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### Bruneau bull crushes world record



Attendees at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Colyer Herefords and Angus Production Sale gather around the prized bull after it fetched a record price. Submitted photo

## Top-selling Hereford bull puts Bruneau on the map

\$600K price two times previous high

Colyer Hereford and Angus ranch broke the world record for a top-selling bull at its 33<sup>rd</sup> annual production sale last week.

The \$600,000 Hereford bull, C Mike McKee 2103 ET, shocked the cattle world and even gave the Colyers a bit of a surprise. The animal

is basically a yearling and had won Champion bull at the Fort Worth show, but that did not really foreshadow the event that would unfold in Bruneau on Feb. 25.

"I wasn't thinking about a record," Kyle Colyer said. I knew he'd bring over a \$100,000 because of the previous interest people had, but when the bidding got above \$280,000 I thought it might

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## ISP: Woman believed to be homicide victim

Authorities now think 2012 death outside Marsing wasn't an accident

Nearly a year after she died in an apparent accident at home, a Marsing woman's death is now being viewed as a homicide.

Authorities are asking for information relating to Trina Bibbey and her death, the Idaho State Police said in a press release issued Thursday.

Initially, Bibbey's death on April 4 was ruled accidental. Then-Owyhee County Coroner Harvey Grimme said it appeared the 35-year-old woman likely suffocated and suffered trauma to the chest when the car she was

working under slipped off a jack and fell on her. Bibbey apparently was changing the vehicle's oil at the time.



Trina Bibbey

After collecting evidence, however, detectives from ISP and the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office have reason to believe Bibbey was a homicide victim, the ISP release states.

Investigators working with the county prosecuting attorney and other agencies are now looking for any other leads. Anyone with information is asked to contact ISP at (208) 846-7500.

## Homedale Basque dance sports new location, new events

Fundraiser slated for Saturday at Badiola Arena

This year's Homedale Basque dance has moved to a larger venue and two events, new to the dance, have been added.

Badiola Arena on U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale will play host to the dance, saving the Txoko Ona Basque Club \$5,000, according to Terri Uria, one of the event organizers.

"We had to rent large tents to make additional space at the club at a great cost," Uria said. "It was

very generous of (arena owner and Txoko Ona board member) Ben Badiola to offer the use of his arena."

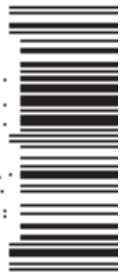
If the new venue works, it may be held there in subsequent years, she said.

The doors open at 5:30 p.m. Saturday at the arena, 406 U.S. Hwy 95. A live and silent auction also will be held.

New to the event this year are two traditional Basque activities.

Weight carrying and a playful bout of tug of war have been added. These events have been held at the Basque picnic each summer, but not at the dance.

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# Rimrock senior heads to Atlanta as Coca-Cola Scholar

Only 252 students from across U.S. invited

A Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School senior has been named among a select list of Coca-Cola Scholars 2013 finalists. Johanna Mori, the daughter of Bruneau residents Dan and Kathy Mori, is one of 252 high schools seniors from across the nation who will travel to Atlanta next month. She already has earned a college scholarship from Swire Coca-Cola USA and the Coca-Cola Co., but an interview with the National Selection Committee during her visit to Atlanta on April 18 will help determine what type of Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation scholarship she receives. Available are 52 \$20,000 four-year college scholarships and 200 \$10,000 scholarships.

The scholarship recipients were chosen from a group of 2,200 semifinalists from across the country. Mori was the only Owyhee County student to make the semifinal round. During a four-day stay in Atlanta, home of Coca-Cola's headquarters, Mori and the other finalists will tour local landmarks, meet former Coca-Cola Scholars and take part in other activities, including a community service project. Coca-Cola representatives, educators, local dignitaries and friends of the Scholars Foundation also will be on hand. Former NBC Nightly News anchor and noted author Tom Brokaw will be the weekend's keynote speaker. Mori also recently was one of two Rimrock students who have poems appearing in this year's edition of "Love What's Real" publication from the Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence.



Recreational vehicles can be seen on the Kings Court property from South Main Street.

## RVs could be OK in Homedale mobile home parks soon

Compassionate council considers ordinance change

People making their homes in recreational vehicles at Homedale mobile home parks technically are violating the law, but city officials cast a benevolent eye on the situation Thursday. Meanwhile, the council tabled the idea of establishing punitive fees for developers who don't obtain building permits. After Planning and Zoning administrator Sylvia Bahem brought the matter of an RV dweller living at the Kings Court complex on Main Street, council members seemed to agree with the park's owner that current economic times created special circumstances. "The problem is that in this kind of economy, these aren't unemployed people. These are nice people," Kings Court owner Ted Badasci said. "It's just tough. It's just tough asking them to leave. And they're cooperative, and they're good

citizens." While pointing out that city ordinance prohibits permanent residency in an RV within mobile home parks, Bahem asked how regulation could be carried out if there is no firm definition of what "permanent" is. The tenant recently built a deck onto the RV without a building permit. "He didn't know (he needed a permit)," Badasci said. "He thought he was making the place look great." Bahem said the city ordinance allows travel trailers in mobile home parks on a limited basis — "generally overnight, but not longer than month." "On the flip side, some of these people, maybe they've lost their homes and have no other place to live," Bahem said. "I guess my question is, 'Do we want to be Nazis?' How do we want to handle that?" Bahem said that city building inspector Steve Pierson told her that either she or Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller is responsible for enforcing the ordinance. She suggested that the city council amend the ordinance to redefine what type of dwellings can be

allowed in mobile home parks. Eidemiller agreed that it's a tough call if the person has no other place to live. "The goal, obviously at least for the Police Department's sake, would be to come to some sort of equitable solution because I agree these people might be on hard times right now, but if we enforce the ordinance, they may be on tougher times if we tell them to pull their trailer out," Eidemiller said. "I guess you have to weigh what it's worth." Eidemiller asked if a special use permit was an option, but Bahem pointed out that the application process is expensive, and the RV residents may not have the finances to pursue that avenue. "Another solution is to allow them to live in an RV so long as they are in an appropriate trailer park," Bahem said. "The ordinance can be amended to allow that." The council agreed and instructed City Attorney Paul J. Fitzer to work on an amended ordinance.

— JPB

## County high school poets get published

Annual book promotes healthy relationships

Once the exclusive domain of Homedale High School, this year's "Love What's Real" anti-domestic violence poetry collection has a couple new voices from elsewhere in Owyhee County.

A poem by Homedale's Jacob Murray appears in the 2013 publication from the Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence and its Center for Healthy Teen Relationships project. Johanna Mori and Jesten Dick, Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School students, have been published, too. "Love What's Real" comprises more than 200 poems from high school and middle school students from across Idaho.

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## License desk in Murphy to close half-day

Computer maintenance will briefly shutter Murphy's driver's license and concealed weapon permit office Thursday. The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office announced that the office, which is located in OCSO's headquarters, will be closed from noon to 4 p.m. on Thursday. Patrons can get help from 8:30 a.m. to noon Thursday, and the branch will open again for regular hours at 8:30 a.m. Friday. The closure won't affect offices in Marsing or Grand View. For more information, call the sheriff's office at (208) 495-1154.



# County, soil district forge quagga inspection agreement

BRWSCD will pay fuel, wages, maintenance

For the first time in the four-year history of the invasive species boat inspection program, a memorandum of understanding with the Bruneau River Soil and Water Conservation District (BRSWCD) will ensure that Owyhee County is more fairly compensated for expenses.

The BRSWCD had only reimbursed the county a total of \$2,100 in the past three years, which did not adequately cover “real” expenses. Now the conservation district, which administers quagga mussel stations in Marsing and Bruneau of the Idaho State Department of Agriculture invasive species program, will pay expenses as they are needed.

According to the MOU, the

district will provide training to the Owyhee County deputy sheriffs to assist the district inspectors and will provide the county with maintenance and fuel for the OCSO patrol vehicles. The deputies, who will be Posse members or special deputies and not part of the full-time sheriff’s patrol force, will receive \$13.60 an hour.

Bruneau’s quagga mussel checkpoint opened on Feb. 15, while the Marsing station began operation on March 1.

Business accounts have been established at locations in Marsing and Bruneau, allowing deputies to charge fuel and maintenance costs on an as-needed basis.

Additionally, BRSWCD will not request a patrolling deputy to provide inspection assistance in the event a district inspector is unavailable.

OCSO vehicles are used to stop motorists who have pulled boats past the check stations without stopping for the mandatory

inspections.

For the fourth year, the BRSWCD will run two invasive species check stations in Owyhee County as part of the ISDA’s effort to keep state waters free of quagga mussels.

The inspection season has been started earlier and has gone longer since last year, according to BRSWCD representative Rayola Jacobsen.

“The Idaho State Department of Agriculture, who oversees the program, has noticed a number of ‘snow birders’ from Canada going to places such as Lake Mead in Nevada and Lake Havasu in Arizona and coming back through Idaho with mussels on their boats,” she said. “The earlier openings will help get ahead of the curve.”

The longer season going into the fall is a result of bird hunters using boats later in the year. Idaho is one of only five northwestern states not affected by mussels.

— AS



From left, Owyhee County Posse member Ron Schermerhorn, boat inspector David Ridenour, and Homedale resident Mark Clelland stand near Clelland’s boat on Friday during the first day of station operation in Marsing.



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# County moves building department into assessor’s office

County officials say that no added expense was incurred when a Planning and Zoning department employee was moved into another area of the Owyhee County complex in Murphy.

Kristal Clausen, who handles building department issues and is supervised by P&Z administrator Mary Huff, had her work station moved into the Assessor’s Office. Clausen continues under Huff’s supervision.

Board of County Commissioners chair Joe Merrick said a phone and computer was moved to an existing work space in the Assessor’s Office and only a couple hours of employee time was expended to transfer Clausen

from the county annex where she shared office space with Huff.

Switching the phone extension to a line in the Assessor’s Office is included as part of the county’s maintenance contract with its phone service provider.

Merrick said the move occurred a couple weeks ago. Saying that the issue was a personnel matter, he declined to provide further details of the reasons for the move.

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**Rimrock Senior Center announces new board**  
*The 2013 officers for the Rimrock Senior Center in Grand View include, from left, directors Verla Robison and Garry Boeger, treasurer Mary Lynn (Charlie) Miller, secretary Vera Lea Jayo, president Harry (Bob) Kern, director Willie Roby and past president Laura Fredrickson. Not pictured: vice-president Harva Driskell. Submitted photo*

# Homedale council shelves permit penalty for another day

## Council asked to consider change to medical building zoning

The Homedale City Council’s campaign against non-permitted construction will extend until its next meeting, at least.

At Thursday’s meeting, City Attorney Paul J. Fitzer said he needed the current ordinance in order to finalize the resolution that could establish a penalty of up to four times the amount of the building fee if a person doesn’t take out a permit before beginning construction.

Fitzer said that he would have the resolution ready to go at the council’s March 13 meeting.

Dave Williams, whose restaurant construction project at the former Homedale Drive-In site on East Idaho Avenue was red-tagged because of a lack of a permit, attended Thursday’s meeting. He was not called upon nor did he ask to address the council.

Last week, Williams said that city staff originally told him he

didn’t need a building permit when he began tearing apart the interior of the old restaurant. Public records indicate, however, that Pierson informed City Hall that a building permit would be necessary after the project apparently went from removing old interior to a substantial remodel, including installing an engineered ceiling beam to replace an interior wall and enclosing the drive-thru lane.

Before Thursday’s council meeting, Williams told The Owyhee Avalanche that he has talked with health, fire and building officials about several different permitting issues and feels he hasn’t been able to get a clear answer on protocol on several fronts.

Another zoning ordinance that could get a revamp from Fitzer deals with current requirements that medical-related businesses must obtain a special use permit to

operate in a commercial zone.

Current city law allows dental, optical and medical offices only in industrial zones without any furthering permitting.

Bahem brought up the zoning quirk because she recently received a phone call from someone who was considering bringing a dental office to the commercial zone near the vacant St. Hubert’s Catholic Church.

Ironically, mortuaries are acceptable uses in commercial zones in Homedale.

Bahem also asked for clarification on the status of a sign permit when a business changes hands.

Fitzer essentially said that no new sign permit is needed if the text on a sign changes. If the sign itself changes in size, however, that’s a different story.

“Generally a permit is held by a permit-holder and if the business has changed hands and it’s a new business, that permittee would have to have a permit to replace that sign,” he said.

— JPB

# Homedale man stabbed in Caldwell

## Information sought on early Saturday incident

Caldwell Police continue to look for information about a weekend stabbing that sent a Homedale man to the hospital.

Officers responded to a report of a stabbing at 1:56 a.m. Saturday at the El Rodeo Night Club in the 200 block of Paynter Ave.

The Homedale man was transported to a Boise hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The suspect, who fled on foot before officers arrived, is described as a Hispanic male between 20 and 30 years old, standing 5-foot-9 and weighing 150 pounds. He was wearing all black.

Anyone with information about the incident should call Canyon County Sheriff’s Dispatch at 454-7531 or Crime Stoppers at 343-COPS.

# Arrest made in Marsing bar fight

Charges have been filed after an altercation at a Marsing bar that left one man with a broken leg.

Andrew K. Howard, 47, was scheduled for a Monday hearing before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober in Murphy. He was arrested Feb. 13, 11 days after an alleged fight at Caba’s Lounge on Main Street.

The Marsing resident posted bond soon after his arrest. He is accused of four misdemeanors — battery, domestic battery with traumatic injury, trespass and disturbing the peace.

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said prosecuting attorney Douglas D. Emery added the trespassing count because bar employees apparently asked Howard to leave before the altercation between he and a 53-year-old man escalated. The man, who was apparently at the bar with Howard’s 40-year-old ex-wife, suffered head lacerations and a broken leg in the melee, Bowman said earlier this year.

A jury trial before Grober has been scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on April 19.

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# Marsing hopes grant boosts students’ performance

## District joins pilot program to use online education

Marsing School District will become part of a statewide online learning pilot program.

The 260-student district has received a \$21,690 grant from the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation to implement the Khan Academy’s (KA) “flipped learning” method that utilizes video and encourages intensive student-teacher interaction.

“In Idaho, we hope to see educators using Khan Academy to individualize their instruction,” academy founder and executive director Sal Khan said. “Instead of a one-size-fits-all lesson, teachers will be able to focus their attention on specific students who are struggling while the rest of the class engages with material appropriate for them.”

The Khan Academy access is free.

“We envision KA as being a tremendous tool for all our students

who are enrolled in rigorous academic courses, especially STEM (Science, Technology, Engineer and Mathematics) courses,” grant writer and Marsing teacher Ken Price said.

Marsing Middle School has been in School Improvement under the state’s Adequate Yearly Progress program, and officials see the Khan Academy as a way to achieve those goals as well as improve students’ scores on college entrance exams.

To facilitate use of the Khan Academy, school officials will use the grant to purchase 75 Samsung Chromebooks to go with 37 bought earlier through other grant-fueled programs. The original group of machines — purchased with some district funds as well as 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Centers and GEAR Up grant monies — arrived in Marsing during the weekend, Price said Monday.

The other 75 machines are expected in the first week of April.

The Chromebook’s Management Console feature will give the district control over what websites students can access, Price said. He

said the Chromebooks won out over Apple iPads because of lower cost and the management control option, which allows district officials to lock in exactly which websites are accessible.

The Chromebooks will be housed in math classrooms in the middle and high schools. The option of letting students check out the machines for the weekend also is being considered, but district policy and insurance guidelines have to be reviewed, Price said.

“I’m in favor of it, personally,” Price said. “I’d like to see us give it a try and see what happens because, especially with the four-day week, there are three days that the kids could have access to (the lessons).”

Nine additional wireless connections will be installed in Marsing’s secondary schools to improve connectivity.

Price said that the Khan Academy can help prepare students for higher achievement in math, stating research shows students who complete eighth-grade Algebra see more success in upper-level classes.

The method allows students to use video instruction as homework to learn new lessons. Class time is used for one-on-one instruction.

“We believe that KA will help our secondary students excel at all math levels as they progress towards graduation,” he said. “This mastery-level learning concept is key to Khan Academy.”

Price said online tutorials and math problems to solve that are available on the KA website help students master concepts and build a foundation for future success. Students can fill gaps in their math understanding by reviewing concepts through the tutorials.

“Students can re-play the videos, pause them, slow them down or even listen to them in Spanish or other languages,” he said.

Teachers now will have more tools to help students at all skill levels, Price said.

“We can use Khan Academy to facilitate students designing their own learning path and gain ownership of their education,” he said.

Perhaps one of the most compelling aspects of the grant is the ability for students to learn

independent of their classroom hours and beyond the initial math focus.

“We also liked how there are other subjects that Khan covers, especially with Science and Computer Science tutorials,” Price said. “We see our 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers students being able to learn how to write code, for example, by doing independent learning on KA.”

Forty-seven schools across the state received varying shares of the \$1.5 million Rebooting Idaho Schools Using Khan Academy grant. In most cases, only one school in a district received money.

Marsing was one of the rare cases where the entire school district will receive assistance.

“The grant council was impressed by how thorough the district’s application was,” spokesperson Sophie Sestero said in an email. “The application addressed the desire to implement Khan Academy throughout the district as soon as possible.”

— JPB

# Hitting parked car while drunk draws big price tag

## Homedale resident one of 3 sentenced for DUI

A man who was arrested for driving under the influence after hitting a parked car in Homedale has been sentenced.

Rogelio Garcia-magallenes, born in 1980, must pay nearly \$6,000 in restitution, court costs and fines. Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober sentenced Garcia-magallenes on misdemeanor charges of DUI and failing to report an accident.

Garcia-magallenes also was charged with a third misdemeanor related to an invalid driver’s license when Homedale

Police Officer Jeff Jensen arrested him on Oct. 17. Prosecutor Paul J. Fitzer dropped that count.

Garcia-magallenes will serve a year’s probation and lost driving privileges for six months. Grober also ordered 24 hours community service while suspending the balance of a six-month jail term. Garcia-magallenes received credit for two days already serve behind bars.

- A Homedale man has the option of house arrest or serving four days in jail after his conviction for misdemeanor driving under the influence.

Homedale resident Peter T. Soshea, who was born in 1962, has the option of house

arrest or serving four days in jail after his misdemeanor DUI conviction.

Grober suspended most of Soshea’s 180-day jail sentence during a Feb. 20 sentencing hearing in Homedale.

Grober gave Soshea credit for the one day he served already and ordered him to report to jail by 6 p.m. on April 1 if he declined the electronic monitoring option.

Soshea had his driver’s license suspended four six months. He must also serve 12 months’ probation and enter a treatment program.

Grober also levied fines and fees totaling \$650.

HPD Cpl. Atanacio Montes arrested

Soshea on Nov. 24.

- Wilder resident Lawayne R. Tibbett had his driver’s license suspended for six months and was ordered to enter a treatment program after Grober sentenced him for misdemeanor DUI on Feb. 20.

Tibbett, who was born in 1989, also must perform 24 hours community service.

Grober suspended 178 days of a six-month jail sentence. Tibbett already had served two days in Owyhee County Jail after Jensen arrested him on Nov. 15.

Tibbett also must pay \$776 in court costs and fines.

A second misdemeanor for having an open container in a vehicle was dropped.

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## ✓ Bull: Colyers retain 25 percent share in bull; value could top \$800,000

get interesting.”

The previous record for a Hereford bull was \$301,000.

Although the Colyer bull sold for \$600,00, his actual “value” is closer to \$800,000 based on the fact that the ranch retained one-quarter interest in the bull and the Miles McKee Syndicate in Dunlap, Iowa and Sullivan Farms purchased a three-quarter interest in the young bull. The Colyers’ share means they will retain in-herd breeding rights and will col-

lect a share of the semen sales. The bull will stay in Bruneau through his show career, Colyer said.

The news is a bonus for the American Hereford industry as well.

“This is really exciting, not just for the Colyers, but also for the industry overall,” American Hereford Association Director of Communications Angie Denton said. “It illustrates the benefits of heterogeneous breeding (putting Hereford bulls on black cows).

Mike McKee was bred to be a great one, and he is. We are very excited for the Colyer family.”

The Colyers, in turn, feel that one of the best aspects of the sale is that it happened in Bruneau and several people in the community have helped in the Colyer outfit and have been supportive of the ranch.

“It’s neat that it happened here,” Colyer said. “Something like this usually happens at flashy places like Fort Worth or Vegas. It’s great

that it happened here in Bruneau and in Owyhee County.”

The Colyer high desert ranch started back during the homesteading of Owyhee County. Prior to 1976, the Colyer ranch ran 700 straight-bred Hereford Commercial cattle on Bureau of Land Management ground. They now run commercial and purebred herds on deeded ground and private, rented ground, according to the ranch’s website.

Today, Kyle and his father Guy

run about 250 registered Hereford cows and 60 replacement heifers. Kyle’s grandparents, Ray and Bonnie Colyer, started an Angus herd in about 1993. They made the move because commercial ranch customers were interested in buying both breeds.

“We see the positives and negatives to both breeds,” Colyer said. “I think it’s made us better breeders because we see how the traits of the two breeds compliment one another.”

— AS

## ✓ Dance: Live and silent auctions also on tap for 13th annual gathering

At this time, event organizers said the tug of war will probably be between the Homedale and Marsing fire departments. Anyone can enter the weight carrying event and sign up will take place at the dance Saturday. Prize money will be awarded, but the amount is not

known at this time.

Chorizos, hot dogs, chili, beer, pop, wine and Kalimotxos will be sold in the area, and proceeds will benefit the Basque club. Kalimotxo is a traditional Basque drink that is a mix of red wine and Coke.

The entrance fee is \$5 and doors open at 5:30. At 6:30 p.m. the Herribatza Dantzariak youth dancers, directed by Homedale resident Gloria Lejardi, will perform followed by the Oinkari Basque Dancers of Boise at 7:45.

Sports events “Soka Tira” or Tug of War and Txingak “weight carrying” are slated for 8. At 9, the highlight of the evening will take place with the live and silent auction. People wanting to donate to the auction can call Tony Uranga at 898-0160.

The Jeff Palmer Band will take the stage at 10 and traditional Basque music will be played between sets. This arrangement means continuous music all night long.

— AS





# 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

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

**Lenten Soup Suppers**  
6 p.m. free meal, 7 p.m. service, Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, 621 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4248

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

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

Thursday

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

**Lizard Butte Library board meeting**  
4 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing

Friday

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

**Mr. AHS Pageant**  
6:30 p.m., Adrian High School gymnasium, 305 Owyhee St., Adrian. (541) 372-2335

Saturday

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

**Txoko Ona Basque Dance**  
5:30 p.m., Badiola Arena, 406 Hwy. 95, Homedale.

**4-H scholarship benefit dance**  
8 p.m. to midnight, \$5, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing. (208) 250-4917

Sunday

**Masons scholarship breakfast**  
8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., \$7, all-you-can-eat, Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13, 19 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale

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

Monday

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

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

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

**Owyhee County Democrats meeting**  
1 p.m., The Spot, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 250-2458

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

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

**Lenten Soup Suppers**  
6 p.m. free meal, 7 p.m. service, Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, 621 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4248

**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

Thursday, March 14

**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, March 15

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

**Free concert**  
7 p.m., free or love offering, Refiner’s Fire, Lizard Butte Baptist Church, 117 S. 8th Ave. W., Marsing.


Saturday, March 16

**Homedale Senior Center breakfast**  
7 a.m. to 10 a.m., open to public, \$6 all-you-can-eat, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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

Owyhee  
Then & Now

Michael F. Hanley



### Sagebrush and Axle Grease

*A journey in time*

Ed Jagles, proprietor of the Idaho Hotel, gave me a photograph of a stagecoach with six horses taken in 1904 at Silver City. The stage, which is the same one I’ve restored and used often, has just crossed the Jordan Creek Bridge and is pulling up the hill toward the Idaho Hotel. Both stagecoach and hotel are the same vintage, and I thought it a good thing to bring both veterans together for the re-print of Sagebrush and Axle Grease.

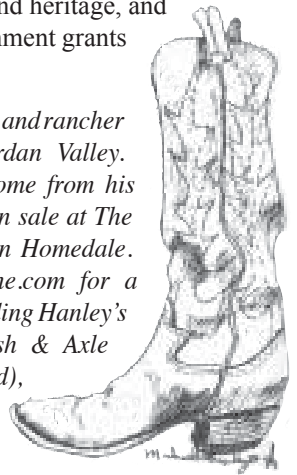
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Early this morning we loaded our outfit on trailers for the trip to DeLamar where we unloaded and hitched up. Cindy Eaton, Owyhee County Clerk, Pam White, rancher and photographer, Tal Trautman, Mike Rose and myself were the participants. The road I swear has gotten rougher. It’s narrow and dangerous but the team trotted and several times broke into a gallop. We pulled into Silver City, across the bridge, and trotted up the hill to the Idaho Hotel where current proprietor Roger Nelson welcomed us.

After photographing us going up and down the hill at the hotel, past the Court House and by the old Wells Fargo Vault, Pam cleared us for our return to DeLamar. When the stage and horses were loaded for the return to Jordan Valley, I looked at the old stage and its lettering telling of a time past in the Owyhees. The letters M.S.D. and D stand for Murphy, the present Owyhee County seat, which was the terminus of the Stage Line at the railhead in 1904. S is for Silver City, then the County seat. The two D’s stand for Dewey and DeLamar, both downstream, on Jordan Creek. Ed Matheson, the Stageline proprietor’s name, is on the right side as is the Wells Fargo logo.

Much has changed and a lot of water has flowed down Jordan Creek in the past 98 years, but today’s trip to Silver City proved that the M.S.D and D Stage and the Idaho Hotel are still capable of representing the Owyhees. Both hotel and stage have been preserved through the actions of local people, which is testament of dedication in preserving our culture and heritage, and it was done without government grants or aid.

— 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](http://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.



## Masons set Sunday scholarship breakfast

The Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13 semi-annual pancake breakfast will be held Sunday in Homedale.

The event takes place from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the lodge, 19 W. Idaho Ave.

The cost is \$7, and the menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, sausage, juice and coffee. As usual, Ava’s Red Syrup will be available for the pancakes.

Proceeds from the all-you-can-eat breakfast benefit the lodge’s scholarship fund. Each year, the Masons award four scholarships to graduating seniors from Homedale, Marsing, Wilder and Parma.

Visitors also will get a peek at the Masonic Lodge and its historical artifacts — some dating to the original Silver City lodge — as building tours will be available upon request.

You can find a comprehensive listing of local events online at [www.theowyheeavalanche.com](http://www.theowyheeavalanche.com). Click on the “Calendar of Events” link on the left-hand side of the page.

Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. Drop off press releases at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to [jon@owyheeavalanche.com](mailto:jon@owyheeavalanche.com) (an e-mail link also is available on our Web site). For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.



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## Public welcome to 4-H scholarship fundraiser dance

The Owyhee County 4-H scholarship fund is the beneficiary of a western dance planned for Marsing on Saturday.

The Wilson Butte 4-H club is the host for the event, which is open to the public and runs from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Phipps-

Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.

Owyhee County band Runnin' for Cover will play a variety of live music. There is a \$5 admission. For more information, call (208) 250-4917.

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# Marsing church offers Ramsey’s financial course

## Free preview night planned next week

Financial Peace University, a course created by financial advice columnist Dave Ramsey, will be offered in Marsing in April.

Marsing Church of the Nazarene pastor Bill O’Connor announced a free preview for the nine-week class will be offered at 6:45 p.m. next Wednesday at the church, 12 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. W.

The class, which will run from April 3 to May 29, is designed for anyone struggling with debt,

behind in payments or having difficulty managing finances.

“If your credit cards are your emergency fund, your dog’s name is ‘eBay’ or you have to consider selling your home to put your kids through college, this class is for you,” O’Connor said.

Next Wednesday’s preview will allow folks to see how the program can help them with their financial situation.

According to the church’s press release, the nine-week, video-based small-group study course teaches families and individuals how to beat debt, build wealth, and experience financial freedom. It has been taught for more than 25

years and has helped millions of people to become debt free.

The course costs \$95 for an individual, couple or family. The price includes class materials such as books and CDs as well as budget planning software.

O’Connor states that the church is offering the course because so many people are hurting financially and don’t know where to turn to solve their money problems.

“This class can help by teaching people seven simple ‘baby steps’ that they can take to turn their money problems around,” he said.

Class participants receive a box full of financial resources,

including one of Ramsey’s books, money management tools, a full set of Ramsey’s video talks on audio CD, and more. Ramsey also writes a syndicated financial advice column that appears weekly in The Owyhee Avalanche.

For more information on the free preview or the class, call O’Connor at 649-5256.

# Homedale woman excited to spin children’s tales

## Audrey Brown set for library visit

Audrey Brown has been telling stories for years, so she’s a natural fit for the Homedale Public Library’s Story Time series.

The 25-year-old Homedale resident will share two of her original stories at 10:15 a.m. Friday during the activity for preschool-aged children at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

“I’m excited,” she said. “I love being around kids.”

The mother of a 3-year-old daughter named Violet, Brown said she’s always been a storyteller.



Audrey Brown

“I’ve written just to tell stories to my 3-year-old, and my roommates in college and everybody would have me tell them bedtime stories,” she said with a laugh.

Friday’s stories will include one each from Brown’s high school days and college days.

The story she wrote in high school will be told in Spanish. It’s the story of a chicken that chases a fox, but then has to be rescued by its family when the pursuit comes to a street.

“Because, you know, chickens

aren’t supposed to cross the road,” Brown said.

Her work from college, “Benny the Bison,” has a quirky angle that may just have all the elements a preschool audience is seeking.

“Benny the Bison is about a bison from Wyoming who finds some magic poop and rolls in it and then falls in love with a unicorn,” Brown said.

Brown will tell the chicken-and-fox story in Spanish, which harkens back to her days working to teach children English in Mexico.

She worked with children ranging in age from 4 to 12 while in Mexico, and had a similar mission teaching children in Russia.

No word on whether any of her stories are in Russian, though.

In addition to Brown’s tales, Story Time will feature crafts, songs and snacks.

For more information, call the library at 337-4228 in the afternoons Monday through Saturday.

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

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## Reminiscing



*This South Mountain tailing trestle is among the many sights this week's contributing writer, Stan Soran, has seen in decades of visiting the Owyhees. Photo by Stan Soran*

### Reminisce with us

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## The Road Trip

by Stan Soran

On a weekend in October 1969 at our mine on Soldier Creek, my sister and her boyfriend punched a hole in the differential cover of Uncle Bill's 4x4 GMC.

My pal Dave and I tried welding it with the behemoth machine sued to fix mining equipment, but we only took it beyond "easily repairable." We'd have to take it to Jordan Valley to get it fixed.

Our ride would be a Honda 90 with a trail sprocket that limited it to about 20 mph. The mine was about 24 miles southeast of Jordan Valley with the last part of the road no more than a pair of wagon ruts.

Dad wired the cover and a flashlight to the bike and we dressed in the warmest gear available, which unfortunately included only one pair of jersey gloves. No problems, as we were 16 and quite bulletproof.

We got under way in the evening and what seemed like a light breeze on the winding mountain trail turned into a nasty headwind out on Pleasant Valley Road — enough so that we had to trade drivers every couple of miles while the driver tried to hang on with his hands in his pockets.

Eventually, the cold got to us and we tried to build a fire in the



road by tipping the bike over and spilling some gas. It was too dark to see if any fuel came out, and the wind was blowing too hard to get a match to light anyway. Having failed miserably, we headed down the road with cold hands and ears.

We left the cover at the repair shop by Corta's and went to get some coffee at the local restaurant. Jordan Valley on a Saturday night in the late '60s was a fairly busy place, so two teens on a motorbike didn't attract too much attention from the natives. We told the waitress our harrowing tale, but she was laughingly unimpressed.

After stoking up with coffee,

we picked up the cover, filled the scooter with gas and headed into the wind back to the mine.

We were able to run the bike wide open and only had to change drivers a couple of times. Getting from the main road to the mine requires going through several gates, and we had just gotten through the second one when the throttle broke on the Honda. The bike had a dead battery, so when it was not running, there was no light. Whoever coined the phrase "darker than the inside of a cow" must have spent a night in the Owyhees because we couldn't see a thing.

We pushed the bike to the Corta Ranch where I tried to unwire the flashlight. Without being able to see, I fumbled, twisted and turned it until I broke it loose — "broke" being the keyword as now it didn't work, so we twisted the cover loose and started the three-mile walk to the cabin.

It was very slow going as the only way to tell if we were on the road was when we walked into a sagebrush off the road. Dad was waiting up for us when we dragged into the cookhouse after midnight. He poured us each a large whiskey that we nearly made it through before shuffling off to the bunkhouse and collapsing into bed.

— Since the 1950s, the Soran Family has had a mine on Soldier Creek. Four generations and their friends have hiked, hunted, played, panned, partied, mined, built, burned and rebuilt at the "Cabin." We've had flash floods, wildfires, lighting strikes, snow storms and downpours. We learned how to make repairs with wire and tape, jimmy rig machinery and vehicles, handle emergencies, discover history and most of all, how to really relax. The "Cabin" has always been a very special place for us.



*Lizard Butte Library Friends of the Library Treasurer Regi Nachbar, left, examines "Thousand Springs," one of Nampa artist Dorothy Bates' entries in Saturday's juried art show at the Marsing library as Dorothy's husband, Oscar admires other works set for judging.*

## Lizard Butte Library Friends unveil artist

As artists hoping for a spot on the wall in Lizard Butte Library's monthly gallery gathered Saturday, they were able to see the newest exhibit at the Marsing library.

Works from Marilyn Lees are featured this month in the Friends of the Lizard Butte Library-sponsored showing.

The Idaho artist has spent her life creating art in several different mediums, but she has always been sort of partial to drawing either in graphite or colored pencils.

Using her own photos for reference, she likes to do realistic drawings and paintings of florals, landscapes, machinery, and buildings across Idaho and the Northwest.

Marilyn comes by her love of rural and rustic subjects naturally. Born and raised on a farm in western Kansas, near Dodge City, she moved to Idaho in 1957. She worked for 27 years for the Farmers Home Administration, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. During most of her career, she

worked in Owyhee County. She retired in 1994.

Marilyn and her husband Dave have been married for more than 50 years. They have two children, two grandchildren, and two great-grandsons.

Marilyn is part of the Nampa Art Guild and is a member of the "Pencil Pals" group. She takes commissions and can be reached at 466-5826 or through email at [dmlees@clearwire.net](mailto:dmlees@clearwire.net).

Lee's art is on display during business hours at the library, 111 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. W. The library is open from noon to 6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

On Saturday, the Friends of the Lizard Butte Library held its annual juried art show. About 15 artists brought in examples of their works for the chance to get the nod as an artist of the month. The new series begins in May.

April's artist of the month gallery will feature works from the Marsing High School art program.

## Idaho authors to sign books at Lizard Butte on Saturday

Idaho Authors' Community members will be on hand Saturday for a collective book-signing event in Marsing.

The authors will be on hand at the Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. W., from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Visitors also will be able to chat with the authors and view works in genres such as fiction, non-fiction, business, historical novel, military memoirs, children's books, self-enrichment and humor.

A membership-based organization, the IAC was founded in 2012 so Idaho authors and authors-to-be could work

together to help connect readers and authors.

The Marsing visit is part of the organization's market strategy to help authors find readers for their finished works by coming to readers within their own community.

Authors or those with works in progress can get more information on the Idaho Authors' Community by emailing Wynette Mellen or Jane Freund at [idahoauthorscommunity@gmail.com](mailto:idahoauthorscommunity@gmail.com) and visiting the group's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/idahoauthorscommunity](http://www.facebook.com/idahoauthorscommunity).



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# Economic development group continues long reorganization

## Homedale mayor worries town's voice may be lost with changes

The new executive director of an organization formed to help grow the economy of Owyhee County and its towns stressed partnership during a Homedale City Council visit.

But Mayor Paul Fink and Councilman Tim Downing were more concerned with representative and fiscal matters pertaining to the Western Alliance for Economic Development.

Downing questioned Tina Wilson about WAED's financial picture, and the new director said she wouldn't know the full story until she received all records and was able to begin a complete analysis.

"If you look at the bank account, there's money there, and we're sound," Wilson said. "But I'm just now finding out how the budget compares to the actual expenses."

Wilson has recently discovered that Canyon County has yet to pay its fiscal year 2013 dues, and she added that she will provide a financial report at the March business meeting.

Wilson said she has spent time over the past two months trying to centralize the information, which had been scattered between the secretary-treasurer, the bookkeeper at Bowen and Parker CPAs and former director Lori Church. Wilson expected to have all the information together the day after meeting with the council.

She said full disclosure and transparency hasn't been a problem during the transition from the days when WAED was part of Sage Community Resources, which morphed into the Idaho Council of Governments.

"It's not that they didn't do that

before," she said. "It's just that as they were as they separated from (ICOG) it was a growing process, and part of what we're doing is we're just taking that next step into being a stand-alone entity."

Wilson is the third person to lead WAED, which was established in 2007 to help smaller-population cities in Canyon County and the municipalities and rural areas of Owyhee County improve their economic outlook.

Most of the WAED's Owyhee County members have struggled with the idea of spending \$1 per capita to fund the organization because officials haven't seen the return of investment. Grand View has left WAED, while Marsing has decided to stay on after city officials had mulled ending the relationship. Owyhee County and Homedale have been continuous members from the beginning.

Wilson said WAED is working toward 501(c)4 tax status, which would establish a non-profit economic development association and make the membership dues paid by participating businesses tax-deductible expenses.

The alliance is in the process of reorganizing its meeting schedule, too. Instead of monthly meetings, the plan is to switch to quarterly membership meetings, Wilson said.

The next quarterly meeting is April 23, but Wilson didn't know the location yet.

Day-to-day WAED business will be handled by a three-person executive board at monthly public meetings, Wilson said.

Droplet Irrigation owner Jonathan Demcak, Homedale's WAED business liaison, is alliance chair. Other executive board mem-

bers include vice-chair Lee Belt, Greenleaf's city clerk, and secretary-treasurer Noni Stapleton, who is city clerk in Melba.

Fink worried that the move toward fewer general meetings and a reliance on an executive board for decision-making harkens to a pattern seen as Sage Community Resources became ICOG.

"They kind of started phasing out the members and brought it in to a small group, and it really didn't work very well because too many of the members were kind of left out," Fink said. "They said (Homedale) could join, but that we wouldn't have a vote, and that doesn't work too well."

Wilson reassured Fink that anyone is welcome at executive board meetings. The membership board consists of a governmental and business representative from each of the member cities or counties.

At the start of her Thursday presentation, reminded council members how WAED can help Homedale — and how the city, in turn, could help her mission to find new businesses and jobs for the area.

"I feel that we are a partnership," she said.

"I serve a large area of 900 square miles and eight different communities. You are my ears and feet on the ground all the time here."

Wilson said she has joined the Homedale Chamber of Commerce, but has not been able to attend a monthly luncheon because the Tuesday meeting conflicts with the WAED board meeting.

She has found time to network, however.

"I've connected with two business owners in town, seeing what their concerns and what their hopes are for the community," she said. — JPB

# Free groundwater screening planned at SWDH on Saturday

Southwest District Health is offering free private water well testing Saturday as part of National Ground Water Awareness Week.

Free nitrate screening will take place from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the district's Caldwell headquarters, 13307 Miami Lane, near the corner of Florida Avenue and Idaho highway 55. Homeowners should bring a same-day water sample in a wide-mouth canning jar or food-grade container.

"Just as you check your smoke detector batteries every year, spring is a good time to test your private well water to protect your family from potentially dangerous contaminants," SWDH environmental health services director David Loper said.

"Water from private wells is not monitored, tested, or regulated by any public entity, so ultimately the responsibility rests with the private well owner.

According to a SWDH press release, nearly 95 percent of Idaho's population depends on ground water as a drinking source, primarily through private wells.

There are groundwater problems found across Owyhee County, according to the district.

In the Givens Hot Springs and Bruneau areas, high fluoride levels are present.

Arsenic also persists throughout the county, but especially high levels have been found south of Homedale.

Finally, nitrate problems have cropped up in many wells dug to depths of less than 100 feet

throughout the county.

Contaminants often are transmitted into groundwater through pesticides. Data about pesticides used in Owyhee County can be found online at [www.idahoag.us](http://www.idahoag.us).

SWDH says that annual well water testing by a state-certified lab ensures that all potential contaminants present on a homeowner's property are kept out of the drinking source. The district also suggests testing the water whenever there is a change in taste, odor or appearance or whenever the system is serviced.

Checking the well includes:

- A flow test to determine system output, along with a check of the water level before and during pumping (if possible), pump motor performance (check amp load, grounding, and line voltage), pressure tank and pressure switch contact, and general water quality (odor, cloudiness, etc.).

- A well equipment inspection to assure it's sanitary and meets local code.

- A water test to check for coliform bacteria and nitrates, and anything else of local concern.

- Checking lead and copper levels in water if the house has old plumbing with lead soldering.

- Problems with staining, water appearance, and odor may hasten tests for iron, manganese, water hardness and sulfides.

For more information on water contaminants or how to get a certified test for well water, contact SWDH at (208) 455-5400 or visit [www.swdh.org](http://www.swdh.org).

*"They said (Homedale) could join, but that we wouldn't have a vote, and that doesn't work too well."*

— Homedale Mayor Paul Fink on experience with ICOG reorganization

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# Murphy water tank may see work sometime this year

## No timeline for repair project yet

The storage tank servicing Murphy water users could see some maintenance later this year.

“I have made contact with a couple contractors to see if they would send me a spec list so that we could advertise correctly,”

Owyhee County Assessor Brett Endicott, who serves as the *de facto* public works director in the county seat, said.

Endicott said previous estimates on repairing the tank’s deteriorating interior lining have been around \$30,000, which would require the county to bid the job.

Previous video studies of the tank’s interior have indicated that the coating on the inner liner is bubbling. Endicott said there is no health risk because of the bubbling.

“From the video I saw, I don’t think there is any real pressure to get it done immediately,” Board of County Commissioners chair Joe Merrick said, “but it’s something that needs to be done before too long.”

Merrick called the job “routine maintenance.”

Neither Endicott nor Merrick was certain when the water tank work would be carried out.

“I’m not sure if it will have to be done before irrigation time or after irrigation time,” Merrick said. “We have to look at the budget and see where things are at.”

Endicott said the project would entail draining the 30,000-gallon tank so the contractor can perform the repairs. To keep water service online, the contractor would bring a substitute tank or bypass the tank with a direct flow pipe from the well, he said.

“You hope you won’t be out of water too long while you’re doing that,” Endicott said. “It could take a week to 10 days.”

Whether a residential or business customer, Murphy water users pay a \$15 flat monthly fee for water. There are no meters in town. The fees go into a county

water fund that is used to finance the monthly testing.

A contractor, Dennis Rogers, carries out the testing and monitoring. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2013, the county has paid Rogers about \$1,000 out of the Building and Grounds fund.

Typically, county commissioners budget \$5,000 annual for upkeep on the system. This year, they increased the budget line to \$25,000.

Owyhee County also pays the electricity bill to power the well pump and handles system maintenance.

Earlier this winter, county crews had to fix a water line leak when a capped pipe from a demolished house on a piece of county property across from the Owyhee County Historical Museum froze and burst.

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# Woman gets jail time for petty theft

A Homedale woman originally charged with felony burglary has been ordered to serve eight days in jail for two misdemeanors.

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery originally charged Shana Marie Sanders with burglary and misdemeanor petty theft. The burglary charge was reduced to a misdemeanor illegal entry charge on Jan. 25, while the petty theft charge remained.

Sanders, 47, entered a guilty plea to the amended charges on Feb. 22 in Murphy, and Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan

sentenced Sanders to eight days in jail and 18 months’ supervised probation. She received credit for two days she spent in Owyhee County Jail.

She was scheduled to report to jail on the day of her sentencing, and she can avoid supervised probation if she pays all her fines and court costs, a \$1,100 total that includes \$100 to reimburse the county for a public defender.

Sanders also must take an anti-theft class.

According to court records, Sanders stole \$142.77 worth of watermelon, fish fillets, steaks, wine and beer from Paul’s Market on Aug. 24. Sgt. Mike McFetridge made the arrest.

As part of her sentence, Sanders has been barred from entering Paul’s Market.

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# Homedale High vocalist chosen for State Solo contest

Senior just latest in program to earn accolades

The accolades keep coming for Homedale school musicians. Music director Jessica Hanna announced last week that vocalist Nicole Keller has earned a spot in the State Solo competition, which will be held May 3-4 in Post Falls. Competing in the alto category, Keller, who is a senior at Homedale High School, advanced out of the District III Solo qualifier that was held Feb. 2 at Northwest University. She received one of only three State Solo slots available. Sophomore Isabelle Fogg will perform on flute in the District III Solo competition today at Boise

State University. She is competing for one of three berths to the State Solo competition. Fogg and Keller were among six HHS band students who participated in the BSU All-Star High School Honor Band on Feb. 9. Other Homedale students among the 150 musicians from around the Treasure Valley were junior Lauren Craft, sophomore Sarah Dixon, and seniors Mackenzie McMichael and Shelbie VanWassenhove-Criffield. The six students tried out for the band, which played under the direction of Samuel Hazo, after Hanna recommended them for auditions. “The students were so influenced by him that we have included his rules on the board in our classroom,” Hanna said. “He is an amazing musician, conductor,

composer, and teacher.” The HHS Band also took part in the BSU Band Clinic on Feb. 7 and performed for Hazo and Joan deAlbuquerque, who is the director of bands at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. The Homedale musicians performed Hazo’s composition “Novo Lenio.” Hazo and deAlbuquerque then gave comments and suggestions for 30 minutes. The students also attended workshops taught by university professors that dealt with their specific instruments. They also sat in on performances by the Borah and Vallivue bands and the BSU Symphonic Winds. Hanna also commented on freshman Megan Aman’s recent trip to Portland to perform in the All-Northwest Wind Symphony. The All-Northwest festival takes

place every two years. “Through an amazing amount of hard work and dedication, Megan Aman was selected to participate in the Wind Symphony,” Hanna said. “The performance was spectacular. It is amazing the level of maturity and musicianship the students achieved.” **Middle school** Hanna is organizing the second annual Southwest Middle School Honor Band, which is a project she helped create a year ago. Six Homedale Middle School students will participate in the program, leading up to a 3 p.m. performance on Saturday, March 16 at Caldwell High School. The students are eighth-graders Sarah Jones, Patrick McMichael; seventh-graders Kennedee Burright, Diana Cook, Mia (Sickinger) Riddle; and sixth-

grader Randi Schild. “They were selected through a recommendation process based on their hard work and fantastic attitudes and an audition,” Hanna said. The inaugural Southwest Middle School Honor Choir will include several Homedale students. The honor choir is open to seventh- through ninth-graders. The choir also will perform on March 16. Treble choir will include eighth-graders Alexis Connor and Jessica Tayler; and seventh-graders Chacota Griswold, Isabel Hernandez, Riley Morgan and Amaya Zamora. Mixed choir will include: freshmen Jason Buenrostro, Jeff Carrillo, Marrissa Cole and Elizabeth Hernandez; and eighth-graders Savannah Peterson and Ambyr VanWinkle.

# Singing, learning, caring and buying in Owyhee



**Annual consignment auction draws hundreds**  
Auctioneer Tyson Baker from Baker Auction Co., left, stands tall as he finds a bidder during the sale of some pasture panels during Saturday’s auction at the Homedale sugar beet dump.



**Homedale students celebrate Dr. Seuss**  
Third-grader Brian Hurtado, 9, smiles as he and his sister Stephanie play with a camera distortion feature on a tablet during Thursday’s Hats Off to Reading event at Homedale Elementary School.



**Down-home musician comes back home to play**  
Backed by her Ozark Mountain Music band, Homedale native Betty Adams, center, plays guitar and sings during a March 5 lunchtime concert at the Homedale Senior Center.



**Marsing spaghetti feed proceeds at \$5,600 and counting**  
Friends of Cheryl Johnson chat after enjoying a benefit spaghetti feed to help the Marsing woman fight cancer. The event raised approximately \$5,600 on Friday night at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center and more is still coming in, according to event organizers.



Rimrock junior nabs all-conference pick

# Avalanche Sports

Antelope, Mustang win players of year

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2013

## 2013 baseball previews



### Head coach takes hands-on approach

Homedale High School baseball coach Burke Deal provides instruction on the finer points of playing the middle of the diamond to infielders during Thursday's practice.

## Trojans' program continues to flourish under Deal

### Coach sees growth forge healthy competition

The trajectory continues upward for the Homedale High School baseball team. As Burke Deal begins his sixth season at the helm, the Trojans return from the most successful season in at least a decade. Homedale was 12-9 in 2012 for its first winning season a Class 3A squad. The Trojans finished second in the 3A Snake River Valley conference. "It was another huge step forward and should build confidence and set a standard that we continue

to reach for," Deal said. "Our goal is always to win the state championship." In what has become something of a Trojans tradition, Homedale will have another strong player behind the plate as Mike Mavey is back for his senior season as starting catcher and team captain. Still, the team is young with the loss of 2012 graduates Zac Lowder, Trey Corta, Cody Lynde and Timmy Scott. Lowder, Corta and Lynde were first-team All-SRV players, while Scott made the second team. "It's very hard to replace four-year starters who

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## Strong pitching core returns for Huskies

### Two-time state qualifier begins season Friday

No wonder Jerry Stacy has high hopes. His Marsing High School baseball roster is chock full of players who have made a habit of playing in the final tournament of the season. A slew of players return to the 2013 version of the Huskies after ending the two previous seasons in the 2A state tournament. Marsing has gone two-and-out in both tournaments. "We have seven kids returning that have been to the state tournament two years in a row now," Stacy said. "I'm expecting that experience to take us to a strong postseason finish this year." The Huskies lost four players off last year's team that began the state tournament with a 3-2 loss against eventual state champion Malad and bowed out of the tournament with a 10-3 loss to fellow 2A Western Idaho Conference member Nampa Christian. Bernie Galvez, Reece Middleton, Dakota Hill and Grayson Kendall were

leading seniors on last year's squad. "We'll need some kids to step up this year in leadership roles to replace these players," Stacy said.

Three first-team All-WIC players from a year ago lead the nucleus of seven returners. Junior Austin Williams posted an 8-1 record and 1.70 earned-run average as a starting pitcher in 2012. He also hit .466. Senior Justin Glenn was a force on the mound, too, going 6-2 with a 2.55 ERA. He hit .485, which is second among returning players to junior Charlie Galvez's .494 clip from last spring.



Austin Williams



Charlie Galvez

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## Galligan, Meyers ready for next level

### Coaches confirm prep standouts heading to college gridiron

Two Owyhee County high school football players who made huge impacts on defense for their respective teams will try their hand in the Big Sky Conference. Former Marsing High School defensive end Jason Galligan has decided to try his luck as a walk-on at Weber State in Ogden, Utah. "I'm happy for him. I think it's awesome that he's going to get a go," Huskies coach Jaime Wood said. Former Rimrock linebacker Austin Meyers will take his shot at the college game when he walks on at Idaho State in Pocatello. "I see Austin doing very well at the next level if he is put in the right spot and gets the correct coaching," Raiders coach Juan Colunga said. Galligan and Meyers ended their high school football careers in the postseason. Galligan was a defensive end and wide receiver on the Huskies' team that lost the 2A state semifinal in Pocatello, while Meyers played linebacker and fullback as the Raiders bowed out in the first round of the 1A, Div. I state playoffs. Wood said Galligan received interest from several schools, including a possible walk-on chance at Boise State University. Other schools expressing interest included Montana-Western and Western Oregon University. If Galligan's walk-on proves successful, he'll have to sit out the 2013 season a redshirt, Wood said. Colunga says Meyers' size and athleticism (he's 6 feet and 190 pounds and runs an unofficial 40-yard dash of 4.8 seconds) makes him a candidate to play safety at the next level. The coach

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### Owyhees fare well in Ontario martial arts meet

Owyhee County Judo Club competitors show off their hardware after the Ore-Ida Tournament. Front row, from left: Jaxson Kent, Lizzie Egusquiza, Olivia Miller, Isana Larzelier and Olivia Asumendi. Back row, from left: Devin Kent, Keagen Christensen, Laurel Schroeder, Emily Kent, Belisia Larzelier and Joseph Egusquiza. For more on the tournament, see Page 15.

Photo submitted by Michelle Larzelier



Sports

Owyhee judo club  
cleans up at Ore-Ida

Youngsters win  
three titles, claim  
other medals

Three young Owyhee County Judo Club students collected championships last month in the 62<sup>nd</sup> annual Ore-Ida Judo Tournament in Ontario, Ore.

Devin Kent, Jaxson Kent and Olivia Miller brought home titles in their respective divisions during the tournament staged at the John Easley Gymnasium on the Treasure Valley Community College campus.

In all, 11 Owyhee judokas earned hardware in nine divisions.

Devin Kent, 9, won the 9-10 boys' lightweight title. Jaxson Kent, 7, brought home the top prize in the 8-and-under boys' middleweight class. They are two of three children of Adam Kent and Sarah Asumendi who competed in Ontario.

The third child, 11-year-old

Emily Kent, was third in the girls' 11-12 middleweight division.

Olivia Miller, the 7-year-old daughter of Walter and Kiley Miller, came out on top in the 8-and-under girls' featherweight competition.

Runners-up included Olivia Asumendi, 6, in the 8-and-under girls' lightweight division, 14-year-old Laurel Schroeder (13-14 intermediate girls' heavy-weight) and 10-year-old Keagen Christensen (9-10 boys' middle-weight. Olivia's parents are Jared and Diana Asumendi, Laurel's parents are Toby and Janine Schroeder, and Keagen's mom and dad are Bobby and Edene Christensen.

Other bronze medalists included Isana Larzelier, 7, in the 8-and-under girls' middleweight class and 9-year-old Joseph Egusquiza in the 9-10 boys' lightweight division.

Matt and Michelle Larzelier are Isana's parents, while Joseph's mom and dad are Joe and Sarah Egusquiza.

✓ Next: Both Big Sky-bound

From Page 14  
says Meyers continues to weight-training and conditioning drills to improve himself.

The senior earned the 1A, Div. I conference Defensive Player of the Year Award in November.

"Austin is what you hear

coaches call a 'tough-nosed, physical player,' which is sort of the tradition and attitude I have been trying to build here at Rimrock for the past three years," Colunga said.

— JPB

HHS boys get three All-SRV spots

Two seniors,  
junior represent  
basketball team

Three of the most influential leaders for the Homedale High School boys' basketball team have earned postseason accolades.

Two Trojans seniors — Ricky McBride and Hayden Krzesnik — were voted onto the All-3A Snake River Valley conference second team.

Junior Trey Lane, a left-handed sharpshooter, received an honorable mention nod for the conference's coaches.

In his only year with Trojans, McBride led the team with a 12-point scoring average, connecting on 20 three-point goals (third-most on the team) and leading the squad with 7.6 rebounds a night.

The 6-foot-2 McBride notched seven double-doubles during the season.

"Being 6-2 and having good ball-handling skills and quickness led to many mismatches throughout the season," first-year Trojans coach Casey Grove said. "He was usually our spark on both the offensive and defensive sides of the floor."

Krzesnik averaged 8.1 points per game to close his high school career.

The guard, whom Grove called the team's most valuable player during the conference season, filled up the stat sheet during the nine games against SRV opponents.

The scrappy player connected



Ricky McBride



Hayden Krzesnik

on 17 of his 27 three-point goals and averaged 10.2 points, 3 assists, 2.5 rebounds and 2 steals per game against conference foes.

"It took him a while to get his shot in non-league play, but his shot finally came around during league, which is when we needed it to," Grove said.

"He was our on-the-floor leader. His defense really came around this year. Hayden was a major part of our success this season."

Lane was the team's second-leading scorer, averaging 9.5 points a night, but he made the biggest impression for his shooting accuracy — from the foul line (team-high 83 percent), from inside the three-point line (53 percent) and from various distances beyond it (34-for-91, 37 percent).

"Trey is a kid who can shoot from almost anywhere on the

floor," Grove said.

In one game against Payette, the junior was perfect on six chances from three-point land, and Grove said each of those shots were anywhere from three to six feet behind the 17-foot, 7-inch arc.

"Trey is the hardest-working kid in our program," Grove said. "He is always the first one to practice and the last one to leave."

Pushing the idea of a gym rat to the extreme, Lane led the Trojans with 34 three-point goals. He also hit 19 of 23 free throws during the season.

While Lane's impact on offense was unmistakable, Grove said he made just as much waves without the ball.

"He was also our defensive specialist," the coach said. "When we needed someone to stop an opposing team's best player, Trey was the guy to do it."

— JPB



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Coach: Burke Deal, sixth season  
Varsity  
Thursday, March 7, home vs. New Plymouth, 5 p.m.  
Friday, March 8 at Marsing, 4:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 12, home vs. Melba, 5 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Thursday, March 7 at New Plymouth, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 12 at Melba, 5 p.m.



Track and field  
Coach: Thomas Thomas, eighth season  
Thursday, March 14, home for Homedale Invitational, Deward Bell Stadium track, 4 p.m.



Softball  
Coach: Larry Corta, ninth season  
Varsity  
Thursday, March 7, home vs. New Plymouth, Sundance Park, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 12, home vs. Melba, Sundance Park, 5 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Thursday, March 7 at New Plymouth, 5 p.m.  
Friday, March 8, home vs. Marsing, Sundance Park, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 12 at Melba, 5 p.m.



Tennis  
Coach: Scott Michaelson, third season  
Thursday, March 14, home vs. Vallivue, 4 p.m.



Golf  
Coach: Casey Grove, second season  
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# Sports



## Homedale youth bowling wraps with city tournament

This year's batch of Homedale youth bowlers included:  
Back row, from left: Josh Waller, Caleb Oviedo, Aiden Fogg, Fletcher Kelly and Isabelle Fogg  
Middle row, from left: Hannah Radford, Jo McGee, Brittney Hergesheimer and Matthew Harkins  
Front row, from left: Alice Benedict-Melton, Lizzy Hergesheimer, Angel Ryals, Megan Galvan, Alexia Crookham and Sami Fogg

Submitted photo

## Youth bowlers shine at city tourney

Youth bowlers were awarded more than \$800 in scholarships during Saturday's annual Jim Watkins Memorial Tournament city championships.  
Here are the top results from the tournament, which took place at Owyhee Lanes:  
**Doubles** — 1. Fletcher Kelly and Megan Galvan; 2. Angel Ryals and Caleb Oviedo; 3. Aidan

Fogg and blind draw partner  
**Singles** — 1. Kelly; 2. Galvan; 3. Jo McGee  
**High game, Senior girls** — McGee, 154  
**High game, Senior boys** — Kelly, 232  
**High game, Junior Division** — Matthew Harkins, 131  
**High series, Senior girls** — McGee, 1,068

**High series, Senior boys** — Kelly, 1,200  
**High series, Junior Division** — Galvan, 1,116  
**Notes** — Series scores consist of total over six games. ... In the doubles tournament, the score of an anonymous blind draw partner was paired with Fogg's score because of an odd number of entrants.

## Jewett tops Raiders' four All-WIC picks

### Bailey Bachman will play in senior all-star game

Four Rimrock High School girls' basketball players earned all-conference nods after the season.  
Guard Kyla Jewett led the way with a first-team All-1A Western Idaho Conference selection.  
The junior averaged 15.1 points per game and also racked up an average of 3 assists and 4.8 steals as the Raiders won the 1A, Div. I District III championship and qualified for the state tournament

for the first time since 2009.  
Forward Bailey Bachman parlayed a 9.8 scoring average and 2 assists and 2.5 steals each night into a second-team nomination. She is the only Rimrock player who will appear in the 1A District III Senior All-Star Game, which will be played at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday at Payette High School.  
Two all-conference honorable mention slots were reserved for Rimrock junior guards Sami Jo Bachman and Desi Meyers.  
Bachman averaged 5 points, 4.5 rebounds and 2 assists per game, while Meyers scored 5.7 points per game and added 2.5 assists and 3.5 steals per outing.

## MHS girls' basketball hands out awards

Marsing High School girls' basketball coach Tim Little has announced the program's player awards for the 2012-13 season:  
• **Offensive player of the year** — Senior guard Ashley Hull averaged 17 points per game while leading the team to its second 2A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament appearance in three years.  
• **Defensive player of the year** — Sophomore post player Destiny Reynolds averaged 2.5 steals and 5 rebounds per game.  
• **Post defender of the year** — Junior post Marissa Har-

dy grabbed 5.5 rebounds per game.  
• **Sportsmanship Award** — Elena Miranda  
• **Flop Doctor** — Lacey Usabel and Carrie Dines shared the award for drawing the most charges during the varsity season.  
• **Windex Award** — Freshman Shelby Dines won this honor for grabbing the most rebounds on the varsity squad, 147, and blocking 32 shots.  
• **Junior varsity co-players of the year** — Ofelia Herrera and Audra Kendall

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**Baseball**  
Coach: Jerry Stacy, third year  
Friday, March 8, home vs. Homedale, 4:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 12 home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.



**Softball**  
Coach: Sean Hardy, third year  
Friday, March 8, home vs. Homedale, 4:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 12 home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.



**Track and field**  
Coach: Jim Eisentrager, fourth year  
Thursday, March 14 at Homedale Invitational, Deward Bell Stadium track, 4 p.m.



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Sports

HDL East Players of the Year reign at JV, Adrian

All-league basketball rosters released

Athletes from Jordan Valley and Adrian high schools were named Players of the Year for their respective divisions at the end of the basketball season.

Mustangs junior Ben Telleria earned the boys' player of the year award for the 1A High Desert League East Division.

Adrian's Madi Purnell, a senior, was the 1A HDL East's girls' player of the year.

Telleria led the Mustangs to the division championship and the district title. Both he and Purnell helped their teams reach the 1A Oregon state playoffs.

Telleria joined teammate Nate Elsner, a senior, as a second-team selection for the All-District 8 Tournament team. Another senior teammate, Ty Warn, closed his prep career with a first-team all-tournament nod.

Adrian senior Paxton Shira also was a second-team all-tourney selection.

Purnell was a second-team all-district

pick along with sophomore teammate Quincy Pendergrass. The Antelopes finished third in the tournament.

Jordan Valley sophomore Andi Warn earned a first-team all-district spot as the Lady Mustangs won the tournament's consolation championship.

**All-1A HDL East, boys' first team** — Ty Warn, Jordan Valley, and Paxton Shira, Adrian

**All-1A HDL East, girls' first team** — Andi Warn, so., Jordan Valley, and Nichole Orosco, sr., Adrian

**All-1A HDL East boys' second team** — Tommy Shenk, sr., Adrian; Blaine Moran and Nate Elsner, srs., Jordan Valley

**All-1A HDL East girls' second team** — Quincy Pendergrass, sr., Adrian; and Hayley Caywood, sr., Jordan Valley

**All-1A HDL East boys' honorable mention** — Kurtis Nielson and Juan Munoz, srs., Adrian; and Tom Nelson, sr., Jordan Valley

**All-1A HDL East girls' honorable mention** — Tane't Campbell, jr., Adrian; and Sharayah Sausser, so., Jordan Valley

✓Trojans: Big numbers out this year for young Homedale baseball club

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have been such great players for us," Deal said.

A group of players who saw action all summer long, playing 70 games total in 2012, will anchor the Trojans' roster.

"We have a great attitude and great leadership with Mike Mavey," Deal said. "We have great young men who are working hard. We will be young."

Other returning seniors include third baseman Drew Beckman and outfielders Michael Magdaleno and Ricardo Martinez. Magdaleno was a second-team all-conference player as a junior.

"Michael is looking real sharp and strong," Deal said. "He's a solid player both in the field and at

the plate."

The coach is similarly optimistic about Beckman's outlook this year.

"Heworked very hard in the offseason and is hitting really well," Deal said. "He's primed for a great season."

Junior left-hander Trey Lane may be a candidate to slip into the pitching ace role left vacant by fellow lefty Lowder.

"Trey has steadily improved over the past couple of years, and we are really looking to him for



Mike Mavey

leadership on the hill," Deal said. "He has the potential to have a big season at the plate and on the hill."

Another junior, right-hander, Caleb Oviedo will split time between the mound and the outfield.

"We're looking for big things from him on the hill," Deal said.

Senior infielder Xavier Hernandez returns to the team after a two-year hiatus.

"He should steadily improve over the course of the year,"



Trey Lane

Deal said. "We're looking for big things from him."

After Hernandez, the Trojans' youth movement begins to seep through. Deal lists five freshmen and sophomores among the other players who could make impacts this season.

Junior Oswaldo Gonzalez will start the season as the team's designated hitter.

Three or four other underclassmen will be in the starting lineup, too, Deal said.

Among the other young players Deal has his eye on are freshmen Connor Carter, Nash Johnson and Matt Thatcher. The three players pitch and play numerous positions, and they're all products of the Homedale youth baseball system.

The youth system has helped a 26-man high school program.

Two sophomores, infielder/outfielder Colton Osborn and infielder/pitcher Blake Patten, will flex between the varsity and JV squads. Patten is a transfer from Vallivue.

"Our numbers are up for the sixth straight year, and for the first time we have some real competition for playing time at virtually every positions on both teams, which is really exciting," Deal said.

Tom DeFur returns for his fifth season as pitching coach and varsity assistant. Former HHS player John Bittick is in his first year with the program and will serve as junior varsity coach. — JPB

✓Huskies: Challenging non-conference season starts Friday vs. Trojans

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Senior Josh Larsen and juniors Lane Sevy and Daytona Mack also return to the fold this season.

"We should be a good hitting team this year, and our infield is very solid," Stacy said. "We have three returning pitchers that threw in the state tourney last season, so that should help as far as mound experience and confidence goes."

Stacy expects Glenn, Galvez, Williams, Larsen, Sevy and senior

transfer Logan Jarvis to vie for all-conference honors.

"It's a very competitive conference, but I think we have two or three guys that have a legitimate shot at grabbing the conference player of the year award if they have the type of season that I'm expecting them to have," Stacy said.

Jarvis is one of two seniors in their first year with the squad.

Basketball and football stand-out Jason Galligan has come out

for the team.

"Galligan hasn't played for a few years, but I expect him to transition back into the game smoothly," Stacy said.

Jarvis transferred to Marsing from Homedale during the summer. Jarvis' father, Travis, joins Jaime Wood as first-year assistants under Stacy. Wood coached occasionally last season, though.

Other starters this season include junior Arnaldo Gonzales and sophomores Josh Hiatt, Casey

Yiengst and Hunter Gibson.

"I'm expecting them to step up and give our team depth," Stacy said.

Stacy admits that his outfielders will need some extra time in practice to gain experience, but overall he exudes optimism about an overall strong starting nine.

"I've always been from the philosophy that you're only as good as your 7-8-9 guys in your lineup," he said. "I think we're going to have pretty good kids in

those spots."

The Huskies start the season Friday with a non-conference game against Homedale. The Trojans are the first of a hefty dose of Class 3A schools on Marsing's schedule again this season.

"We have a tough schedule again this year, and we're hoping that the quality competition pays off during postseason play," Stacy said. — JPB





# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



## On the edge of common sense Safe calving habits

Over the years, I have heard story after story of accidents related to calving season. I have researched the subject with a couple of guys at the sale barn, a purebred breeder and a retired cow vet. I came up with this list of Safe Calving Habits:

1. Far and away, the most common tale I hear has to do with looping the OB chain around your wrist then looping the other end around the calf’s foot. This is called Loop-A-Dope. The scenario is: the mama cow rises or escapes before the baby is delivered and drags you, the midwife, across two sections of cactus, mud, cattails, bone yards, net wire fence and/or mine fields.

A tip to the wise: Let the loose end of the chain hang loose. Regardless of what you think, the uterus will not swallow it.

2. Another frequent calving catastrophe involves protective mothers who interfere with your post-natal efforts to tag, vaccinate, treat, or otherwise molest the newborn. Alas, this practice has been labeled Trick-a-Dope. Factors in play seem to be the innocent belief that humans are faster, quicker, stronger or smarter than the cow. It is a symptom of the cowboy mentality. A cowboy honestly believes he is faster, quicker, stronger or smarter than the cow, and is a slow learner.

ADVICE: Let your wife do it.

3. This calving disaster is the result of extremist cattlemen who attempt to grab the newborn calf and drag him into the pickup cab before the protective mama cow can intervene. It is known as Whack-a-Dope. It is amazing how fast, quick, strong and smart new mamas really are! In her wake she leaves abrasions, contusions, fractures, broken hydraulic lines, concussions, amputations, explosions, ejections, side-door indentations, warranty violations, totaled vehicles and unconscious operators.

Solution: Reserve the emergency room ahead of time and have 911 already dialed before you lean out the door.

4. Add ropes, spurs, ice and Four-on-the-Floor gearshifts to the story and the possibilities of bodily harm are endless. Obviously, Rope-a-Dope.

5. CONCLUSION: In spite of the risks we take, our efforts to help the newborn and handle their new mothers with care remain heroic. We are on the front lines where Beef Begins. So gird your loins, you knights of the calving barn, stand tall, keep your wrist out of the loop, take a deep breath and dive right in ... what could possibly go wrong?

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## Owyhee and the Feds OI members urge BLM to consider grazing ruling’s effect on collaboration

The Owyhee Initiative partners recently wrote a letter to Bureau of Land Management state director Steve Ellis regarding the agency’s proposed decision for Group 1 grazing permit renewals in the Owyhee Field Office.

Following is the unabridged letter that Ellis received this week. — Ed.

The Owyhee Initiative would like to take this opportunity to share with you concerns regarding the recent proposed decision for Group 1 grazing permit renewals in Owyhee County, Idaho.

The Owyhee Initiative incorporated in 2010 to continue its collaborative efforts, which started in 2001, to promote the ecological and economic health of Owyhee County. To that end, the specific goal of the Owyhee Initiative has been “to develop and implement a landscape-scale program in Owyhee County, Idaho, that preserves the natural processes that create and maintain a functioning, unfragmented landscape supporting a flourishing community of human, plant and animal life, that provides for economic stability by preserving livestock grazing as an economically viable use, and that provides for protection of cultural resources.”

Several elements of the goal may be affected by the Group 1 proposed decisions. A functional landscape depends on implementation of effective grazing management, the unfragmented landscape depends on continued use of private rangelands by the ranching community, the flourishing community of human, plant and animal life depends on complementary uses of intermingled nonfederal lands, and economic stability depends on grazing management strategies that are economically feasible and effective in sustaining resources into the future. All elements of the goal depend to a significant extent on the use and application of the best available science to assessment, monitoring,

### Letter signees

Owyhee Initiative members who signed this letter to BLM state director Steve Ellis:

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Idaho Outfitters & Guides Assoc., Grant Simonds  
Idaho Conservation League, John Robison  
Sierra Club (rep unavailable at time of letter)

and management strategies. To that end the OI has established their Science Review Program in which the BLM participates through an MOU. The OI is currently pursuing development of a number of publications addressing important science issues that we believe will assist all land managers in applying science to achieve effective grazing management. Every effort should be made to assure that sufficient collaboration has occurred to assure that the best available science leads to the best possible decisions for the users as well as resources.

It is with this shared vision for Owyhee County that we offer for your consideration these specific suggestions regarding implementation of the proposed grazing

— See *Grazing*, Page 19

Kelly Aberasturi, District 2 commissioner

## A commissioner’s view The takings of our freedoms and lands



In a recent edition of the Idaho Statesman, it was said that I was a rancher and quoted me on several issues. It appears that many readers may not have a clear understanding of the issues. I am a small business owner. I do not run any cows on federal lands. I am an Owyhee County commissioner, not an Ada County or any other County Commissioner.

I would expect those of you who criticized me on my stand to consider it from my perspective. Would you not expect me to work to protect your industry, whether it be a high-tech industrial, medical or any other if it were being attacked by the federal government, if they were working to take 35 to 47 percent of it away?

Ranchers do not run their animals, cows and sheep, free of charge. They pay a fee for every animal unit month (AUM). Those fees in turn go to pay the costs of the federal government to “manage” the wild lands. Ranchers also create or enhance springs for water in areas where there was not water before. This helps the wildlife in these areas immensely. They put up fencing to keep their animals and others out of sensitive areas such as creek beds and sage-grouse nesting areas. Ranchers also have made trails and roads back into the remote areas of the wild lands for the purpose of managing their herd. Those same trails are the trails and roads the general public uses for recreation.

I did say in the Owyhee County Commissioner meeting with BLM that they are incompetent. I will go further to say that the Department of the Interior is incompetent. I

say this because in May 2008 the BLM was issued an order by Judge Winmill to get National Environmental Policy Act requirements and other issues addressed before issuing renewed grazing permits. The BLM was to complete this review by December 2013. From one excuse to another, the BLM did not get started on this process until summer 2012. This delay left them a minimal window of time to do complete NEPA assessments on hundreds of thousands of wild land acres, affecting 68 existing grazing permits. Now, BLM has issued the first four permit renewals with huge cuts, stating that they have to make these cuts for the purpose of appeasing the environmental extremists. By doing this now, they have put the rancher in the position of litigating the BLM decision.

The BLM has stated this is necessary to protect the sage-grouse and the native grasses, claiming that overgrazing is causing the problems. First of all, the sage-grouse was devastated by West Nile Virus, not by ranchers. Secondly, overgrazing is not to the benefit of the rancher, so very seldom will you see an allotment that is overgrazed. Because of the BLM’s decision on these first four permits, there will be a bigger fuel load, leading to bigger and hotter rangeland fires, eliminating even more sage-grouse habitat.

Now I would like to address our freedoms. Thirty-five to 40 years ago, the Forest Service and various environmental

— See *Takings*, Page 19



# Commentary

## Financial management Government’s home loan refi vehicle actually works

Dear Dave,  
What do you think about the HARP program, and what exactly is it?  
— Ivy



Dear Ivy,  
The Home Affordable Refinance Program is designed for people who have made their payments on time but are underwater on their mortgages. Being “underwater” means they owe more on their homes than the homes are worth. So basically it gives them the opportunity to refinance their home loans.  
The HARP program is the only part of the Making Home Affordable program that actually worked. And to be honest, it has worked well. In contrast, the

recent Home Loan Modification program is a piece of junk and all about political posturing. About 93 percent of the people who applied for a home loan modification didn’t get one. It was just another case of the government pretending to do something.  
I’d advise looking into the HARP program if you’ve got a good credit history and you’re underwater on your current home. Lots of HARP program applications are being approved, and the

deals are closing. That’s what really matters when you find yourself in a situation like this.  
— Dave

Dear Dave,  
I’m 27 and married, and we have two kids. I make \$90,000 a year, but we have \$80,000 in consumer debt — \$48,000 of which is in car loans. The rest is credit card debt. My wife’s parents have offered to let us move in with them so we can get out of debt faster. Do you think this is a good idea?  
— Kevin

Dear Kevin,  
If I were in your situation, I would not move in with the in-laws. You’ve got an absurd

amount of money wrapped up in those cars. I’d sell the stupid things, start living on a budget and paying down debt, and keep my dignity.  
In my mind, there are only two scenarios where you’d even consider taking the in-laws up on their offer. One is where they’re absolutely wonderful people and you have a great, non-toxic relationship with them, where everyone involved knows their boundaries. Even then, I’d only consider this if it were for a very short, agreed-upon amount of time.  
The second scenario would be if moving in with the in-laws were the only way to accomplish your goal. And you don’t pass that test. You guys can get out of debt pretty quickly if you’ll just lose

these ridiculous cars! Think about it. If you had two little paid-for beaters, your lives would be so much different. You could even save a little money on the side while you were paying down debt and buy a better car as soon as the debt was gone.  
If you can’t tell, I’m pretty big on maintaining dignity. You might love your cars so much that you’re unwilling to make the sacrifice. Not me. The money going into your automobiles is insane, and that’s your biggest problem!  
— Dave  
— Dave Ramsey has authored four New York Times best-selling books. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

### ✓ Grazing: Interested parties must be heard

From Page 18  
decisions for the Group 1 permit renewals. These same considerations will likely apply to the upcoming release of proposed grazing decisions for Owyhee Field Office administered permits.  
The Owyhee Initiative has been recognized across Idaho and indeed in many parts of the West as one of the most successful models of collaboration. It is important to all the members of the Owyhee Initiative that the collaborative process that has served our groups so well to this point continue on its proven, productive path. We are concerned that implementation of the proposed grazing decisions may preclude opportunities to develop more collaborative solutions for meeting Idaho’s standards and guidelines for rangeland health while keeping rural economies healthy and resilient.  
We fully understand the BLM’s obligations to comply with the court’s decree, implementation schedule and the agency’s standards for rangeland health. We encourage you to seek opportunities consistent with these obligations to engage interested parties, including permit holders, in an evaluation of management options to meet applicable objectives and standards. Because of the potential significant impact the proposed grazing decisions and those in process will have on the economy and communities of Owyhee County, we ask that the BLM affirm the information used and consider credible options to implement these decisions. We have often found that making the effort to explore ways to minimize the impacts of decisions like these can produce more durable, successful results — an outcome we all hope to achieve.  
Steve, we hope you accept these comments in the spirit in which they are offered, which is to share insights gained through more than a decade of working collaboratively through thorny issues in Owyhee County.

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### ✓ Takings: Federal agency bows to environmental pressure, ignores past

From Page 18  
groups said the logging industry was devastating the forests. The spotted owl was going to become extinct. Similarities? The facts 35-40 years later: our forests are overgrown with brush and disease and are dying, even though we fight the fires now. When logging was allowed, there was a “let it burn” practice. Now that we are actively fighting fires, we are burning more acres than ever. When we logged, we averaged 1.5 to 3.0 million acres annually. Now we burn 6 to 8 million acres annually, at a tremendous cost to taxpayers. In excess of \$200 million was spent to fight fires last year alone. That figure does not include the lost property or resources.

The fires are much hotter than years ago, and do much more damage. Now, when the snow melts or it rains hard, we have much more damage to our streams and lakes. This, in turn, makes the BLM believe they need to close or restrict access to all people, ranchers and the general public. In their great wisdom, and because they are bowing down to the environmental groups, they plan to apply the same management skills to our grazing as they did to our forests. Because of this, we can no longer access certain areas because the bureaucracy believes they know better.  
Remember, if you are paying taxes, this land is yours, not the BLM’s. I hope that you can see what is happening.

The taking of the timber, and now the attempts to take grazing rights, is just further destruction of our country. We are moving from a using our natural resources country to a country that is buying resources from other nations. We can’t afford to do this for very long. Our country is in a difficult era. We have an accelerating national debt. We are no longer using, or we are limiting the use of our natural resources.  
I hope that you will reflect on this. Look at the actual science and the truth that is out there and base your thoughts and beliefs on actual information. Don’t make your decisions based on what some group is telling you. Do your homework.



# Looking back...

*from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle*

## 25 years ago

March 9, 1988

**Zone move stymied**

The Homedale City Council was ready to approve it at its Wednesday night meeting.

The city planning and zoning commission had already approved it, and the Homedale Chamber of Commerce voted Tuesday 13 to 4 to support it.

Where the South Board of Control’s request for a special use permit for its proposed light industrial use of the commercially zoned old Co-op Oil Company property on Idaho Avenue was concerned, it looked like everything was ‘go.’

But, according to Homedale Mayor Paul Fink, the green light on the SBC request turned red Monday when City Attorney Gary Morgan informed him that the hearing on the matter had not met publication requirements.

Fink said the city, although it had published hearing notices in The Owyhee Avalanche, had not notified owners of property adjacent to the Co-op site by mail that a hearing on the requested special use permit was in the offing.

“We were supposed to notify them by mail 10 days prior to the hearing,” Fink said Tuesday afternoon.

“I thought Adrian (Kroger, chairman of the planning and zoning commission) had done it, but I guess he didn’t,” he added.

Fink said Morgan informed him that a new hearing on the SBC’s special use permit request will have to be scheduled, and it will have to be readvertised with adjacent property owners getting the proper notification by mail.

**Theme chosen for 20<sup>th</sup> “Outpost Day”**

“Back to the Homestead” is the theme selected for the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Outpost Day to be held at the Owyhee County Museum in Murphy June 5.

Among the “lost arts” and demonstrations tentatively scheduled for that day are sheep shearing, spinning, weaving, displays of antique, horse-drawn farm machinery, and a plowing demonstration.

**Local student chosen to attend leadership meeting**

A Homedale High School senior will be traveling to Washington, D.C. later this month.

Mike Griffith, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Griffith, Homedale, has been chosen as one of 300 students nationwide to attend a Congressional Youth Leadership Council in the nation’s capitol. Mike was chosen through a committee of senators and representatives.

The youths will spend a day learning and visiting each branch of the federal government, and will take part in a mock congress, debating and drafting a bill relating to drugs, Griffith said Monday.

The committee chose Griffith, based on “leadership potential.” he will leave for Washington March 22 and return March 27.

**OEA students qualify for national convention**

Two Homedale High School OEA students qualified at the organization’s recent state convention to go to the group’s national confab in Louisville, Ky.

The two national-bound students, according to OEA sponsor Sara Cornell, are Kelly Itano and Shawn Shelton.

Itano, also a member of the regional champion HHS Academic Decathlon Team, won his way to Louisville by taking second place honors in data specialist (computer) competition, and by winning a third-place award in employment skills (job interviewing).

Shelton placed third in computer specialist competition at the state OEA convention in Moscow last week.

**Locals graduate from U of I**

Three area students were listed among those graduating from the University of Idaho at the close of fall 1987.

Kimberly Hays Cooper of Homedale received a degree from the U of I’s College of Education, and Dixie L. Miller of Grand View was listed as a graduate of the university’s College of Letters and Science.

## 50 years ago

March 7, 1963

**Gem Pumping Plant marks end of 50 years**

(Editor’s Note: Following is a short history of the Gem Irrigation district pumping plant, written by Manager Tom Cotton.)

This May will mark the end of the 50<sup>th</sup> year of operation of the Gem Pumping Plant.

The new work viewed Tuesday replaces equipment that was installed in 1912 and 1913. It is a marvelous record for the plant, equipment, designers, operating personnel and many men both living and dead who have worked to keep this district operating and solvent.

The Gem District was organized May 4, 1909. There were three members on the first board of directors, J. W. McDowell was president, C. S. Farout, Secretary, and George Hummickhouse the third director. W. L. Holton was treasurer. The first purchase made by the board was a Remington Standard typewriter. The cost was \$105.00; \$10 down and \$10 a month.

In 1925, the Succor Creek Irrigation District was added to the Gem organization. Shortly after this, the board membership was increased to five men.

The plant and canal works was built under the direction of Smith, Kerry and Chace engineering firm of Toronto, Canada. The original plans called for a power plant to be built at Crane Falls on the Snake River upstream from Murphy. This was to supply the power to operate the pumps at the present plant site. The venture was called The Crane Falls Power and Irrigation company. Capital for the project was also supplied by the engineering firm. After pouring a small amount of concrete at the Crane Falls site, the power plant idea was abandoned. They then went ahead with the pumping plant and canal work. A contract covering construction of canal structures was signed by H. W. Morrison and M. H. Knudsen on July 13, 1912 and approved by the board of directors on January 13, 1913.

**Joe Eiguren says Franco guilty of atrocities**

Joe Eiguren, manager of the Homedale farm labor camp and former mayor, discussed the government of Gen. Francisco Franco of Spain at the regular Wednesday noon meeting of the Homedale Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Eiguren, who was introduced by Merrill Baigrie, program chairman, described the political events in Spain from the time King Alfonso called a plebiscite in Feb., 1931, his abdication in April, 1931, the forming of a republic with a constitution patterned after the US constitution, the failure of the government with leftists winning election in 1936, the civil war, and the eventual Franco victory over Loyalists.

Mr. Eiguren pointed out that US aid has kept Franco in power since 1958, even though atrocities committed by his government are in many cases as bad or worse than committed in the Axis countries or in communist countries.

**Annual Marsing auction nets \$4,533 Saturday**

The third annual Marsing Community Auction, held Saturday, netted \$4,533, according to Charles Falen, chairman.

The auction was held at the Marsing elementary school grounds, with a rummage sale held at the same time in the school annex next to the grounds.

Of the net proceeds, \$233 will be donated to the Snake River Valley United Fund, Falen said. The remainder will go into the Marsing Community Disaster Fund, where it will be used to aid needy families in the area.

Ten-year-old Mike Percifield of Marsing won a transistor radio for selling the greatest number of tickets to a steer drawing at the auction, Falen reported. He said the steer was donated by the Cattlemen’s Livestock Association.

Second prize in the ticket sales contest was won by Mike Floyd, 13, of Marsing. He won an airplane ride donated by Mel Ezell.

## 140 years ago

March 8, 1873

THE HYDROLEAN FURNACE. A new furnace has been perfected and is in operation in San Francisco which will undoubtedly revolutionize mining in Utah and other Territories, inasmuch as it will make valuable the immense deposits of low-grade argentiferous ore, which cannot be smelted. It is called Stevens’ Hydrolean, or oxyhydrogen, Furnace, and for economy and effectiveness has no equal. The fuel employed is coal oil, petroleum bituminous coal, or any material containing carbon. Coal oil, which is exceedingly cheap, is used in San Francisco with astonishing results. The oil is forced into the furnace by a jet of superheated steam which atomizes it, and produces a rapid combustion generating intense heat. A furnace which will desulpharize and smelt thirty tons or more of ore a day will not cost more than five thousand dollars. Fuel can be readily transported to the furnaces which may therefore be placed at the mines and worked with great facility. The furnace is equally well designed for smelting iron, copper and other ores. We understand that a large furnace is being erected in Denver, Colorado, on this plan; and the result of the trial on a large scale with the base ores of that region will soon be known.

A well-known gentleman has the patent right for Utah, and a furnace will soon be erected here to enable smelters to see the process and observe its wonderful results. Ex-Mayor Shelby has purchased the right for San Francisco, and is a firm believer in its success.

We hope to be able to announce the adoption of the system by several large mining companies at no distant day, when it will be shown that the low-grade ores of Stockton and Brigham can be smelted at a satisfactory profit.

A MUCH-MARRIED WOMAN. There is a woman in Washington who has buried five husbands. Recently she married a sixth. Upon the day of the wedding a man called at the house of the groom, asked for that gentleman, and then proceeded to measure his body with a tape line. The infatuated groom entertained an idea that this might, perhaps, be a man sent around by his tailor. After the ceremony in church, however, the husband was surprised to observe this same person standing in the vestibule and winking furiously at the bride as the party came out to the carriage. Just as they were starting off, the mysterious being put his head into the carriage window, and whispered to the bride — “Got a ready made one that’ll just suit him! Beautiful fit — beautiful!” When the happy man demanded the name of the intruder, the bride blushed, and said she believed he was some kind of an undertaker. Then the man was not so happy. He was hardly happy at all, and a certain gloom seemed to overcast the honeymoon. Perhaps the undertaker was too prompt. But still we like to see a man take an interest in his business.

THE SPELLING SCHOOL. There is a public spelling school every Friday night in the district schoolhouse, and already there is considerable rivalry among the young folks about “spelling down.” Arrangements have been made to have a prize spelling match to come off in about four weeks, at which time the present term of Mr. Fouts, the teacher, will close. There will be three valuable prizes, consisting most likely of certain sums of money. The best speller will receive the first prize, the second best, the second prize, the third best, the third prize. These prizes are worth contending for, and we advise our young friends to prepare themselves for the occasion. School Superintendent Stacey also informs us that, on the last day of the term, there will be distributed twenty-five prizes, of books and other articles, among the pupils who can show the best record of attendance, credit marks, &c. This will greatly encourage the juveniles in the prosecution of their studies.

**LOCAL HINTS AND HAPPENINGS**

William Kindrick (“Pike”), the night watchman, has been appointed Special Deputy Sheriff for Silver City Precinct, and is therefore empowered to arrest evil-doers, and perform such other acts as are consonant with the duties of such an officer.



# Public notices

**SYNOPSIS OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES FEBRUARY 19, 2013**

Payment of bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$46,696 Road & Bridge \$16,208, District Court \$6,051, Fair Grounds \$150, Probation \$1,161, Health District \$4,322, Museum \$1,551, Indigent & charity \$7,433, Revaluation \$1,262, Solid Waste \$13,474, Tort \$50,705, Weed \$454, 911 \$2,832, Vessel \$15.

Pay authorizations approved for newly hired employees. Approved Recreational Boating Safety Grant. Acceptance of Steel Building from R&M Steel for the Sheriff's Department. Public Hearing on ICDBG Grant for Bruneau Legion Hall. Approved purchase of two Dodge Ram Pickups for Sheriff's Department. Approved purchase of DataTel phone system licenses for \$15,710. Indigent & Charity 13-06 and 13-07 liens approved. 12-24 withdrawal of application approved. The complete minutes can be viewed online at [owyheecounty.net](http://owyheecounty.net), or in the Clerk's office.

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**BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**

On March 27, 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 Joyce Livestock Co. seeking to establish an approximately twenty acre commercial gravel pit on a 440 acre parcel of land, parcel number RP03S01W300002A. The property is located off State Highway 78 and is accessed via a private road approximately five miles south of Murphy. The property is in an Agricultural zone, with the proposed site located in the south half of the north half of Section 30, Township 3 South, Range 1 West, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 11:00 am, the Commission will review a short plat filed by the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery District seeking to add an additional 216 burial lots to the north side of the existing platted area. The subject property is located in an Agricultural zone approximately 3½ miles west of Marsing at the junction of Cemetery Rd. and State Highway 55. The proposed area to plat is part of parcel number RP03N05W359000A located in the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 35, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Beginning at 1:00 pm, the Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Murphy Flat Power, LLC represented by Benjamin Fairbanks seeking to construct a 198 foot meteorological tower on a 640 acre parcel of land owned by Murphy Flat Farm, LLC, parcel number RP02S01W270010A. The subject property is located in an agricultural zone approximately five miles east of the Townsite of Murphy in Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 1 West, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. The tower is proposed to be constructed in the SE ¼ of the SE ¼ of the SE ¼.

Beginning at 1:30 pm, the Commission will hear a request

for a conditional use permit filed by Murphy Flat Power, LLC represented by Benjamin Fairbanks seeking to construct a 198 foot meteorological tower on a 635 acre parcel of land owned by Joyce Livestock Co, parcel number RP03S01W160001A. The subject property is located in an agricultural zone approximately five miles southeast of the Townsite of Murphy in Section 16, Township 3 South, Range 1 West, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. The tower is proposed to be constructed in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼.

Beginning at 2:00 pm, the Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Josh Reisinger seeking to establish a single family residence on a one acre parcel of land divided from a larger 35 acre parcel. The proposed site is adjacent to 24380 Millet Lane, approximately one mile northwest of Grand View Id, Owyhee County. This property, parcel number RP05S03E093766A, is in an Agricultural zone, located in the NW ¼ of Section 9, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, 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.

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**NOTICE OF INCLUSION/ EXCLUSION OF LAND INTO IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

The undersigned, Secretary of the District hereby gives notice that the following petitioner, pursuant to Idaho Code 43-1001 filed with the Gem Irrigation District, a request that the land more particularly hereinafter described be included and excluded into the Gem Irrigation District:

Petitioner: Tom Wilke

Inclusion: 36 acres in the SWNE, Sec. 4, T2N R5W and 27 acres in the NWSE, Sec. 4, T2N R5W

Exclusion: 36 acres in the NWNW, Sec. 9, T2N R5W, 32 acres in the SWNW, Sec. 9 T2N R5W & 10 acres in the NWSW, Sec. 9 T2N R5W, all in Owyhee County, Idaho.

This notice is given to any and all persons who are interested in or who may be affected by the change of the boundaries of the Gem Irrigation District by the proposed annexation of the real property described above in and to the District.

Notice is hereby given to all interested or those who may be affected by such annexation to appear at the office of the Gem Irrigation District located at 118 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St. Homedale, ID at 7:15 PM on April 2, 2013 and at such time show cause in writing, if any they have, why the lands set forth above should not be included/ excluded in and unto the Gem Irrigation District, Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2013.

Connie Chadez, Secretary-Treasurer  
Gem Irrigation District

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**LIEN SALE**

Unit F-7, Brenda Houser, PO Box 51, Homedale, ID 83628. Tools and misc. household goods.

Unit A-2, Jose and Caroline Garcia, 511 S. Main, Homedale, ID 83628. Air conditioner and

misc. household goods.

Unit H-6, Rachel Owens, 20261 Ila Ln, Caldwell, ID 83607. Misc. household items.

Unit H-11, Juan Presiado, 3110 E 13 St, The Dalles, OR 97058. Misc. household items.

Unit I-14, Maxwell Ormsby, 32400 Nichole Ln, Parma, ID 83660. Misc. household items.

Items will be sold at live auction on 03-23-2013 at 1:00 pm. Located at Hwy 95 Self Storage, 3685 Hwy 95, Homedale, ID 83628.

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**LEIN SALE**

1957 English Ford Anglia Vin# 100E360599; 1947 Willy's Vin# C12A173167; 1974 28' Ken Craft Vin# 42K262X0320. Sale to be held Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at 114 S Bruneau Hwy, Marsing, ID 83639

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**NOTICE**

Pursuant to Idaho Code 25-2301, the State Brand Inspector is holding on Holstein heiferette, found on Wright Lane near Summercamp Rd in Owyhee County. She will be sold at Treasure Valley Livestock Auction on Friday March 8, 2013. May be claimed with proof of ownership and paying all expenses. 208-459-4231

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**SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION**

**CASE NO. CV2012-02441 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-

A M A N D A N I C K O L E VESTAL, Defendant.

**TO: THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S):**

You have been sued by the above named Plaintiff. The nature of the claim against you is monies due and owing. Anytime after 20 days following the last publication of this summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the case number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiff's Attorneys, Mark L. Clark, PLLC, PO Box 846, Nampa, Idaho, 83653; (208) 463-2311. A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for Plaintiff. If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

DATED Feb. 12, 2013

Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk of the Court

By: Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**CASE NO. CV2013-02834 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**

In the Matter of the Estate of FRANCES H. MRAK, Deceased Person.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent 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 estate at the law office of DAVID E. KERRICK, 1001 Blaine Street, (PO Box 44), Caldwell, Idaho.

DATED this 13 day of February, 2013.

/s/Frances Myers, Personal Representative

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**NOTICE**

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

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

On Tuesday, the 18th day of June, 2013, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. of said day in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Ryan M. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 14, EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE EAST 12 ½ FEET AND ALL OF LOTS 15 AND 16 OF BLOCK 58 OF THE AMENDED TOWNSITE PLAT OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED AUGUST 9, 1911 AS NO. 7284 ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 31 West Oregon Ave., Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by MARK A. BOOTHBY and AMY BOOTHBY, Husband and Wife, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION, recorded September 20, 2007, as Instrument No. 262493, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS

OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated September 10, 2007, in the amount of \$947.00 each, for the months of September, 2012, through January, 2013, inclusive; and for each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reimbursement. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 6.44% per annum from August 1, 2012. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$124,699.03, plus accrued interest at the rate of 6.44% per annum from August 1, 2012.

DATED This 15th day of February, 2013.

RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: February 13, 2013 File No.: 7037.94653 Sale date and time (local time): June 14, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 230 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: 265510 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of February 13, 2013: \$66,105.61 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 10 in Block 39 of Amended Townsite of Homedale, according to the official plat thereof, filed August 9, 1911 as Instrument No. 7284, official records of 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](http://www.northwesttrustee.com) or [USA-Foreclosure.com](http://USA-Foreclosure.com). The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7037.94653) 1002.242117-File No.

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# Public notices

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**  
**Trustee’s Sale No. ID-PRV-13002593**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that, Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on **June 27, 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:

ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT ‘A’ AND INCORPORATED HEREIN AS THOUGH FULLY SET FORTH.

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 420 FRONTAGE ROAD , GRANDVIEW, ID 83624, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DENNIS F. CHAFE AND DARLENE F. CHAFE, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF ADA COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of UNITED CAPITAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC.,

as Beneficiary, dated 12/15/2010, recorded 12/23/2010, under Instrument No. 273160, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by UNITED CAPITAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC..

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

The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 12/15/2010, FAILURE TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL BALANCE WHICH BECAME DUE AT MATURITY, TOGETHER WITH ACCRUED AND ACCRUING INTEREST, CHARGES, FEES AND COSTS AS SET FORTH.

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 \$21,000.00, together with interest thereon at 7.000% per annum from 2/23/2012, 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: 2/19/2013.

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  
**EXHIBIT “A”**

A tract of land having 192 1/2 foot frontage on the Grand View to Bruneau Highway in the North Half of the Northwest Quarter, Section 22, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Section corner common to Section 15, 16, 21 and 22, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence South 0° 17’ East 14.10 feet along the Section line to a point; thence

South 79° 27’ East 235.10 feet along the South Highway right of way line to a point on the curve; thence along a curve to the right having the following description, a central angle 5° 55’ tangent of 296.1 feet, a radius of 5,729.58 feet, a 1° curve, and whose South right of way long chord bears

South 76° 29’ 30” East 586.24 feet to a point on the tangent; thence

South 73° 32’ East 580.64 feet along the Southerly right of way line of the Murphy-Bruneau Highway to the Northeast corner of Lot 6 of the Sheldon Burghardt Survey, an iron pin, the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

South 73° 32’ East along the South right of way line of the Bruneau-Grand View Highway 192.5 feet to an iron pin; thence

South 05° 39’ 40” West 120.00 feet to an iron pin; thence

North 73° 32’ West a distance of 192.5 feet to an iron pin; thence

North 05° 39’ 40” East, a distance of 120.0 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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AUCTION

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**PREVIEW AND AUCTION: 20 W. IDAHO AVE.**

**ONLINE AUCTION**  
**THE BUCK STOPS HERE & HOMEDALE MINI MALL**  
**TOTAL LIQUIDATION AUCTION**

**Due to the HUGE AMOUNT OF INVENTORY, We will be auctioning off lots of items every week for the next several months**

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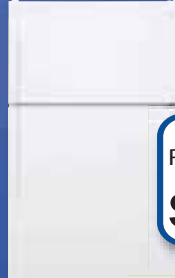
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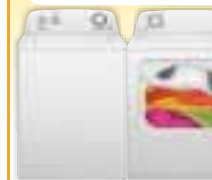


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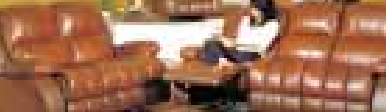
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