and they need to have a mayor and nobody wants to run and nobody wants to run against me ... I like the job, and I’ll do it as long as I’m living here.”

Roe admits that’s not a philosophy that he has always had. He says he believes in term limits, but when someone else wanted to run for the office in 2008, Roe made an exception.

“At that point in time, I knew I was the better candidate,” he said.

He ran unopposed in the latest election.

Roe’s community involvement doesn’t end with city government. He’s also vice-chair of the school board and serves as chairman at his church.

“I am community-oriented,” he said. “I am a person who likes to be involved. I like to help out.”

He also knows there’s a dwindling number of folks willing to serve in city government. The population has nosedived 56.2 percent from 409 citizens when he came to town to 179 according to the 2010 Census.

He said the small amount of people means most folks have either served their time for the community or are retired and have no interest in doing it.

“It’s all right. It doesn’t take a lot of a guy’s time,” Roe said. — JPB



Donna Haylett shows off her handiwork in the living room of her Homedale home.

Homedale woman builds solid hobby with cement

Leaves and cement may seem an odd mix for handicrafts, but Homedale’s Donna Haylett manages to blend the disparate elements into artwork.

“She’s a spry little woman and she totes that cement around,” Sue Showalter of ShowGyrlz Handcrafted Market said.

After working for decades with natural mediums such as wood and gourds, Haylett got the idea for cement leaves about two years ago from a crafts publication and decided to try something new.

Using the substance most people think of as little more than sidewalk material, the artist began to experiment like a scientist in a laboratory. Through trial and error, she worked to create the right consistency for the cement that would allow her to display the delicate imprint of a leaf through it.

And while leaves may be the ubiquitous product of most tree varieties, those leaves don’t suit her purposes. She generally works with larger leaves, such as those found on rhubarb plants and canna, lily-like flowers.

She uses sand and plastic to make the foundation for laying the leaf and she then takes what she calls “my mud” and covers the leaf with it. She eventually has to turn it softly to get the leaf out.

“If you don’t get it mixed just about right, it might break up on you,” she said. “Cement is actually fragile.”

She keeps the cement moist while it cures, which can take a couple of weeks.

“You kind of have to get a knack for doing that. You can’t dilly-dally around; it dries fairly fast,” she said.

After time has elapsed and the cement leaf is finished, Haylett puts water seal on it, paints it, then puts another coat of water seal on to give it a sheen.

“It’s about a three-week process,” she said.

The completed cement leaves can be used for decoration, as a shallow bowl for holding things, or for stepping-stones.

Haylett underwent cataract surgery last year and had to curtail some of her crafty endeavors, but only temporarily.

Showalter called her “an amazing artist.”

Haylett has a small craft room in her home where she does a lot of her work, with the exception of pouring cement. She said art helped her through the loss of her spouse a few years back, and as soon as her eyes return to normal, she plans to continue creating again.

She started developing her craftsmanship skills long ago.

“My mother was into crafts for years and years, and I picked up the initiative to do something with things other people can’t see art in,” she said.

Art made from cement was just unusual enough to make her want to give it a try. — GB

JV council makeup gains a bit of clarity

With less than a month until its next meeting, it’s still unclear who will be sitting on the Jordan Valley City Council.

Citizens cast write-in votes for three positions during the Nov. 6 election, and city officials have worked to get confirmations since then.

During the council’s Dec. 11 meeting, incumbent Marie Kershner decided to remain in Seat

3 for another four-year term. She was the top vote-getter for Seat 3 with five votes in November. She also had the most votes among the write-ins appearing on the ballot for Seat 1, garnering the highest total of any candidate with nine. The total could have been 10, but one voter misspelled her name on the Seat 1 ballot. Kershner also received three votes for Seat 5, which Frank Beckwith holds until Monday.

Beckwith was one of five people to receive three write-in votes for Seat 5, and City Clerk Adele Payden said the incumbent will inform the council next month on his decision to serve another four-year term.

Others receiving three votes included Kershner, Ellen Reed, Jim Elordi and Alexis Stanford.

At the moment, Seat 1 is vacant, but could be filled when Mayor Jake Roe convenes the council at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

“Someone is interested, and we won’t know until our January meeting if she will be nominated and voted upon,” Payden said.

She declined to name the woman.

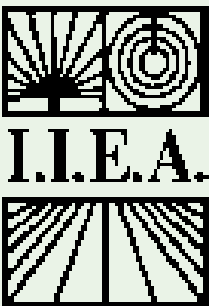
In all, 11 different names were written in for Seat 1, 11 names for Seat 3 and nine names for Seat 5.

A total of 63 write-in votes were cast for the three positions.

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An OHR Christmas



Santa Claus makes annual visit to Homedale facility

Clockwise from top left:

Sharol Fink unwraps a present at the Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center on Christmas Eve.

Mary Ellen Robins gets a gift from Santa.

Sharol Fink, left, and Della Tallman enjoy time with Santa.

OHR resident Lois Murray received a doll for Christmas through the annual community gift drive sponsored by The Owyhee Avalanche and also funded through a benefit auction at the Last Chance Saloon.

Veterans of Foreign Wars essay winners saluted

Homedale, Marsing students collect cash awards

Left: Homedale Middle School students earned cash prizes for placing in the recent Patriot's Pen essay contest sponsored by the Samuel C. Phillips III Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 11065. The students include, from left, Samantha Gray, local winner and third place in district; Lindsey Burks, third place in local competition; and Benjamin Holloway, local runner-up.

Right: Marsing students who earned cash prizes. **Top row, from left:** Patriot's Pen winners and eighth-graders Tiffany Beagley, 14, daughter of Tom and Stephanie Beagley; and Zoe Kish, 13, daughter of Ryan and Amy Kish. **Bottom row, from left:** Patriot's Pen winner and eighth-grader Sam Galligan, 13, son of Don and Kathy Galligan; and Voice of Democracy winner Lacey Usabel, 18-year-old high school senior, and daughter of Jody and Joe Usabel.



Avalanche Sports

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2013

Huskies split title chances in own Classic

NC ends girls' win streak

Boys run streaks to three

The winter chill caught up with Marsing High School's girls' basketball team Friday night.

The Huskies' seven-game winning streak ended as Nampa Christian collected the Husky Holiday Classic championship with a 40-31 triumph in Marsing.

Coach Tim Little's team went without a field goal in the second half and was outscored 28-16 over the final three quarters.

Marsing (8-5) lost for the first time since a 60-38 loss to Homedale on Nov. 30. The Huskies achieved their second-lowest point total of the season (they lost 36-29 on Nov. 20 to Payette and 53-31 a week later to Parma).

Katie Rhodes and Lacie Kamper scored 15 points each for Nampa Christian (6-6), which plays host to Marsing on Tuesday when the teams return to 2A Western Idaho Conference play. Kamper went off for 25 while Rhodes managed just four points when the Huskies scored 15 points in the fourth quarter to beat the Trojans, 42-38, in a Nov. 29 conference opener.

There would be no such come-back Friday as the Huskies' seven-game win streak was stopped cold.

Ashley Hull picked up seven of her 15 points on 70 percent shooting from the foul line. Shelby Dines chimed in with eight points, and Lacey Usabel had five points, but only one field goal.

Nampa Christian set up the

— See **Girls**, page 13



Marsing senior Jason Galligan moves to the basket over Liberty Charter's Levi Pfeifer (center) as Patriots Dominic Hulsey (25) and Jefferson Washburn look on in Thursday's opening round.

The third time was the charm in more ways than one Friday for the Marsing High School boys' basketball team.

The Huskies won their third consecutive game, edging Parma, 41-40, for Marsing's third consecutive championship in the Husky Holiday Classic.

The victory came in the season's third meeting between Parma and Marsing, and the Panthers had won the previous two outings by an average margin of 8.5 points.

Junior Dylan Breshears' lay-in with 14 seconds remaining gave the Huskies the crucial go-ahead basket on their home floor Friday. Parma had a shot at winning the game, but Seth Larson's three-point attempt pounded off the back iron at the buzzer.

Earlier in the frenetic final minutes, Breshears' defensive lapse allowed Jesus Arteaga a wide-open three-point attempt. Arteaga converted for his only points of the night to give the Panthers a 40-39 edge.

"What I was really impressed with our guys was we were playing a team that beat us twice, and when Parma got back in it, we didn't hang our heads — even when Dylan made a mistake and didn't cover the three-point shooter, which had been doing all night," Marsing coach JW Chadez said.

"I really liked our composure toward the end. We showed some

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2012: A look back

Prep teams make mark at State

HHS softball claims silver again;
Huskies earn third in football

January

Huskies are champions — Two Marsing High School basketball teams won their school's own Husky Holiday Classic championships.

The varsity boys' squad beat North Star Charter, 52-44, to collect its second straight championship.

The junior varsity girls' team downed Melba, 40-31, to win the tourney.

Husky beats Trojan for wrestling title — Marsing's Austin Glenn beat fellow senior Ismahel Mendoza of Homedale for the 182-pound championship at the Magic Valley Classic in Wendell.

Golf, JV baseball reinstated in Homedale — After parents and boosters raised enough money to support the teams, the school board brought back golf and the junior varsity baseball team. Both squads were slated for elimination for fiscal reasons.

Adrian grad earns athlete of week honor — Maurus Hope, a senior sprinter at Northwest Nazarene University, was named the Great Northwest Athletic Conference Male Athlete of the Week after breaking the school record in the 200 meters at an indoor track and field meet in Nampa.

February

Homedale girl qualifies for judo nationals — Gabby Nash, a member of the Owyhee County Judo Club, won a championship at the Oregon State Judo Champion-

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Marsing players hoisted the 2A state football third-place trophy in November at Holt Arena in Pocatello. Photo by Dan Pease

Sports

✓ 2012: One local embarks on pro football career, another continues his

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ships to qualify for the USA Judo Senior Nationals.

Trojans' title hopes end in semifinals — In one of Matt Holtry's final games as coach, the Homedale girls' basketball team lost, 54-33, to second-seed Fruitland in the semifinals of the 3A District III Tournament. Homedale's season ended at 11-9 with a 38-37 setback to Payette.

Marsing girls win conference, but can't survive district — The Huskies won their second consecutive 2A WIC championship, but had to settle for fourth place in the 2A District III tournament after a 48-30 loss to New Plymouth.

Homedale, Marsing girls take subvarsity titles — The junior varsity team capped an 18-0 season under Joe Betancourt with a 35-23 win over Fruitland in the 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament championship game. After being named a district coach of the year, Betancourt would succeed Holtry as varsity coach later in 2012.

The Trojans' frosh-soph club, coached by Janee Olds, edged Fruitland, 25-23, in their tourney final.

Marsing's JV won the 2A Western Idaho Conference championship with a 37-32 win over New Plymouth.

Homedale's Corta walks on with BSU football — After starring for two seasons at quarterback for the Trojans, Trey Corta saw his dream come true when he decided to walk on with the Broncos. He's expected to fit best at either receiver or safety when Boise State

returns to practice for the 2013 season.

Frosh champion leads Trojans wrestlers — Freshman Devin Fisher beat teammate Michael Deleon to win the 113-pound title at the 3A District III Championship meet, highlighting eight state meet berths for Homedale. Fisher, junior Brad McCain and seniors Ismahel Mendoza and Bodie Hyer all earned medals at the state meet in Pocatello.

Marsing sends six wrestlers to State — Ismael Hinojosa (145 pounds) and Austin Williams (160) finished second at the district meet to lead six Huskies into the 2A state championship meet. Williams lost the district championship to fellow Owyhee County wrestler Troy Richardson from Melba. Dillon Danner fought back from an opening-round loss to collect the fifth-place medal at 152.

Two Adrian wrestlers head for 1A Oregon meet — Shane Miller (132) and Mark Ishida (152) earned trips to the state meet in Portland.

Jordan Valley boys knock off rival to reach State — The Mustangs beat Adrian, 44-36, in the 1A District 8 third-place game to earn a spot in the 1A Oregon playoffs. Jordan Valley had to go on the road, losing in the second round, 61-54, to Horizon Christian in Hood River, Ore. The Mustangs narrowly got through the first round, 61-58, against Wallowa.

Marsing JV boys' teams sweep conference crowns — The Hus-

kies A team beat New Plymouth, 54-52, and the B squad knocked off its New Plymouth counterpart, 48-35, as Marsing won both 2A WIC subvarsity championships.

Farwell named lone first-teamer for HHS girls hoops — Kylie

Farwell completed her Trojans' career with a first-team all-conference selection. Later in the year, she would join The College of Idaho women's basketball team.

Former Trojan shifts gears in pro football — Michael Eby returned for his fourth professional season in the Indoor Football League, but in addition to starting at free safety he signed on to help coach the Wyoming Calvary. Eby already has plans to play for the Colorado Ice in 2013, according to his mother, Vicki.

March

Holtry succeeds Hart as HHS athletic director — Homedale school trustees appointed Matt Holtry as the Trojans' new athletic director two months after accepting David Hart's resignation. Hart retired to spend more time with his family. Holtry stepped down as girls' basketball coach to concentrate on the AD job, but remains the Trojans' football coach.

April

HHS grad has breakout decathlon debut — Austin Emry finished second in the Mid-Major Challenge decathlon in Sacramento, Calif., marking a spectacular event debut for the University of



Marsing graduate Shea McClellin was a first-round pick of the NFL's Chicago Bears.

Montana athlete. He went on to finish third in Big Sky Championship meet and competed in the NCAA West Regional.

Marsing grad goes in NFL Draft's first round — After a standout career at Boise State University, Shea McClellin was selected in the first round — 19th overall — in the NFL Draft by the Chicago Bears. McClellin made a strong debut with 1.5 quarterback sacks in his pro debut against the Packers. He was sidelined later in the year with a concussion and a knee injury.

Youth wrestlers win state championships — Jorge Hernandez won the heavyweight championship in the Junior division, and Katie Renz collected gold in the 126-pound Cadet division as the Homedale Wrestling Club competed in the Idaho Cadet and Junior State Freestyle Championships in Nampa. Taylor Coons and Michael Crumrine also placed and, like their teammates, qualified for

a national meet.

Homedale bowler wins youth regional title — Brittany Hergesheimer qualified for the state tournament with a Pepsi Regional Tournament title in the Senior Girls division.

HHS softball exacts some revenge — The Trojans handed Fruitland a rare softball loss, 9-4, on the road in a 3A Snake River Valley conference game. The Grizzlies had beaten the Trojans earlier in the conference season as well as in the 2011 3A state championship game.

May

Big Loop is back — After a year off because of a horse health scare, the Jordan Valley Big Loop Rodeo returned to the Idaho-Oregon border town. Hezzi McGarvia and Josh Prom won the title event championship.

Lowder tosses two no-hitters for Homedale — Senior left-hander Zac Lowder capped Senior Day with a five-inning no-hitter in a 12-1 victory over Payette. He pulled off the feat again later in the month with a 13-0 win over Parma. Lowder tossed 15 1/3 consecutive hitless innings as the Trojans wrapped up the No. 2 seed in the 3A District III Tournament, but was eliminated by Payette.

Marsing baseball reaches State — The Huskies reached the 2A District III championship game and secured a trip to the state tournament with a 9-0 shellacking of Nampa Christian. The team lost the district title game, 4-0, to New Plymouth.

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MARSING HUSKIES



Athlete of the Week Dylan Breshears, jr. boys' basketball

The Play — The 6-foot wing/post came off the bench to average 9.5 points and 4.0 rebounds during the Huskies' back-to-back victories Thursday and Friday. Breshears rallied from a late defensive mistake to hit the game-winning lay-in with 14 seconds left Friday as Marsing won its third consecutive Husky Holiday Classic championship. Breshears is the son of Dave and Cyndi Breshears.

Coach's comment — "He has stepped up big because we need a guy to come off the bench when guys aren't playing the way we need them to."

— JW Chadez



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Girls' Basketball

Varsity
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at Nampa Christian, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at Nampa Christian, 6 p.m.

Wrestling

Junior varsity
Friday, Jan. 4 at Mountain View Tournament, Meridian, 3 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 5 at Mountain View Tournament, Meridian, 8 a.m.

Boys' Basketball

Varsity
Saturday, Jan. 5, home vs. Homedale, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 8, home vs. Payette, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Saturday, Jan. 5, home vs. Homedale, 3:15 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 8, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B
Saturday, Jan. 5, home vs. Homedale, 2 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 8, home vs. Payette, 4:45 p.m.

Sports

✓ 2012: Homedale sports see changes at the top; cowboys repeat at rodeo

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Homedale golfer qualifies for State — Reed Maggard fired 5-over-par 77 at Scotch Pines to finish second at the 3A District Tournament and earn a trip to the state tournament in Preston, where he finished 10th.

Marsing athletes of the year named — Andrea Rodriguez (volleyball, girls' basketball and track and field) and Pedro Carrillo (football and track) were named Paw P.A.C.K. athletes of the year at Marsing High School.

Marsing athletes invade state meet — The Huskies made school history, sending 15 athletes to compete in 16 events at the 2A track and field state meet. Jason Galligan set a school record to win the district high jump title. Other district champions included the sprint medley relay team with another school record and Andrea Rodriguez in the girls' shot put.

Rodriguez would later commit to compete for Treasure Valley Community College.

HHS' high jumper wins state silver — One of four Trojans in the 3A track and field state meet, Seth Bayes picked up a silver in the high jump. Bayes, who won district silver, too, and Ali Abbott made return trips to State, taking Emilee Hann and Bodie Hyer along for the ride. Abbott qualified in two events with third-place finishes at the district meet. Hann won silver in the district girls' high jump.

HHS softball returns to State — The Trojans lost the district championship game to Fruitland, but would meet the Grizzlies again in the 3A state championship game. Fruitland again prevailed, 15-6.

Exchange student represents

HHS in state tennis — Luise Kerzel of Hanover, Germany, played in the 3A tennis state tournament for the Trojans.

Grove succeeds Thomas — Casey Grove moved up from the subvarsity ranks to assume the coaching reins for Homedale High School boys' basketball.

Huskies' Hardy named first team — Kala Hardy was Marsing's only first-team selection for the All-2A Western Idaho Conference softball team.

Marsing prep club rides into state rodeo — Five members of the Marsing High School Rodeo Club — Austin Williams, Lorenzo Lankow, Ricky Sullivan, Chase Robbins and Chris Cowger (of Melba) — competed in the Idaho High School Finals Rodeo in Pocatello.

Rodeo youth reach nationals — Rosie King and Kade Eiguren represented Homedale High School's club at the National High School Finals Rodeo. King was third in the state barrel racing competition. Eiguren was second overall in steer wrestling at State. Cowger also represented Marsing's club at nationals.

Tori Nash collects SRV rookie of the year — Freshman Tori Nash became the second Homedale softball player in as many years to win the all-conference award. She also was one of three first-team All-SRV picks, joining outfielders Laurien Mavey and Gabby Nash.

Lowder leads Trojans baseball all-conference — Left-handed pitcher Zac Lowder, shortstop Trey Corta and center fielder Cody Lynde, all seniors, landed on the All-3A Snake River Valley conference first team.

Kala Hardy lone Marsing softball first-teamer — The junior catcher earned a first-team All-2A WIC nod after leading the Huskies in nearly every statistical category.

June Legion's Rivercats succeed on diamond — Bernardo Galvez ripped a grand slam as the Owyhee Rivercats placed third in the Nampa Father's Day Tournament. The team had placed third in a wood bat tournament in Nampa earlier in the season.

Homedale club team wins own tourney — In tune-up action for the prep boys' basketball season, a team coached by HHS grad Tyler Gibson went 6-0 to win the tournament title.

July Coed volleyball champs crowned — The Barbie Boppers, comprised of Homedale and Eagle athletes, and the Smoking Aces from Marsing won the women's and coed championships, respectively, at the second annual H-Town Slamdown grass volleyball tournament.

An Ensley wins the Homedale derby again — Everett Ensley stood alone after another raucous affair when the 31st annual Homedale Lions Fourth of July Demolition Derby was held at the fairgrounds.

Four teams prevail in Landa-Miller IV softball — Team GTS (A Division), Uranga Gang (B Division), Lil Rusty (C Division) and Conner's Crew (D Division) won championships and Zac Lowder (Conner Landa Award) and Corby Garrett (Daniel Miller Award) col-



Homedale's Zac Lowder wrapped up a stellar season with an appearance in the American Legion postseason.

lected individual honors.

Homedale cowboy wins Silver State title — High school rodeo standout Kade Eiguren paired with a Parma boy to win the team roping championship at the Silver State International Rodeo in Winnemucca, Nev.

Local cowboys appear in Nampa rodeo — Homedale's Chris Landa and Tim Mackenzie won nearly \$1,000 each during the Rope & Run at the 97th annual Snake River Stampede rodeo. Meanwhile, Marsing's Bryan Martinat competed in the professional saddle bronc contest.

Rivercats finish the year fourth — The Owyhee County Rivercats settled for fourth place in the American Legion Area B West Division A Tournament in Middleton after top-seeded Rocky Mountain ended the local team's season with back-to-back losses. Zac Lowder pitched his third no-hitter of the

overall season in the tournament opener.

Percifield softball honors distributed — Tourney organizers renamed the Community Supporter Award in memory of Chris Salove and honored Gem Stop. Championship teams included Badd Xample (A Division), SWAT (B Division), Wilke Farms of Marsing (C Division) and CKT Trucking of Marsing (D Division).

August Locals win county rodeo crowns — Adrian's Carl Seiders (steer wrestling), Marsing's Austin Williams (bareback) and Bryan Martinat (saddle bronc) and Homedale's Cole Twedt and Kasey Garrett of Homedale (local team roping) collected Owyhee County Rodeo championships.

Cross country returns to Marsing — The Huskies fielded a team

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Girls' Basketball
Varsity
Thursday, Jan. 3 at Payette, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at Fruitland, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Jan. 3 at Payette, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at Fruitland, 6 p.m.

Frosh-soph
Thursday, Jan. 3 at Payette, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 8 at Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.

Boys' Basketball
Varsity
Saturday, Jan. 5 at Marsing, 4:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Saturday, Jan. 5 at Marsing, 3:15 p.m.

Frosh-soph
Saturday, Jan. 5 at Marsing, 2 p.m.

Wrestling
Varsity
Tuesday, Jan. 8, home vs. Weiser, 6 p.m.



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Sports

✓ Boys: Marsing has won five of last seven; Homedale awaits Saturday

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toughness and composure.”
Breshears’ winning layup capped a nine-point night for the Huskies reserve. He also had five offensive boards.
“Dylan really gave us a spark. There were a couple times we were a little sluggish similar to the first time we played them when we

just got complacent in their zone and passed it around out there,” Chadez said. “He came off the bench, and he did a great job.”
Jose Acuna continued his role as a dependable scorer for Marsing (5-4), draining five treys en route to a game-high 17 points. Senior post Jason Galligan had 11 points and 10 rebounds, while Miguel

Leon hit two of his team’s six free throws and dished five assists, including on the game-winner.
Jordan Condie scored 10 points for Parma (7-3), which had reached the title game with a 54-43 victory Thursday over Nampa Christian when Condie scored twice as many points as he would Friday.

Thursday: Marsing 53, Liberty Charter 33 — The Huskies’ transition game set the tone quickly against the state’s third-ranked 1A, Div. 1 team.
Feeding off a fast-hands defense, Marsing forged a 20-9 first-quarter lead.
Galligan finished with 10 points, and Acuna scored seven.

Leon, whose frenetic style sparked the defense, led all scorers with 16 points.
Liberty Charter pulled within eight, 24-16, with 3 minutes, 14 seconds left in the first half one Jefferson Washburn’s only field goal of the night.
Dominic Hulsey poured in 16 points for the Patriots.

✓ Girls: Trojans, Huskies play rematch Tuesday

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all-2A WIC final Thursday with a 30-22 win over Glens Ferry. Like Friday, the Trojans pulled off an impressive stretch of defense, holding the Pilots to a free throw in the second quarter.
Krystal Deleon scored 11 for Nampa Christian. Glens Ferry picked up 10 points from Karli McHone.
Thursday: Marsing 49, Liberty Charter 34 — After building a 14-point lead, the Huskies held on through

sloppy stretches in the second half.
“In the first quarter, we came out crisp and executed real well and shot the ball real well,” Little said. “The execution part of it is surprising after a four-day layoff.”
The Patriots, who had lost just once in 10 games before the tournament, outscored Marsing, 9-3, in the third as Alivia Wachsmuth hit the second of her three three-point goals (she would finish with eight points).

The Huskies committed six quick turnovers early in the third quarter.
“I like to just trust the girls and let them play through those instances,” Little said.
The coach’s faith paid off.
Usabel, Hull and Shannon Clover all hit three-point goals in the fourth as Marsing regained its composure.
Destiny Reynolds finished with 10 points and nine rebounds. Marissa Hardy had seven boards.



Marsing’s Ashley Hull drives into the lane against three Liberty Charter defenders Thursday night in the Huskies’ opening-round victory.

✓ 2012: Four of five local football teams reach respective state playoffs

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for the first time in 12 years with former Eastern Oregon University athlete Troy Blackburn leading the way. Dillon Danner started the season with a fifth-place finish in New Plymouth.
Homedale volleyball returns home — After spending the 2011 season in the cramped confines of the middle school gym, the Trojans returned to their repaired home for the 2012 campaign.
Former Mustang saddles up in football — After one year as an assistant coach, Jerry Wroten took over as the top man for Jordan Valley.
Bush team wins Caba’s volleyball title — A team consisting of Shawn Bush, Jason Miller, Jason Huber and Eddie Orpeza collected the sand tournament crown.

September

Hansen nearly gets 300 in Trojans’ win — Casey Hansen rolled up 288 yards in a workhorse performance as Homedale got its first win of the football season, 32-18, over Vale, Ore.
Adrian tallies 750 yards in rout — The Antelopes’ football squad torched Wallowa, 78-28, with quarterback Paxton Shira throwing for 326 yards and five touchdowns.
Marsing shuts down Glens Ferry for Homecoming — Austin Williams rushed for 125 yards and accounted for 267 of the Huskies’ offensive yards in a 29-0 victory over the Pilots.
Mustangs’ defense buckles, but Jordan Valley rolls — The Mustangs’ defense surrendered its first touchdown of the season, but Ty Warn rolled up 201 yards and three touchdowns in Jordan Valley’s 68-6 dismantling of Spray/Mitchell.
Homedale turns on defense, wins third straight Milk Jug — Dayne Jacobs returned an interception 59 yards for a score to

highlight the Trojans’ victory over rival Parma.

October

Trojans baseball coaches honored — Burke Deal and his staff were named 3A District III spring sports coaches of the year.
Huskies pull off big win over New Plymouth — Jason Galligan hauled in a 20-yard TD pass to help Marsing knocked off the Pilgrims in a victory that cleared the way for the Huskies’ first conference championship in football in 15 years. Coach Jaime Wood’s squad wrapped up the title with a 44-2 win over Melba two weeks later.
Homedale alum enters Idaho State Hall of Fame — Josh Hays, who made a name for himself as a defensive lineman for the Bengals’ football team in the 1990s, was inducted into the ISU athletic Hall of Fame.

Danner, Herrera qualify for state cross country — Marsing’s first cross country season in 12 years ended in the state meet with Ofelia Herrera and Dillon Danner competing in the state meet.

HHS football season ends in three-way playoff — The Trojans couldn’t get any traction in a Kansas City tiebreaker to decide the 3A Snake River Valley conference berths into the state playoffs. Payette and Parma collected the No. 3 and No. 4 seeds.

HMS eighth-graders get post-season win — Jacob Furlott and Jake Deal ran for scores as the Trojans beat Parma, 25-19, in the 3A Snake River Valley conference playoffs at Deward Bell Stadium.

Homedale JV volleyball wins conference crown — The Trojans’ subvarsity teams fared well in the 3A SRV championship tournaments. The No. 2 junior varsity squad brought home gold, while the top-seeded frosh-soph was runner-up.

Marsing volleyball season has

rough ending — With two players returning after suffering injuries in a car accident, the Huskies were swept out of the 2A District III Tournament.

Jordan Valley football returns to state playoffs — Beginning the season 8-0, the Mustangs clinched their first 1A Oregon state playoffs berth in three years with a 50-26 win over Crane.

HMS volleyball finishes on high note — The seventh-grade A team rallied in the semifinals and nailed down second place in the conference tournament, while the B team shared the 3A SRV regular-season championship.

November

Marsing football rolls into state semifinals — With the community fully behind them, the Huskies went deeper into the state playoffs than any Marsing team since coach Jaime Wood was playing for his alma mater in the 1990s. The Huskies won two 2A state playoff games at home before bringing home a third-place trophy and a 9-2 record after a 36-0 loss to Declo in the semifinals at Holt Arena in Pocatello.

Adrian ends JV’s unbeaten run for 1A HDL crown — Kurt Nielson scored three first-quarter touchdowns as the Antelopes beat their rival to complete an undefeated run through the 1A High Desert League season. Both teams would lose in the first round of the 1A Oregon playoffs.

Antelopes’ volleyball season ends in second round — After getting a first-round bye in the 1A Oregon playoffs, Adrian fell at home to Imbler. Adrian’s Aimee Esplin was named the 1A HDL coach of the year, while senior Madi Purnell was voted player of the year.

Hann stands as Trojans’ lone all-conference pick — Senior right-side hitter Emilee Hann re-

ceived an honorable mention slot on the All-3A SRV volleyball team and ended her career in the senior all-star match.

Rimrock volleyball players recognized — Senior Johanna Mori played in the year-end all-star match, and Kyla Jewett earned first-team All-1A Western Idaho Conference honors.

Marsing’s Usabel named first team — Senior Lacey Usabel backed up an All-2A WIC first-team nod with an appearance in the senior all-star volleyball match.

Seniors lace ‘em up one last time — Marsing’s Jason Galligan and Justin Glenn and Robert Evans and Xavier Hernandez from Homedale finished their football careers as Shrine All-Stars. Glenn suffered a knee injury on one of the last plays of the 11-man game. Meanwhile, Rimrock’s Juan Colunga coached an eight-man all-star team that included Raiders Cristian Ayala, Austin Meyers, Porter Simper and Jacob Black.

Huskies’ history saluted — Jaime Wood was tabbed as coach of the year, and Charlie Galvez as the 2A WIC’s top defensive player. Jason Galligan was a two-way first-teamer, and other first-teamers included Miguel Leon, Austin Williams, Tristan Jacobi, Angel Loera, Cody Rhodes and Jesus Lino.

Trojans land three first-teamers — Robert Evans, Britt Eubanks and Luke Flaming — the latter two underclassmen — were placed on the All-3A SRV football first-team.

Rimrock’s Meyers 1A WIC’s top defensive player — Austin Meyers was named the conference’s defensive player of the year and a first-teamer as running back. Teammates Cristian Ayala, Jacob Black (both two-way picks), Ramon Salinas, Porter Simper, Cole Pattee, Jared Lemieux and Nick Bennett were also placed on the first-team football team.

Marsing faces wrestling season with new coach — A volunteer assistant in 2011-12, Jon Nelson took over from Rick Folwell two months before the 2012-13 season started at Marsing.

December

Trojans beat rivals — A fast start to the third quarter pushed Homedale’s girls to an easy non-conference win over Marsing. The Huskies would exact revenge a few days later with a defensive victory.

Huskies girls off to fast start in 2A WIC — After a literally rough beginning to the season, the Marsing girls’ basketball team won its first six games in conference play.

Adrian teams sweep to tournament titles — Paxton Shira averaged a double-double in a two-game tourney for the boys, while Madi Purnell had a double-double in the girls’ team’s victory in the Prairie City Tournament title game.

Emry opens indoor season with breakout — University of Montana heptathlete Austin Emry, a Homedale grad, set the college’s record at an indoor meet in Washington state.

Trojans open wrestling season on a roll — Tyler Hardy and Brad McCain won individual titles at the Calhoun Classic, and a week later the Homedale wrestlers brought home the team championship at the Glens Ferry Duals Tournament. Also at the Calhoun, the Trojans’ junior varsity won the team title.

Huskies’ boys beat Trojans — Marsing got its first win of the season, beating Homedale, 55-48, when Miguel Leon scored 10 of his 16 points in the fourth quarter.

HMS’ Caleb Meligan wins second straight wrestling title — The eighth-grader repeated as a champion at the 3A Snake River Valley conference finals.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
The OsamaConomy

Grandpa Tommy was reminiscing, “It’s a shame everybody couldn’t go through the Great Depression.” I know what he meant. I think. He didn’t mean it like “It’s a shame everybody hadn’t been in a concentration camp or had polio.” He was remarking that most of us Baby Boomers and younger folks are unable to appreciate how technology has pampered us. There was no safety net back then. Grandpa Tommy spent the Dirty 30s in the depths of the Dust Bowl in Syracuse, Kan. Then the first half of the ’40s he was on a Navy vessel in the Pacific.

He passed away without seeing our OsamaConomy. The hard times that today’s generations are suffering under, began on 9/11/2001. We sank to the bottom immediately. Unemployment in 2002 was 7.5 percent. We pulled ourselves out and by 2007 unemployment had fallen to 4.5 percent. Then we over-reached and crashed again in 2008, where we have wallowed for four years with eight to 10 percent unemployment. But this whole series of events in the past 11 years began on 9/11/01.

During this OsamaConomy, a large percent of our population has had to tighten our belts, however a smaller 10 percent has suffered mightily. But, in Grandpa Tommy’s defense, just a very tiny percent of those of us caught in the vise of OsamaConomy have gone hungry or have no roof over their heads. Present-day technology has allowed the majority of the unemployed access to computers, cell phones, vehicles, televisions, emergency health care and school for their kids.

The safety net that is helping these “victims” includes family, friends, churches, private giving and government programs financed by those still working and paying taxes. This safety net has prevented any mass migration of the unemployed seeking work. If there had been a mass migration, North Dakota and Wyoming would have doubled in population! The 10 percent unemployed have been able to stay in familiar surroundings and are able to get temporary assistance to ride it out.

The Great Depression had 25 percent unemployment at its peak and lasted nine to 10 years. Only the outbreak of World War II brought an end to it.

It is the prayer of all of us, that our foundering leaders will get their collective heads out of the mud, step out of the way and let America go back to work. It took us five years to recover after 9/11. In 2007, the federal government collected a record-high annual tax revenue from the private sector. That money came from people working and paying taxes, from Bill Gates to the legal immigrant mowing his lawn.

We all breathed a sigh of relief when our soldiers finally sent Osama Bin Laden to his rightful place. There seems to be a lot of blame thrown around about who should bear the burden of our toxic economy. I don’t have any doubt. It was him. Osama was this generation’s Hitler, Ho Chi Minh, Yamamoto and Small Pox.

In 2005, I went to New Orleans after Katrina to muck out houses. There were two kinds of people that showed up: those who came to help and those who came to blame. In this OsamaConomy, we’ve been barraged with ads and debates by those who come to blame. My head is ringing. But I know we will get out of this mess. Not because I have faith in the government, but because I have faith in those who get up every day and come to work, like Grandpa Tommy did, just doin’ his part.

Happy New Year and God bless you.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee
Tell us a story



I’ve always been a fan of reminiscing. As a child, I spent hours at the home of my next-door neighbor, Gertrude Brownlee, listening to her stories of what it was like in years past.

Today, with the new year, comes what we hope turns into a new feature at The Owyhee Avalanche.

Publisher Joe Aman’s recollection (Page 6) of his harrowing ordeal as a 13-year-old trying to tame a treacherous road in a Ford Model A brings a new opportunity for folks to share their memories.

The idea is to open the pages of the Avalanche to first-person recollections of noteworthy occurrences in Owyhee County history.

Rest easy, however. The events don’t have to be watershed moments for the county; they can be just funny or poignant family stories.

And, as we all know, there are plenty of storytellers in this county.

Anyone with a tale to tell who thinks that story could be of interest to the wider public is encouraged to contact the Avalanche and pitch the idea. We will welcome photos to go with the articles, too. The articles should be 500 words or less.

This is envisioned as a monthly feature, but could expand if there is enough interest.

The new feature is the perfect opportunity to kick off the ramp-up to the 150th anniversary year of Owyhee County. The county was incorporated on Dec. 31, 1863.

Of course, with the true anniversary date (now) less than a year away, there will be ample opportunity to delve into the formal history of the county, too.

For now, however, we’re looking for personal histories and stories. And, of course, these stories should be good-natured and not take shots at anyone. The stories also could retell family stories from long ago, too, not just recent events.

With the advent of Facebook and a large amount of Internet reporting, the concept of a “community journalist” has taken off for larger daily newspapers.

Suffice to say that the true community reporting has been and always will be in the small weekly newspaper that focus on the day-to-day lives of your friends, family and neighbors.

This new feature will expand on that community idea, providing a portal for “community historians.”

If you’re interested in helping us launch this new feature, give us a shout at (208) 337-4681, ext. 102 or email jon@owyheeavalanche.com.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington
Redundant federal regulation of water damages economy



Job creation and economic growth require that Congress actively practice its oversight responsibilities, including reviewing regulations that affect small businesses and workers and curtailing redundant and overly burdensome federal mandates. That is why I recently joined a bipartisan group of senators in introducing legislation to clarify congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters. This issue is another example of overregulation that needs to be addressed.

Many critics, including farmers, fear that the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) proposed rules and regulations do not always fully take into consideration the economic consequences of the regulations, which can result in significant obstacles to growth and job creation. We must be good stewards of our natural resources, and this includes close and serious consideration of the social and economic impacts associated with restricting the use of our resources.

The need to curb redundant regulation drove me to join in introducing the Restoring Effective Environmental Protection (REEP) Act, S. 3605. This legislation, introduced by Sen. Kay Hagan (D-N.C.), would clarify that Clean Water Act permits are not required for pesticide applications in or near water and requests that the EPA report to Congress on whether the Federal Insecticide Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) process can be improved to better protect human health and the environment from pesticide applications. So far, 11 senators, including fellow Idaho Sen. Jim Risch, have cosponsored this legislation.

According to the Congressional Research Service, there are an estimated 18,000 pesticide products currently in use, and these chemicals are generally regulated under

FIFRA. The EPA indicates that new pesticides must undergo 100 different tests to characterize their potential risks to the environment and human and wildlife health. In addition to this extensive review process, the EPA began requiring Clean Water Act permits for certain applications of pesticides in or near water.

Many are rightly concerned that this redundant regulation would cause considerable additional costs, paperwork requirements and delays without providing a substantive health and environmental benefit. The EPA’s own cost analysis indicates the new permitting requirements will cost more than \$50 million per year, as well as at least one million hours to process. The cost to rural America is significant, especially considering that virtually every stream and creek near pesticide applications will be subject to regulation under the rule.

One of my priorities in the 112th Congress is regulatory reform. Americans deserve the curtailment of unreasonable government mandates, including EPA overreach, to encourage innovation, create long-term job opportunities and success in the world market. Our rural communities are under a substantial amount of financial and regulatory pressure and are looking to Congress for much-needed relief.

With the help of those affected by these regulations, I will continue to work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to limit overly burdensome federal regulation.

— 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. To view his responses to issues of interest, visit <http://crapo.senate.gov>.

Letters to the editor deadline

All letters to the editor submissions must be received by noon Friday for consideration for publication in the

next edition. For more information, call (208) 337-4681, ext. 102 or email jon@owyheeavalanche.com

Commentary

Financial management

Adult children must be open if they expect Mom to help

Dear Dave,
I'm trying to help my son and daughter-in-law by encouraging them to get out of debt and live on a budget.
It hasn't been a problem to give them money when they've asked in the past, but I'm afraid they're still in a mess.
How can I make sure I'm doing the right thing?
— Margaret



ing up and being honest about their situation and behavior is a requirement for them to receive more of your help.
I know you guys love each other, but be prepared for them to get defensive. Lots of times people are embarrassed to talk about their mistakes, no matter how nicely you approach things. They may decide not to answer any questions and say that it's none of your business. That's fine, too. Just make sure they

understand Mom won't open her checkbook unless they open up about their finances.
This isn't about you being nosy or controlling. It's about making sure you're not giving a drunk a drink and further enabling any misbehavior. Then, if they're willing to talk, and as a result, you feel they truly need help, make sure any money you give them is a gift, not a loan.
I know it hurts to see them go through rough times, Margaret. But if they're acting irresponsibly with money, they need to suffer the consequences of their actions. That, along with your love and advice, can help them turn the corner and win with money!
— Dave

Dear Dave,
I have one bill left from an emergency room visit earlier this year, and I'm trying to settle with a collections agency. They're willing to accept half of the \$930 owed, but they want me to pay online or by phone, and I don't feel safe doing that. What should I do?
— Allison

Just tell them to send you, by email or regular letter, a statement saying that \$465 will be accepted as payment in full for the debt. Also, tell them you'll turn around the day you receive this letter and send them a cashier's check for that amount. Until then, they can go jump in the lake!
— Dave

Dear Allison,
If they're willing to lower the bill by half, then you need to get that in writing. If you don't have it in writing, you don't have a deal. And whatever you do, don't give them *any* form of electronic access to your money. I've seen too many collectors lie to people about "agreements," then go in and raid their accounts.

— Dave Ramsey has authored four New York Times best-selling books: *Financial Peace*, *More Than Enough*, *The Total Money Makeover* and *EntreLeadership*. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 5 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Americans for Limited Government

Sandy relief bill another chance for bureaucrats to cash in

by Howard Rich

There are plenty of reasons why America is teetering on the brink of fiscal collapse — unsustainable entitlement costs, unprecedented welfare expansion and loose monetary policy from the Fed (to name just a few) — but another reason is the shameful exploitation of disaster relief funding.
The latest example of this contemptible practice is the massive \$60.4 billion “Hurricane Sandy recovery bill” currently making its way through Congress. Like prior “emergency relief” resolutions, this legislation — the largest disaster appropriation in American history — is more about propping up politicians and bailing out bureaucracies than it is about helping those in need.
Before addressing this latest boondoggle, though, let's make one thing clear: Government shouldn't be in the “disaster relief” business in the first place.
“Except for the deployment and coordination of National Guard units, local police, and fire fighters to enforce the rule of law and to protect private property ... national government ought not to bear the primary responsibility for disaster relief,” William F. Shugarth, a University of Mississippi professor who investigated public and private sector responses to Hurricane Katrina, writes. “The price tag is simply too high.”
Shugarth's extensive research chronicles the “bureaucratic paralysis” that afflicted the public sector during the Katrina debacle — contrasting government's inefficiency and corruption with the speed and humanity of the private-sector response.
“In the case of Hurricane Katrina, as in many other

natural disasters, the immediate reactions of for-profit businesses, nongovernmental organizations large and small, and countless individual volunteers amply demonstrate that the private sector can and will supply disaster relief in adequate and perhaps socially optimal quantities,” Shugarth concludes.
Of course in Obama's America these corporate citizens exist only to be vilified — and then taxed into oblivion — even though they are among the very first to reach needy citizens during times of crisis.
“(Private sector) companies did not tend only to their narrow interests when catastrophe struck,” Shugarth notes. “The disaster plans they had in place allowed them to fill broader needs far in advance of the official first-responders.”
The public sector's response on the other hand was an unmitigated failure from the start — a case study in bureaucratic mismanagement and resource misappropriation. In fact the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) not only botched its own response — it actually impeded non-profit first responders in their efforts to help those in need.
“The Red Cross begged to be allowed to go (into New Orleans) to distribute essential relief supplies but was prevented by government officials from doing so,” reveals a 2006 report published by The Cato Institute, one of numerous instances in which Homeland Security bureaucrats stood in the way of vital aid.
The Cato report also reveals the extent to which political considerations dictate the appropriation of disaster funds, concluding that “as long as the federal government has

the power to dispense disaster relief funds, its incentive is to do so in a way that maximizes political ends instead of dispensing them to those with genuine need.”
Permitting politicians and bureaucrats to manage a disaster makes about as much sense as letting them manage a budget in the first place.
And that brings us back to the so-called “Sandy recovery bill.”
What's in this boondoggle?
Well there's a \$300 million bailout for Amtrak — government's money-losing train system. There's also \$150 million set aside for “fishery disasters” — including money earmarked for Alaska and Mississippi. There's even \$50 million for the National Park Service's Historic Preservation Fund.
But these are just a few of the fringe expenses associated with this monstrosity. The “Sandy recovery bill” also includes \$1.5 billion for the Army Corps of Engineers to spend on unrelated dredging projects and “damage from previous natural disasters.” Billions more in “community development block grants” will also flow far outside of the impacted areas.
It's a bureaucratic free-for-all, in other words.
It's been said that the federal government never lets a crisis go to waste. Apparently it never stops wasting money in a crisis, either. In either case it's time for this failed top-down approach to give way to the proven efficiency of the private sector. That's the best way to protect citizens — and taxpayers — when disasters strike.
— Howard Rich is chairman of Americans for Limited Government. The Senate passed the bill last week.



Letter to the editor

Owyhee supporter Sen. Mike Crapo proves he's human

I don't know if they'll ever learn, but Republican congressmen from Idaho must realize that they are held to a higher standard than their Democratic colleagues.
I could bring up Barney Frank's antics and Bill Clinton's definition of “what is and what isn't,” but I won't. What I will comment on is that Sen. Crapo has been a staunch supporter of Idaho and Owyhee County.
As we teeter on the edge of a fiscal cliff and await news of what happened in Libya and Mexican gun-running, the press diverts attention by taking aim at Senator Crapo from “I-DE-HO.”

It's a given that running a stoplight could have resulted in a serious situation.
The senator was reported as being a Mormon bishop, which was informative. But the real issue is that we humans have proven over and over that we can and will screw up. That trait has kept priests, bishops, rabbis, parsons, ayatollahs, etc., busy for thousands of years.
I remember something from Sunday School days about people in glass houses being advised not to throw rocks.
Michael Hanley IV
Jordan Valley

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

35 years ago

January 5, 1978

McClure requests grazing fee hearings in Idaho

Washington — Idaho’s U.S. Senator Jim McClure, upon returning to his Washington office today, requested that the Department of Interior conduct public hearings in Idaho concerning the proposed increase in federal grazing fees. McClure made the request following announcement that the Bureau of Land Management will hold five public hearings in western states, but none in Idaho. Hearings have been announced during the week of January 9-13 in Wyoming, Colorado, Nevada, Utah, and Arizona.

In a letter to Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus, McClure said, “Mr. Secretary, the State of Idaho was again conspicuously absent from the list of announced public hearing locations. Stockmen in Idaho, like those in every other western state, are extremely concerned over the newly proposed grazing fees. They have a right to take part in such public meetings at a location convenient to them.”

McClure went on to say, “Given the financial condition of many of our stockmen, the proposed increase in grazing fees may put some over the brink of financial disaster.”

The Bureau of Land Management and the Department of Agriculture has proposed that 1978 grazing fees be increased from \$1.51 per animal unit month, to \$1.89 per a.u.m, and will increase as much as 25 percent per year until USDA-Department of Interior approved fees are reached.

Road names sought

Owyhee County is presently in a project of preparing to place signs on county roads, commission chairman Howard Bergeson said Wednesday.

Two men are now contacting rural residents to learn road names, Bergeson said. Once the names of the roads are determined, signs will be prepared and installed.

“Many rural streets have names, dating back years ago, but we (the board) are not aware of them,” he explained.

New board members named for library

New board of directors for the Homedale Community Library are Elsie Kushlan and Mardell Kiesel as co-chairmen; Millie Shanley, treasurer; Hazel Uldrich, head librarian; Opal Nash, board member and Phyllis Van Slyke. The group meets the second Monday of each month at the library. Phyllis Van Slyke, board member, represents the Homedale group at the trustees meeting on the Library Building in Caldwell and the trustees quarterly meeting in Boise and gives a detailed report to the Homedale group. Hazel Uldrich edits a two-page newsletter each month and features reports about area libraries, new books received at the library and almost anything else pertaining to the library.

The library is now open six days a week from 2:00 to 5:00 on Tuesday and Saturdays and from 1:00 to 5:30 on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Over 3,000 books are now available for readers to check out, and patrons can request any books that are not available and they can be obtained from the Boise Public Library. It was reported that over 100 youngsters participated in the summer reading program.

Bruening – ‘most valuable player’

Deb Bruening, a senior, was selected as the “most valuable” player on Homedale’s varsity volleyball team. The award was presented at an awards breakfast held at the banquet room of the Owyhee Lanes. Bruening is a four-year varsity letterman and served as co-captain of the team; was selected on the Western Idaho Conference All-Star team; had the high point season of 99 points and the high point game of 14.

Pilar Badiola, a senior, was selected as the “most inspirational” player and also served as co-captain of the team. She is a two-year varsity letterman, selected to the Western Idaho Conference All-Star team, the NNC All-Star team at summer camp, was second high point player for the season with 60 points and second high point game with 12 points.

50 years ago

January 3, 1963

New highway — yippee!

Sen. Frank Church, (D-Idaho), today announced that the Federal Bureau of Public Roads has approved an allocation of \$300,000 for improvement of Idaho’s State Highway 51.

Church said the funds would be spent during the fiscal year beginning July 1 on the unimproved portion of the highway, which crosses the Owyhee desert in southeastern Idaho. The Idaho senator said he had been informed by Rex Whitton, Federal Highway Administrator, that the proposed improvement would be carried to the construction stage by the Idaho Department of Highways. The allocation will be from public lands funds, Church said.

Wins rifle in Big Buck contest

Ray Levanger won the Big Buck contest sponsored by the Homedale Supply. Ray killed a buck deer weighing 285 pounds in the Indian Meadow area of Owyhee County.

He received a Remington Model 760, 30-06 Rifle.

Wess named Marsing chief

Lent Wess, former Marsing resident, now living in California, has accepted Chief of Police post at Marsing.

Everett Ballou, present chief, will be deputy sheriff of Owyhee County and Bert Spencer will remain partime watermaster and deputy marshal, Mayor Richard Birmingham announced Sunday.

Marsing to vote on \$250,000 bond issue January 8

A special school bond election of the joint Class B District No. 363, Marsing, will beheld Tuesday, Jan. 8, in the mathematics room of the high school.

Voting hours will be from 12 noon to 8 p.m.

Bonds will total \$250,000 for building a junior high school with administration offices; addition of a classroom to the present grade school; remodeling the high school gym into a science room and laboratory; remodeling the high school library facilities and building a new gym; provide apparatus and equipment for up-to-date science courses; and make repairs and improvement of schools within the district.

Homedale locals

Marlene Pierce attended a New Years Eve party with Nolene Troxel and family at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Hensen. After the party Marlene spent the night with Nolene and returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Pegram and family and Orville Simmons of Othello, Wash., spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Pegram. Christmas dinner guests also included Mr. ad Mrs. Gene Shield and family, Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Pegram and family, Marsing, and Mr. and Mrs. John Echevarria and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce and family spent Christmas Eve with her sister and family Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kindelberger of Meridian. Early Pierce was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce and family were Christmas evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stutheit.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Benoit of Venita, Ore., and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stutheit were Friday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Troxel and family of Central Cove community spent New Years Eve with Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Henson and family.

Beet growers to meet at Marsing Jan. 8

A meeting of the beet growers association for the area including Homedale, Marsing, Sunnyslope and Huston will be held Tuesday evening, January 8 at 7:30 o’clock at the American Legion hall, Marsing, according to Ronald Dobbin, Marsing, association president.

John Cegnar is Homedale representative, Jack Thompson for Marsing and Herman Vogt for the Huston community.

140 years ago

January 4, 1873

MANNERS. If men could purchase manners as they do their clothing, it would be a great benefit to the human race. We are sadly deficient in that respect. We are gruff and morose, and act for the most part as if the world was made for our special benefit, and we were the only one in it. We crowd and jostle along the walk, occupy the largest possible space in the cars, tread on our neighbor’s corns, and generally pay no attention to either the person or the needs of others. And we born of being a people of good manners heaven save the mark! A company of trained monkeys have as much. We act very much like the “mildest man that ever scuttled a ship or cut a throat,” and yet flatter ourselves that we are gentlemen! A man of truly polite manners and all other things will follow in due time, and society run far more smoothly in its grooves than it does now.

ARE PERSONS OFTEN BURIED ALIVE? A little girl at Fort Wayne, Ind., whose funeral services were lately being conducted, woke up very much surprised at the crowd assembled in her honor, and soon recovered. A young lady, in Quebec, who was supposed to have died, regained consciousness while the undertaker was measuring her for a coffin. She called for something to eat, ate a hearty supper and got well. A young lady named Parks seemly died, to all appearances, it is said at Pine Creek, Ind., and was dressed for the grave, but in answer to the passionate manifestations of her relatives, she sate up and conversed with them, and then was taken home. At Sandsom, Ind., a young lady was taken sick and from all appearances was perfectly dead, the family physician pronounced her dead, and sure enough, she was dead.

NEWSPAPERS. The value of newspapers is by no means appreciated, says an exchange, but the rapidity with which people are waking up to their necessity and usefulness is one of the significant signs of the times. Few families are now content with a single newspaper. The thirst for knowledge is not easily satiated and books, though useful — yea, absolutely necessary in their place — fail to meet the demand of youth or age. The village newspaper is eagerly sought after, and its contents eagerly devoured. Then comes the demand for the county news, State news, national and foreign news. Next to political comes the literary and scientific journals. This variety is demanded to satisfy the cravings of an active mind.

Newspapers are also valuable to many across the nation and profoundly in every village, county and locality they spread before the reader a map, on which may be traced character, design, progress. If a stranger calls a hotel, he first inquires for a village newspaper; if a friend comes from a distance, the very first thing after a family greeting he asks for your village or county newspaper, and you feel discomfited if you can not find a late copy, and dumbfounded if you are compelled to say you do not take it.

The newspaper is just as necessary to fit a man for his true positions in life as food or raiment. Show us a ragged, barefooted boy rather than an ignorant one. His head will cover his feet in after life if he is well supplied with newspapers. Show us the child that is fond of newspapers. He will make the man of mark in after life if you gratify that desire for knowledge. Other things being equal, it is a rule that never fails. Give the children newspapers.

A MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR. A couple of passengers — a lady and a gentleman, who reside in Silver City — had a curious adventure on the stage bound hitherward, a few miles this side of Boise City, about 4 o’clock last Thursday morning. It was rather funny, somewhat romantic, but might have ended seriously, and perhaps tragically. If we get light enough on the subject, we will relate a detailed account of the affair in our next.

THE WEATHER. It snowed and blowed furiously here on New Year’s Day, cleared up and was pleasant the next day, but on yesterday, the storm king paid us another royal visit, and is howling around at a fearful rate as we go to press.

Public notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON CONSIDERATION OF INCREASE IN FEES TO BE ASSESSED BY DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING SAFETY

On Monday, January 7, 2013, commencing at 11:00 am, in Courtroom 2 at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy. The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners will hear public comments regarding proposed fee increases and proposed new fees assessed for the Department of Building Safety.

The Owyhee County Building Code requires fees to be assessed in accordance with provisions adopted by the jurisdiction for permit fees, plan review fees, inspection fees and the determination of value for the conduct of business. The fees currently charged have not been increased as costs of operation have increased.

At such hearing, the Owyhee County department head will outline the requested increases and will address the need for proposed increases. A list of the requested fee amounts is available at the office of the Clerk for review between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.

The Board is conducting this public hearing pursuant to Idaho Code §31-801, §31-819 and §63-1311A.

12/19,26/12;1/2/13

BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

On January 22, 2013 beginning at 10:00 AM the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear testimony in the Annex Building of the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho on the following matters at the times listed below.

Beginning at 10:00 am, the Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Edward Frisbie seeking to establish a second single-family residence on an approximately 140 acre parcel of land, parcel number RP01S02W201961A. The property is located at 11800 Walking Plow Lane, south east of Upper Reynolds Creek Road, Melba Id, Owyhee County. The property is in an Agricultural zone, located in the SE ¼ of Section 20, Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 11:00 am The Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Clyde and Jackie Sevy seeking to establish a second single-family residence on an approximately 39 acre parcel of land. The property is located in an Agricultural zone off Highway 78, approximately 3 miles northwest of Givens Hot Springs in the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 1, Township 1 North, Range 4 West, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Copies of the proposed projects are available for review in the Planning and Zoning office. For additional information please contact the Planning and Zoning office at 495-2095.

1/2/13

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the **Bruneau Buckaroo Ditch Company** will be held at the Bruneau Legion Hall on Monday, **January 7, 2013 at 7:00 p.m..**

Chris Alzola, Secretary

1/2/13

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV2012-02773 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

In the Matter of the Estates of FAE L. THOM and HERBERT L. THOM, Deceased Persons.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estates. All persons having claims against the said decedents are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estates at the law office of DAVID E. KERRICK, 1001 Blaine Street, (Post Office Box 44) Caldwell, Idaho.

DATED this 17th day of December, 2012.

/s/Randy Black, Personal Representative

DAVID E. KERRICK, ISB #2565, 1001 Blaine Street, Post Office Box 44 Caldwell, Idaho 83606. (208) 459-4574 Fax (208) 459-4573, Attorney for Personal Representative
12/26/12;1/2,9/13

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. ID-PRV-12002576

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on **April 26, 2013**, at the hour of **11:00 AM**, of said day, **ON THE STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID**, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, to-wit:

A parcel of land situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. Said parcel is a portion of that certain tract described as Parcel 1 in dated March 7, 1990 and recorded March 9, 1990 as Instrument No. 201918, records of Owyhee County, Idaho, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Northwest corner of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence East 190 feet; thence South 100 feet; thence West 190 feet; thence North 100 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 5950 HIGHWAY 78, MARSING, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured

by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DEVIN GLENN AND STEPHANIE GLENN, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF CANYON COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MARIA G. MARTINEZ, A SINGLE WOMAN, as Beneficiary, dated 7/23/2002, recorded 7/31/2002, under Instrument No. 240402, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MARIA G. MARTINEZ, A SINGLE WOMAN.

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

The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 7/23/2002, FAILURE TO PAY THE INSTALLMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST WHICH BECAME DUE ON 10/31/2012; PLUS LATE CHARGES, AND ADVANCES FOR DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES, IRRIGATION TAXES AND HAZARD INSURANCE AS SET FORTH; AND ALL SUBSEQUENT INSTALLMENTS OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST, PLUS LATE CHARGES, DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES, DELINQUENT INSURANCE PREMIUMS AND ALL FORECLOSURE COSTS AND FEES.

All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$28,983.80, together with interest thereon at 10.000% per annum from 10/3/2012, until paid.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same.

DATED: 12/21/2012.

Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services

Trustee By Amy L. Bowles, Assistant Secretary c/o Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, 8151 W. Rifleman Street, Boise, ID 83704 Phone: 888-342-2510

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

At 10:00 o'clock A.M. (recognized local time) on April 16, 2013, on the front steps of Owyhee County Courthouse, located at, 20381 St. Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho, First American Title Company 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 Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 3 of Block 2 of Big Sky Estates No. One, part of Government Lot 4, Section 4, Township 3 North, Range 5 West of Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, City of Homedale,

according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho

Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2515. According to the Trustee's records, the street address of 506 East Selway Drive, Homedale, Idaho 83628 is sometimes associated with said property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust for Idaho executed by, Debra L Mainarick, an unmarried woman, as Grantor(s), First American Title Insurance Company of Blackfoot, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of, The United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture, as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust for Idaho was recorded July 14, 2006 as Owyhee County Recorder's Instrument No. 257286.

The default for which this sale is to be made is as follows: 1) Failure to make the monthly payment of \$457.25 due for the 14th day of February, 2012, and a like sum of \$457.25 due for the 14th day of each and every month thereafter; and 2) Failure to comply with paragraph 4 of said Deed of Trust for Idaho, Borrower shall pay all taxes, assessments, charges, fines and impositions attributable to the Property which may attain priority over this Security Instrument. Specifically general taxes for the first 1/2 of 2012 are now due and payable.

The above Grantor(s) are named to comply with Section 45-1506(4)(a), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. As of November 19, 2012 there is due and owing on the loan an unpaid principal balance of \$95,468.83, accrued interest in the amount of \$5,067.69, subsidy granted in the amount of \$15,710.80 and fees currently assessed in the amount of \$586.79 for a total amount due of \$116,834.11. Interest continues to accrue on the Note at the rate of 6.25% per annum with a per diem rate of \$16.3474 after November 19, 2012. All delinquencies are now due together with any late charges, advances to protect the security, and fees and costs associated with this foreclosure. The beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED December 7, 2012

FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY, INC., SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE

/s/ Dalia Martinez, Trust Officer
12/19,26/12;1/2,9/13

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's

date: November 30, 2012 File No.: 7042.28188 Sale date and time (local time): April 2, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 3927-3929 Homestead Rd Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Ronald E. Wolfley, an unmarried man Original trustee: Fidelity National Title Insurance Company Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Countrywide Bank, FSB Recording date: 03/24/2008 Recorder's instrument number: 264335 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of November 30, 2012: \$111,848.80 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: A part of the East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 18, Township 3 North, Range 5 West of Boise Meridian, in Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described to wit: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 18; thence South 0 degrees 03'14" East 1287.19 feet, along the East line of said Section 18, to the initial point of this description; thence continue South 0 degrees 03'14" East 29.88 feet, to the North 1/16 corner on the said East line; thence continue South 0 degrees 03'14" East 218.84 feet; thence North 87 degrees 27'53" West 337.41 feet; thence North 2 degrees 41'20" West 217.11 feet; thence North 88 degrees 32'57" East 102.66 feet; thence North 85 degrees 41'15" East 30.95 feet; thence North 82 degrees 05'18" East 23.86 feet; thence North 81 degrees 36'26" East 42.80 feet; thence North 87 degrees 06'35" East 43.87 feet; thence North 89 degrees 51'38" East 103.76 feet, to the Initial Point of this description. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7042.28188) 1002.235219-File No.
12/12,19,26/12;1/2/13



Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: December 4, 2012 File No.: 7037.93988 Sale date and time (local time): April 4, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 220 W Montana Ave Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Brandon Wright, a married man, as his sole & separate property Original trustee: Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for First Horizon Home Loans, a Division of First Tennessee Bank N.A., its successors and assigns Recording date: 06/30/2008 Recorder’s instrument number: 265507 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of December 4, 2012: \$104,652.60 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is: Lot 11 in Block 39 of Amended Townsite of Homedale, according to the official plat thereof, filed August 9, 1911 as Instrument No. 7284, of official records, Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind.

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**SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION
CASE NO. CV2012-02622
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

COLLECTION BUREAU,
INC., an Idaho corporation,
Plaintiff

-vs-
DOUGLAS J GROSSMAN
AND SARAH A GROSSMAN,
INDIVIDUALLY, AND
AS HUSBAND AND WIFE,
Defendant.

TO: THE ABOVE NAMED
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DATED December 11th, 2012
CHARLOTTE SHERBURN
CLERK OF THE COURT
By: Lena Johnson, Deputy
Clerk
12/26/12;1/2,9,16/13

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IDAPA 08 – STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0027

08-0201-1301, Rule Governing Administration. Deletes language relating to certain aspects of collective bargaining and negotiations found in the Students Come First laws that were repealed on November 6, 2012.

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY RULE
IDAPA 13 – FISH AND GAME COMMISSION.**

13-0102-1201, Rules Governing Hunter Education and Mentored Hunting (Eff. date 12/13/12)

IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE

16-0305-1201, Rules Governing Eligibility for Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled (Eff. date 1/1/13)

**NOTICE OF NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING
IDAPA 27 – IDAHO BOARD OF PHARMACY**

27-0101-1207, Rules of the Idaho Board of Pharmacy (Written comment period closes 1/10/13)

IDAPA 35 – STATE TAX COMMISSION

35-0102-1301, Sales Tax Administrative Rules (Written comment period closes 1/31/13)

Please refer to the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **January 2, 2013, Volume 13-1**, for the notices and text of all rulemakings, public hearings schedules, information on negotiated rulemakings, executive orders of the Governor, and agency contact information.

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Office of the Administrative Rules Coordinator, Dept. of Administration, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0306

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