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Bob Purvis of the Homedale-area Purvis Nursery and Orchard sells fresh fruit to band booster club vice-president Kirsten Mast on Saturday.

# Homedale market begins to grow

Vendor count expected to double this week

If you didn't get there early, you would have missed the inaugural Homedale Farmers Market.

Organizers from the Homedale High School Band Boosters Club said the market all but sold out within two hours of opening on June 15. There were three booths.

Saturday's second round for the market show-cased four vendors, including two Homedale

residents who are veterans of the farmers market circuit.

"This is neat," Darlene Webb said one day after she had participated in Murphy's farmers market. "I'd like to make it a regular thing."

Webb, who runs Darlene's Unique Handbags, has sold at other markets in the valley, but she's glad she was able to stay home last weekend.

"It's good to see Homedale have a farmers market," she said.

Proceeds from the vendor fees benefit the band
— See Market, Page 4

# **HHS** principal leaves for Caldwell



Luci Asumendi-Mereness

#### Assistant superintendent post awaits

After nearly 17 years in the Homedale School District, Luci Asumendi-Mereness is moving on.

Superintendent Rob Sauer said he accepted the high school principal's resignation on behalf of the school board Monday.

Asumendi-Mereness, who became HHS principal in July 2011, has accepted Caldwell's assistant superintendent

position and will be working with former Homedale schools boss Tim Rosandick.

"Luci has meant a lot to the school district over her many years of service as a classroom teacher and coach and serving

— See **Principal,** back page

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Newly hired band director takes Middleton job instead

# Homedale's mayor loses cancer fight

Fink dies in the middle of sixth term in office

Paul J. Fink, who served as Homedale mayor in four different decades, has died.

The city's six-term chief executive, 75, died at home Saturday after battling bone cancer while still trying to fulfill the duties of his office.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road outside Homedale.

Fink's illness kept him away from the June 12 city council meeting

Paul Fink

— See **Fink**, back page

# County set to replace rickety bridge in Silver

# Materials acquired, now it's a matter of time

Silver City residents will have to wait a little longer, but the county plans to do something about the deteriorating bridge over Jordan Creek.

District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland on Thursday confirmed that Owyhee County Road crews will begin repair of the bridge later this summer.

"The county is going to try to help the Silver City people replace that bridge," Hoagland said. "We've already ordered some materials." Hoagland figures the materials will cost less than \$3,000 and the only expense in the project will be the labor costs for the District 1 road crew.

Property owners in Silver City have spent more than two years trying to find an answer to the dilemma of the failing bridge.

Once suitable for vehicle traffic, the bridge has been closed to all motorized use since at least last summer. Some property owners, though, say that hasn't deterred some ATV riders who have removed barriers and motored across the weakened span.

"It would probably be a good idea to educate those within their

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#### Restaurant re-opens



#### Marsing eatery has new name, owner

D&J Grill employee Josie Grim chats with lunchtime diners Ron McIntyre and Sherri McIntyre on Friday at D&J Grill inside Caba's Lounge on Main Street in Marsing. Debbie Carter reopened the restaurant under the new name earlier this month. D&J Grill is open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from noon to 8 p.m. on Sunday.

# Hit-and-run after fairgrounds fight

#### Woman injured after rodeo

Authorities are on the lookout for a suspect vehicle involved in a hit-and-run that sent a woman to the hospital Sunday during a chaotic, fight-filled end to a rodeo at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said Monday that a dark blue Chevy Tahoe with a possible broken right headlight is being sought.

Eidemiller said that the battery suspect hit the woman and three unattended vehicles while fleeing the scene of a melee in the fairgrounds parking lot.

Anyone with information on the incident should call Owyhee County Sheriff's dispatch at (208) 495-1154.

Nearly 20 law enforcement officials responded to the fairgrounds.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Sheriff Perry Grant told him upwards of 3,000 people were at the fairgrounds.

Bowman said dispatch had received numerous 911 calls throughout the day that included noise complaints and, ultimately, reports of the fighting.

A second person was injured during the fighting.

In addition to HPD and OCSO, personnel from the sheriff's Posse, police departments in Wilder, Parma and Nampa and Canyon County Sheriff's deputies responded to the report of numerous fights erupting at approximately 9 p.m.

# Homedale workers can expect raises in next budget year

First Street near Frosty Palace will get repaved

The Homedale City Council appears poised to give all employees a four percent raise in fiscal year 2014.

Councilmen agreed to build the raise into the proposed budget during their second workshop last Wednesday.

While additional meetings could always be scheduled, it appeared last week's meeting with departments was the final workshop before the proposed budget is finalized.

The public hearing on the city's proposed budget will be held during the council's regular meeting on Aug. 14. Council members are scheduled approve the appropriations during their Aug. 22 meeting.

The pay increase will go to both full-time and part-time employees. At the first budget workshop on June 6, Mayor Paul Fink expressed his desire that only full-time workers receive the four percent bump, leaving part-timers in the City Hall office and the public library at their FY 2013 wage.

Fink didn't attend last Wednesday's workshop, and Councilman Steve Atkins chimed in on speakerphone from Nevada. Fink lost his battle with cancer on

During last week's workshop, Councilman Tim Downing said he supported the original plan for three percent raises across the board.

"I think some of our part-time

employees would be as hard to replace as our full-time people," Downing said.

Councilman Aaron Tines said that now that he attends library board members as the city's liaison he has gained a new perspective on the work of the library's part-time employees on activities such as Story Time and the summer reading program.

"The part-time people at the library are working very diligently on those programs," he said.

Public works employee Brett Smith will receive a raise and apparently will be put into a public works assistant position that the council will create. Earlier conversations revealed that Smith's promotion is the start of the eventual transition when public works supervisor Larry Bauer retires.

The public works capital improvement budget for roads was set at \$80,000 with a priority of rehabilitating the block of South 1st Street East between Idaho and Wvoming avenues. Bauer said that project could cost between \$8,000 and \$10,000.

There was talk of rebuilding North 3rd Street West from Idaho Avenue to the Owyhee County Fairgrounds, but Bauer said a cement recycled asphalt based stabilization (CRABS) project would cost between \$80,000 and \$100,000 on its own.

"We can't do that without a grant. The money's just not there," Bauer said. "If we don't get a grant and keep putting money aside every year, we can do it ourselves."

The capital improvement budget for roads does not include seal coating maintenance.



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# Pilot killed in plane crash two miles from Owyhee Dam on Sunday morning

Federal investigators were expected to arrive Monday at the scene of a fatal plane crash near the Owyhee Reservoir.

The plane crash was reported at 11 a.m. Sunday.

Malheur County Sheriff's dispatch confirmed Monday morning that the plane's lone occupant died after the aircraft struck a power line and crashed two miles below the Owyhee Dam.

Sheriff's personnel were still on the ground Monday continuing the investigation.

The pilot's identity was being withheld as authorities worked to notify next of kin.



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# Homedale to tackle more library issues Thursday

# Council members worried about policy uniformity

Six days after reducing its financial support of the library, the Homedale City Council is set to review library policies Thursday.

The council holds its second meeting of the month at 6 p.m. Thursday inside the magistrate courtroom at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Other agenda items Thursday include:

- Appointing an interim mayor to succeed Paul Fink, who died Saturday
- Regular departmental reports

The meeting comes in the wake of council members asking the library board to spend some of the \$183,000 in the state investment fund on library operational costs.

Council members want to see the library pick up about \$2,200 for the reading programs and computer upkeep.

Library board member Carolyn Grooms wanted the city to let the state investment pool remain whole.

"I think if the city is going to support us, they should support us whole-heartedly and let us save our money for a new building," she said.

City support, which will be \$51,000 in fiscal year 2014 (up slightly from FY 2013's \$50,000), has been a bone of contention between the library board and the city council.

## City may raise RV rates

The Homedale City Council soon may consider a new city fee schedule, including an increase in the overnight parking cost at the Riverside Park RV facility.

Councilmembers are scheduled to discuss the possible changes during their 6 p.m. meeting Thursday at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

A public hearing will be set once the fee schedule has been finalized, but public works director Larry Bauer made the case for higher RV parking fees at this month's first council meeting.

Currently, campers pay \$10 per night to park across Riverside Drive from the Snake River.

"I would highly suggest going to \$15," Bauer said.

Bauer cited rising electricity costs, and said that the park is barely a break-even proposition for the city because of the high power bills.

Additionally, Idaho Power recently received Idaho Public Utilities Commission approval for a 15 percent rate increase.

Bauer said the rate was increased from \$7.50 10 years ago.

City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram said her research revealed cities in size comparable to Homedale that have public RV hookups are charging \$20 per night.

She added that several fees will either be increased or decreased when the new fee schedule is proposed.

— JPE

There is no taxing district for the library — the only such situation in Owyhee County — and the city council allocates a part of the general fund to help run the library each year.

The library's FY 14 budget will be \$68,000, 2.3 percent more than the current \$66,400.

Another revenue stream for the library is non-resident fees. The library charges \$28 per household per year for users who live outside the city limits.

Earlier in the budget process, Fink had suggested a cut in city support for FY 2014 to force the library to spend some of its investment money, most of which has come in the form of donations or bequests.

During the library board meeting on June 10, however, Idaho Commission for Libraries consultant Kevin Tomlinson provided a handout explaining that reducing library support by an amount correlative to donations received in essence deprives the library of the donations.

Homedale City Councilman Aaron Tines, however, said: "There are discrepancies between what Tomlinson is telling them

and what our city attorney (Paul J. Fitzer) is telling us."

Tines added that as a city entity, the library board also has access to Fitzer's services.

City support was established in 1988 to replace a levy that helped fund the library. The levy had been in place since 1972, and the library had earned as much as \$10,069.53 (in 1986) and as little as \$2,109.06 (in 1975).

Councilman Aaron Tines, who supports the idea of a library district, said the library currently receives more money through city support than they would if the old tax levy was still in place.

"Personally, I think they would be better of as a district," Tines said. "They'd get more funding and a lot more opportunities than they do under the city at this time.

"But I think it's going to (take) a large community effort to get the public educated on the process and educated on the benefits (of a district)."

Library director Margaret Fujishin said the committee examining the possibility of a district dissolved as people lost interest, but that the Friends of the Homedale Library has picked up the baton.

"They hope to work toward a district, but (Tomlinson) said there's just not enough help," Fujishin said.

"Unless we an get a lot more citizens to help, it'll be tough to get it done."

In the meantime, the city council wants to smooth its relationship with the library board. To that

end, Tines has been attending monthly library board meetings as the city liaison. The library board typically meets at 10 a.m. on the Monday before the city council's first meeting of the month. The meetings take place at the library.

"The problem we've had with the library is they've enacted some policies that go against the employee handbook," Tines said. "With a liaison, there will be communication to clarify a lot of this and give clarification on who the authority is here."

Among the policies contrary to the employee handbook was giving vacation and sick time to part-time employees, which came into being during Harold Wilson's mayoral administration. The practice stopped after Fink took office.

During its budget workshop last week, the council scrambled to address one issue when it came to light that library director Margaret Fujishin and her husband, Barry, have been using personal funds to pay a local family-owned landscaping company to mow the lawn at the city-owned facility at 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Upkeep on city property is the responsibility of the public works department, and council members voiced concerns about liability if an outside entity is allowed to do the work.

Council members asked that the practice stop immediately and that city workers resume taking care of the grounds.

— JPB

# Drug arrest nets prison for California woman

A California woman has been sentenced to prison for felony drug possession.

Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan ordered at least two years of incarceration for Placerville, Calif., resident Deeanna Marie Nichols during a sentencing hearing last month in Murphy.

Nichols, who was born in 1960, entered a guilty plea on May 24, and

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery dropped a second count of felony possession of a controlled substance and a misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia charge.

In addition to the prison sentence, which included an indeterminate term of three years, Ryan imposed a discretionary six-month jail term.

### Irrigation boards to meet

The directors who oversee irrigation water delivery to the Marsing, Homedale and Adrian areas hold meetings Tuesday.

The Ridgeview Irrigation District board meets at 7 p.m.

The Gem Irrigation District directors meet at 7:15 p.m.

The South Board of Control convenes at 7:30 p.m.

All three meetings will be held at 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale.

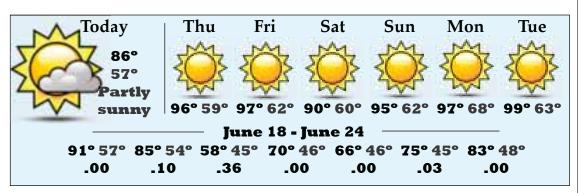




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#### Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 32 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 110 cubic feet per second. Water was flowing out at Nyssa, Ore. at a rate of 154 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 232,199 acre-feet of water on Monday.



# Time's running out to weigh in on Gateway

Concerned citizens have nine days left to comment on the Gateway West transmission power line

The Bureau of Land Management has set a Friday, June 28 deadline to receive feedback on the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) on the routing of the 500-kilovolt electrical transmission line through Wyoming and Idaho, including the breadth of Owyhee County.

The line will originate near Glen Rock, Wyo., and terminate nearly 1,000 miles later at the Hemingway Butte substation in Wilson.

A task force of Owyhee County citizens has devised an alternative segment in an attempt to keep the power line off private property. BLM officials in the Boise District and at the state level accepted the alternative, but federal officials in the agency's national office set it aside.

The county's Planning and Zoning commission recently held a public hearing regarding a proposed power overlay that would essentially force BLM to stick to the alternative route. No action has been taken on the proposal.

Copies of the FEIS are available at the BLM Owyhee Field Office, 20 1st Ave. W., in Marsing

A copy can also be requested by contacting project manager Walt George at the BLM Wyoming State Office, P.O. Box 20879, Cheyenne, WY 82003 or by phone at (307) 775-6116.

Comments can be submitted in a number of ways:

- Through the project website www.wy.blm.gov/nepa/cfodocs/ gateway west
- By email at Gateway West WYMail@blm.gov
- By mail to BLM, Gateway West Project, P.O. Box 20879, Cheyenne, WY 82003

#### Riders head for Silver State

Seven local high school rodeo athletes hit the road later this week for Winnemucca, Nev., and the Silver State International Rodeo.

Competitors include:

- Tyler Reay of Adrian, who qualified as a tie-down roper. He also has made the field for the National High School Finals Rodeo next month in Wyoming as a steer wrestler.
- Marsing's Ria Kent in barrel racing
- Homedale's Bo Pickett in tiedown roping
- · Rimrock's Zach Tindall in saddle bronc riding
- Marsing club member Chris Cowger, who recently graduated from Melba High, in saddle bronc
- Marsing's Lorenzo Lankow in bareback bronc
- Tom Nelson of Marsing in team roping with partner Staheli Wilkinson of McDermitt, Nev.

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# Market: Vendors happy to sell locally

boosters, who in turn will use the money to help supply the high school band.

"Any school group that participates doesn't pay a booth fee," booster club president Denise Dixon said.

Homedale FFA will join the fray later in the season, Dixon said. The Homedale Middle School Academic Bowl team may soon turn out, too.

On Saturday, the HHS cross country team continued is fundraising ahead of a rebirth in the fall. Coach Heidi Ankeny, her children and their cousins manned a table where cookies and bread were available.

The market will be held each

Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bette Uda City Park. The season lasts until the end of October.

Bob Purvis of Purvis Nursery and Orchard was selling fresh apples, apricots, cherries, pears and plums that he raised on his one-acre property on Hill Road.

Like Webb, Purvis has made a habit of attending farmers markets. He has attended the Caldwell market, and he also has sold his produce to The College of Idaho and Paul's Market.

Dixon and band booster club vice-president Kirsten Mast were taking care of vendor registration Saturday. Mast's son, Spencer, was nearby selling zucchini chocolate chip cookies, radishes, marigold

starters, eggs and lettuce. Spencer also sold out early during the June 15 market.

Dixon said she expects the number of booths to grow exponentially this Saturday. She anticipates eight to 10 booths.

To get involved with the Homedale Farmers Market, contact Dixon at ddixon222@msn. com or (208) 840-0440. — JPB

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# Suspect sought in rape at Homedale bar

Homedale Police are investigating a bar employee's rape.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said that a female employee at Fisher's Bar was allegedly raped at knifepoint early Friday morning.

The incident resulted in a full

response from the police department. Homedale Ambulance and an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy also responded.

The suspect remains at-large and no other details were released

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#### Tales of the ION Country

#### Buckaroo Mechanics

One of the unfortunate side effects coming from our age of refined technology is the complete dependence

In days passed, Americans were known for their ability to fix things up and get by ... if not then, invent something to fill the job. As time passed, this so-called Yankee Ingenuity developed into a technology that only the highly skilled could understand let alone master.

The average citizen quite naturally became confused when appliances and modern breed of transportation, the automobile, refused to work. There are a few people who still retain the old "fix it up and get by" ability, but they are far and few between.

Ranchers are masters of this because they usually have an assortment of "make shift" equipment to work with. To demonstrate what I mean, I'll give an example of a boy working for me during haying one summer. He was driving a power buck, yarding hay, when a rear wheel fell off. I looked up the field and saw him walking around the buck, kicking the tires and scratching his head.

When I came up, I asked him to help jack the outfit up and inspect the problem. The nut holding the wheel on the spindle had come off. The threads were stripped, so I told him to go over to the barnyard and pull some hair out of the old saddle horse's tail. He gave me a "Are you kidding?" look, and left to fetch the hair. By the time he returned, I had the wheel together. I took the hair, wrapped it around the threads and tightened the nut. I put in a cotter key to hold it in place and told him to go to work. All in 15 minutes.

He wanted to know where I had learned to do that, and I told him from my father. Because I had his attention, I told him about other tricks my father had learned in the Model "T" days long before it took an automotive engineering degree to tighten the radiator cap. The advice was on how to plug a leaky radiator. Put pepper in it and if that's not available, use dried horse manure.

Not wanting to spoil the lesson, I left him to his job, hoping he had learned something about making do.

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

# Senior menus

#### **Homedale Senior Center**

June 26: Sausage & biscuits, potato, carrots

June 27: Roast pork, mashed potatoes, gravy, bread, broccoli

#### **Marsing Senior Center**

June 26: Soup & sandwich bar, fruit, cookies June 27: Chicken enchiladas, peas & carrots, rice, peaches, apple

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# Calendar

#### **Today**

#### Laughter Yoga

1:30 p.m., \$3, open to everyone, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208)

#### Summer reading program

3:30 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday

#### **Thursday**

#### Senior center exercise class

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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

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

#### Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting

6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

#### **Saturday**

#### **Homedale Running Club**

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

#### **Homedale Farmers Market**

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue. (208) 840-0440 or ddixon222@msn.

#### Monday

#### **Board of County Commissioners meeting**

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

#### **Tuesday**

#### **Homedale Chamber of Commerce meeting**

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

#### Senior center exercise class

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

#### **Ridgeview Irrigation District board meeting**

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

#### Gem Irrigation District board meeting

7:15 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

#### South Board of Control board meeting

7:30 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

#### Wednesday

#### Laughter Yoga

1:30 p.m., \$3, open to everyone, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

#### Homedale Highway District meeting

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

#### Thursday, July 4

#### **Lions Club Fourth of July Demolition Derby**

6 p.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds rodeo arena, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale

#### Saturday, July 6

#### **Homedale Running Club**

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

#### **Homedale Farmers Market**

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Ave. (208) 840-0440 or ddixon222@msn.com

#### Monday, July 8

#### **Board of County Commissioners meeting**

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

#### Rangeland monitoring workshop

9 a.m. to 4 p.m., RSVP by July 1, McKeeth Hall, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 896-4104

#### 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)

#### Owyhee County Fair board meeting

8 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing

#### Tuesday, July 9

#### Senior center exercise class

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.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.

#### Gem Highway District board meeting

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

#### Marsing School Board meeting

8 p.m., Marsing School District office, 209 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4111

#### Wednesday, July 10

#### Laughter Yoga

1:30 p.m., \$3, open to everyone, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

#### Senior center board meeting

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

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

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

#### **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, July 11

#### Senior center exercise class

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208)

#### 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

#### Homedale School board meeting

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

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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 (an e-mail link also is available on our Web site). For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.

# Locals make UI Dean's List

Several students with Owyhee ties have been placed on the spring semester Dean's List at the University of Idaho in Moscow.

To make the list, undergraduate students must attain a grade-point average of 3.5 on a minimum of 10 graded credits.

**Bruneau** — Shelby Lea Chandler, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences; Anna Kay Cantrell, College of Education

**Homedale** — Wendy Prado-Martinez, College of Letters Arts & Social Sciences;

Several students with Owyhee ties have Zach Thomas Tolmie, College of Science

Marsing — Annie Marie Finley, College of Education; Deidrie Jo Briggs, College of Science

**Melba** — Micah Abraham Good, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences; Jennifer Terese Good, College of Education

Wilder — Caitlyn Mikaiala Johnson, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences; Rebecca Selena Leavitt, College of Business & Economics

#### JV student makes Dean's List in Ohio

Caleb Cunningham has completed his freshman year at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio.

The son of Jordna Valley's Ron and Nancy Cunningham was recognized with a spot on the university's Dean's List for the spring semester

Cunningham is majoring in General

#### College news

The Owyhee Avalanche publishes news about local students who graduate college or make a Dean's List. Confirmation must be received from the school before publication.

Most colleges will send information to newspapers identified by the students.

# **Obituaries**

#### 8/30/1937 - 6/22/2013

Paul John Fink was born in Bruner, Missouri to Louis Earl Fink and Gladys Holman Fink on August 30, 1937. He attended public schools at Sparta, Missouri. Years of drought in Missouri brought his parents, along with him and his five sisters and four brothers, to Idaho where his father sought work. Two brothers have preceded him in death: Robert and Oscar. He is survived by his sisters: Eleanor, Shirley, Eloise, Shelba and Melba (Midge), brothers: Bill and Russell of Wilder.

Paul was married to Ada Brown in 1959. They were later divorced. He is survived by two daughters, Shirley Louise and Megan Pauline.

Paul went to work at the Simplot plant in Caldwell where he was promoted to supervisor of the packaging department within five years and remained in that position for another five years before moving to California. He became employed in the trucking



industry, driving for Tri-State Motor Transit primarily where he hauled nuclear waste to waste facilities for many years during the Vietnam War era. On May 14, 1979 his load of U238 nuclear waste started on fire while he was waiting early in the morning for the gates to open at the Beatty, Nevada nuclear waste facility site. Paul was reported in the

#### Paul J. Fink

local news coverage as not having survived the accident.

Paul and Jan were married in August of 1986. They have been blessed with a life together filled with many family memories and good times accompanied by the joy and happiness of the comfort of their home, which was where they found great contentment together. Paul is survived by his wife: Jan, father-in-law and mother-in-law: James and Juanita Graham of Boise, Idaho, his brothers-in-law: Loren Graham of Star, Idaho and his family and Laird (Vicki) Graham of Meridian, Idaho and their family.

Paul opened Valley Machine Shop in 1980 and operated it until the present time. His machinist skills evolved over the years by "just being around it" day in and day out. He found great satisfaction in being able to fix things, build parts or salvage equipment for which parts were no longer available. He liked helping people, and the service he provided was a good fit that brought fulfillment to his life.

He became involved in city government beginning in 1984. He served as Mayor of Homedale for 21 of the last 29 years having begun his 6<sup>th</sup> term in January of 2012. His desire to help, ability to work with people, and knowledge and understanding of the infrastructure of the City were valuable assets.

His favorite recreational pursuits included golfing and fishing. How he enjoyed his many golfing buddies, some of whom also became his fishing buddies. The Owyhee Reservoir, Brownlee, Arrowrock were the preferred destinations for their happy fishing waters!

Paul went to his heavenly reward on June 22, 2013. He was ushered into the Kingdom of Heaven by his family members and friends who came to visit him during his latter days in his battle with cancer and were concerned about his spiritual well-being. In prayer with his wife, Jan, he committed his life to the Lord. Subsequent

visitors affirmed his decision and shared with him the glorious joy and beauty of Heaven! It was his desire to spend eternity with his loved ones. We will meet you in heaven, sweet pumpkin! I'll probably find you there on the greenest and most beautiful of heavenly golf courses!

A special word of appreciation and thanks to the Heart 'n Home Hospice organization and the City of Homedale employees who gave a needed assist during our time of need.

A memorial service will be held at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene just outside the City of Homedale at 26515 Ustick Rd. on Friday, June 28, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. Arrangements are under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Memorial contributions can be made to the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene at 26515 Ustick Rd., Wilder, ID 83676.

Condolences for the family may be left at www.flahifffuneralchapel. com.

## **Gladys Gilbert Smith**

Gladys Gilbert Smith, 95, died Thursday, June 20, 2013 at a Caldwell, Idaho care center of natural causes.

Gladys Juanita and her twin sister, Goldie Rosetta, were born June 2, 1918 near Wilder, Idaho, to Ernest Darius and Helga Elina Dyre Gilbert. Gladys was salutatorian of her class when she graduated from Homedale High School in 1936.

She later graduated from St. Luke's Hospital and Nurse's Training School in Boise, Idaho in 1945 and worked in that field until her retirement as a Registered Nurse.

Gladys and D. Leroy Smith were married November 25, 1945.

They spent all their married life in the Fargo Community. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Roswell, Idaho. Her testimony is, "I have secured my soul's eternal destiny on the Person and finished work of the Lord Jesus Christ."

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leroy, in 1988, her twin sister, Goldie Brown in 1981, a brother, Dale Gilbert, and sisters Arlene Knight, and Illa Small in 2001, and a sister Ada McIntyre in 2009.

Survivors include: daughter, Margaret Bensuaski of Henderson, Nevada; son, Paul Smith (Paula) of Council, Idaho; son, Philip Smith (Cherie) of Eldorado Hills, California. Grandchildren: Max Bensuaski, Andria Bensuaski, Stephen Smith, Scott Smith, and Claire Smith; eight greatgrandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

A graveside service was held Monday, June 24, 2013, 11:00 a.m. at Fargo Cemetery, Wilder, Idaho with Pastor Gerald Thomas of Roswell Baptist Church to officiate. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Gladys's name to the Roswell Baptist Church, PO Box 126, Parma, Idaho 83660.

Condolences for the family may be left online at www. flahifffuneralchapel.com.

# **Death notices**

**MARY BRYANT**, 94, who once lived on Sinker Creek, died Wednesday, June 19, 2013. A graveside service was held Tuesday, June 25, 2013 at Kohlerlawn Cemetery in Nampa.

**GLADYS J. SMITH,** 95, of Caldwell, died Thursday, June 20, 2013 of natural causes at a Caldwell care facility. Services are pending at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. 459-0833

**ROSEMARIE VAN SLYKE**, 94, of Central Cove (Wilder), died Tuesday, June 18, 2013. Graveside services were held Friday, June 21, 2013 at Canyon Hill Cemetery in Caldwell. Services were under the direction of Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-3629









From left: Ander Caballero, the Basque government's new delegate to the United States and Canada; Leyre Madariaga, Director for Foreign Affairs; Sen. Jim Risch; Marian Elorz, the government's new Secretary of Foreign Affairs; and Asier Vallejo, Director for the Basque Communities Abroad. Photo courtesy of Risch's office

# Risch meets with Basque government delegates

Sen. Jim Risch (R-Idaho) suggested a future visit to Idaho when he met with Basque government representatives June 13 in Washington, D.C.

The reps informed Risch that Basque Region president Iñigo

Urkullu will visit the United States in October for the centennial celebration of the Basque Civic Center in New York City.

Risch urged the delegates to visit Idaho and invited Urkullu to the U.S. Capitol.

#### Everybody dance



Public learns Basque steps at Txoko Ona picnic

With help from members of the Herribatza Dantzariak youth dance troupe, audience members learn Kontradantza during Sunday's picnic at the Txoko Ona Basque Center in Homedale. The event was open to the public and featured a lunch of Basque favorites as well as weight-carrying and tug o'war competitions in the afternoon.

# Wilder man's plea to misdemeanors, avoids felonies

Jail sentence suspended, probation ordered

A man originally charged with six felonies after he broke into his girlfriend's house will spend no more time in jail.

Gerado Arias-Flores, a Wilder man born in 1966, was sentenced

to probation and time served during a hearing before Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan in Murphy last month.

He'll have to pay \$365 in fines and court fees and has been

After Arias-Flores entered a guilty plea to reduced charges on May 24, Ryan ordered two years' probation and suspended

the balance of a six-month jail sentence. The defendant had already spent 23 days in Owyhee County Jail after Homedale Police officers arrested him in November.

Arias-Flores was originally charged with two counts each of rape, felony burglary and domestic battery with traumatic

One domestic battery charge was dropped during a Dec. 3 preliminary hearing because of lack of probable cause.

One rape charge was reduced to misdemeanor battery. The second rape charge was reduced to misdemeanor unlawful entry.

Both burglary felonies were reduced to unlawful entry misdemeanors.



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(800) 624-0082

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Bob Ensley, the driver of the yellow Ford pickup, talks to a Westown's Disposal employee in the aftermath of Thursday's fender-bender.

# Garbage truck driver cited in non-injury wreck in Homedale

Homedale Police and Owyhee County Sheriff's personnel responded to a three-car accident Thursday afternoon on Industrial Road just west of U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale.

No one was injured when a driver of the Westown's truck,

Westown's Disposal truck backed into a yellow Ford Ranger pickup. The pickup driver took evasive action and backed into a Nissan Quest Minivan.

Homedale Police cited the

Ruben Cortinas, for improper or unsafe backing.

According to witnesses, Cortinas drove too far out toward the highway and had to back up when a southbound semi tried to turn west onto Industrial from U.S. 95.

## Three Creek

by Lola Blossom

The summer meeting of the 71 Livestock association was held June 11, 2013 at the Three Creek School. A range tour started at 9:30 a.m., and after returning from it a bountiful lunch was served. A large crowd attended consisting of ranchers, retired old timers and representatives from several organizations.

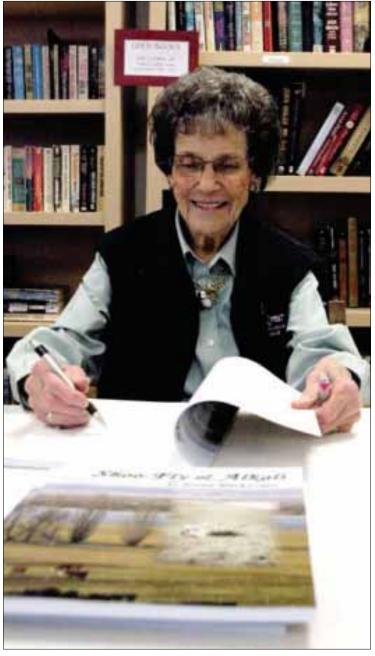
Laria Lovec and Wendy Fuell from the Wells, Nev. office of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest were in attendance as was Krystle Pehrson and the rest of the Bureau of Land Management crew from the Twin Falls District office. Krystle says the wild horses are doing fine and multiplying.

Bonnie Colyer of Bruneau was up to the meeting with her recently published book "Shoo-Fly & Alkali." Bonnie and husband, Ray, spent the first few years of their married life at House Creek. They lived in the big two-story Caudle house. George Mahoney, father-in-law of Fred Walters, built three of those houses, which were like mansions in those days. Besides the Caudle house, one was for Fred Walters on Three Creek and one for Jerome Helsley at Rogerson. All are now burned and gone.

A lightning-started fire burned about 5,000 acres of rangeland belonging to Chet Bracket and Simplot. It was near the Bruneau Canyon and Indian Hot Springs.

Three Creek School had its graduation party May 30. The school and PTO do many interesting things.

Pastor Bob Schreckenberg 95, passed away June 13, 2013 at St. Luke's Medical Center. He was born Nov. 17, 1917 in Peoria, Ill. He came to Idaho about 25



Bonnie Colyer signs her book earlier this month at Outpost Days in Murphy. She continued her book tour for "Shoo-Fly and Alkali" a few days later at the 71 Livestock Association summer meeting in Three Creek

years ago from North Carolina. He came to Three Creek and Jarbidge and taught us old heathens that there was a "P" in Psalms. His wife Louise passed away in Twin Falls in 1990. He is survived

by his daughter, Gwen Schreckenberg of Burnsville, N.C., and three nephews and three nieces. A celebration of life was held June 17 at Reynolds Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

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# Highway levy may be dead, but Homedale will seek permit fees

#### Proposal subject to public hearing next week

The Homedale Highway District apparently is done seeking for a levy increase.

Board chair and Subdistrict 1 Commissioner Larry Prow said the idea of re-running the levy increase, which failed in May voting, wasn't discussed at the directors' June 5 meeting.

Prow said he wasn't a fan of trying to run the levy increase against the Homedale School District's second go-round for its two-year supplemental levy.

Instead, highway commissioners have put forth a fee schedule and will seek public comment on it at their next meeting.

A public hearing on the set of fees is scheduled for 8 p.m. next Wednesday at the district office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale.

"Some of the schedule is based on some of the other highway districts' fee schedules," Prow said.

"I don't think it's going to per-

tain to many people."

Prow said the fee schedule is built mostly to address future development, such as residential subdivisions.

The schedule, which appears in the Public Notices section of this week's edition of The Owyhee Avalanche, covers final plat review, special use permits for rights-of-way, approaches, variances, wide load permits, sign installation, right-of-way vacation, house moving and cutting road surfaces for the installation of infrastructure, such as electrical or water lines.

The fees range from a \$2,000 fee for a commercial approach or an approach for three or more residential properties to \$25 for the initial application to establish a no-spray zone.

Subdistrict 2 Commissioner John Demshar, who will be leaving office, originally floated the idea of a fee schedule before the levy election, but the idea was tabled until now.

Prow said Director of Highways Stuart Constantine helped come up with the fee schedule.

— JPE



Oregon-Idaho Utilities announces the availability of Lifeline telephone service for qualifying Oregon customers. Lifeline is a government assistance program that is non-transferable. This program is limited to one discount per household. Oregonians who receive one of the following qualifying benefits may receive up to a \$12.75 reduction in their monthly bill for local residential telephone service or cellular service.

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- Supplemental Security Income
- Certain State Medical Programs or Medicaid

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Knife River Corp. Northwest employees continue work on the concrete slab bridge that will carry Idaho highway 78 across Scorpion Creek. ITD photo

# Idaho 78 bridge work hits a snag

#### ITD: Issues could push back completion

Work on the installation of a bridge on Idaho highway 78 northwest of Murphy could be

According to the Idaho Transportation Department, issues with bearing pads may slightly delay the placement of bridge

Workers from Knife River Corp. Northwest of Boise have been constructing a concrete slab bridge to replace three corrugated metal culverts that ran under the roadway and drained Scorpion Creek into the Snake River.

The culverts had become more than halfway filled with sediment, causing flooding over the roadway and a safety hazard during high water events.

Crews also are fixing rebar issues with the bridge parapet, ITD spokesman Reed Hollinshead

Hollinshead said the project could be completed in mid- to

Other elements of the \$947,000 project include raising the roadway about two feet and reconstructing the approaches to match the new height and wider bridge.

A temporary traffic signal regulates one lane of traffic across the bridge during construction, but flaggers will be used when needed.

# Kart racing, games will entertain during Lions derby breaks

#### Lions still have tickets, but A section is sold out

There are a few new things on the immediate horizon for the Homedale Lions Club Fourth of July Demolition Derby.

And none of it has to do with smashing up cars.

An Outlaw Kart racing exhibition and car-related games will be presented next week to keep folks entertained between heat races in the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual derby at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale.

The gates open at 4 p.m. and the grand entry will be held at

Tickets are still available, but — as expected — the covered grandstand A section tickets have

There are 169 B section tickets left, and they cost \$15 each.

are still available for \$12 each.

Tickets are available at the

Homedale NAPA Owyhee Auto Parts location. Call (208) 337-4668 for more information, or log on to www.homedalelionsclub.

After last Wednesday's drivers meeting, it was revealed that 29 cars have been registered for this year's derby.

Fewer than 25 entrants registered last year, and organizers like to see a maximum of 32, which sets up a field of four, eight-car heats.

In other heat intermissions, spectators will have a chance to get involved with games. Participation will be on a firstcome, first-served basis once the competitions.

One competition will be wheelbarrow races for ages 15

Three heats of six competitors will be run with the top two in each heat qualifying for the final to battle for a prize.

A dancing free-for-all will be held for all ages during another A total of 595 C section seats break in the action. The top three groups of dancers will receive

# Changes for Marsing's Third of July

#### Doodlebugs discontinued, Island Park to be closed to vehicles

The shifting of Marsing's Third of July celebration from City Park to the town's blossoming showpiece is complete as the event moves entirely to Island Park this year.

The Chamber of Commerce has discontinued the long-running Doodlebug Race fundraiser, and the Marsing Lions Club barbecue moved to Island Park last year, so there is no need to use City Park anymore.

The Third of July Celebration of Our Nation event will be held next Wednesday beginning at 3

Chamber president Jolyn Green said the decision to end the Doodlebug Race stemmed from the dwindling revenue and the increased labor to run the fundraiser that helped pay for

"The last several years when we've gone to businesses for do that?" "Green said. "It costs us more time and money than we made."

The Chamber took over operation of the Doodlebug Race from the Lions Club a couple

"It worked for a time," Green said. "It doesn't work any longer.'

Green said there are other fundraising ideas in the works, including Marsing's volunteer firefighters possibly taking the "pass the boot" campaign to the streets to ask motorists coming into town for the festivities for help. The firefighters also pass the boot through the throngs that gather to watch the fireworks over the Snake River each year.

People can also donate to the fireworks fund by calling Green at (208) 318-3982, Marsing City Hall at (208) 896-4122 or The Spot Pizza at (208) 896-5055.

This year's Third of July kicks off with a Farmers Market from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Island Park. It's an open market for anything to be sold (as long as it's legal, organizers say). The market could include produce, re-purposed items, yard sale items and food.

donations, it's been, 'What's a percent of the day's sales. For designated lots. Doodlebug?' and 'Why would I more information, call (208) 318-3982 or (208) 896-5055.

The Marsing Lions Club's barbecue begins at 6:30 p.m. at Island Park.

This is the second year that the barbecue has been served at the park by the Snake River. In the past, the Lions dished up their fundraising meal at City Park.

Green also announced that the City of Marsing has agreed to close Island Park to vehicle traffic for the day.

The decision stems from concerns for pedestrian safety as well as the congested parking down by the river that occurs each year.

"Last year, watching the mess that happened, people had been parking and blocking others in," Green said. "Some were parked three deep and sideways."

There will be parking elsewhere downtown and a shuttle running to take folks to Island Park.

The parking areas will be the dirt lot in the railroad right-ofway across Old Bruneau Highway from Caba's and the Marsing High School gymnasium parking lot across from Logan's Market.

Green said the free shuttle will pick up people anywhere The fee is \$15 to sell or 15 they can park, not just at the two

— JPB

## Ag interest groups offer free photo plot class for ranchers

#### Free workshop shows how to efficient monitor range

Ranchers can learn to help themselves when it comes to rangeland monitoring with a free workshop next month in Murphy.

The Idaho Farm Bureau and Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission are sponsoring a photo plot monitoring

The class will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, July 8 inside the Owyhee County Historical Museum's McKeeth Hall in Murphy.

Lunch will be provided.

RSVP by Monday by calling the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104.

By collaborating with local land managers, land users will learn how to better monitor the resource by creating a photographic log of year-to-year range conditions.

According to University of Arizona

Extension representative Jeff Schalau, who is quoted in the Extension Office's pamphlet on the Murphy class, rangeland monitoring is critical for anyone operating under a federal grazing permit.

Among the finer points of the

- The basics of setting up a photo plot
- Useful tips for quick data collection • Ways to organize and use collected
- Hands-on presentations and learning

After the class, anyone wishing on-site help in starting a photo plot of their ranch or allotment can call the extension office to make an appointment.

With photo plot monitoring, ranchers can compile records to get a better handle on their own management practices, and used the data when making future decisions.

The photos also will help ranchers find areas of concern in their allotments and provide documentation of changes for their protection during future reviews with land

# Men sentenced for DUI

A Homedale man spent one day in jail and received one year's probation for driving under the influence.

Robert R. Frederick of Homedale (born, 1942) appeared before Magistrate Judge William B. Dillon III. Dillon suspended Frederick's driver's license for six months and imposed \$852 in fines and court costs.

Arrested Jan. 13 by Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Terry McGrew, Frederick received credit for one day in jail and was ordered to spend an additional day behind bars. Dillon suspended the balance of a six-month sentence.

Two men arrested by Homedale Police officers on drunk driving charges received suspended sentences and probation.

The newest HPD officer, Christopher Jacob, arrested Marsing resident Eufemio Saiz on April 20 for DUI, while Martin Neri-Vega of Wilder was apprehended by Officer Andrew Arnold in March.

Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober sentenced both men.

For Neri-Vega, Grober ordered one year of probation and \$654 in fines and fees. The judge suspended the bulk of a six-month jail sentence and gave the defendant credit for two days served. Neri-Vega's driver's license was suspended for six months.

Saiz also pled guilty and received a similar sentence. Saiz, who received credit for two days served, also was ordered to serve 16 hours of community service and pay \$752 in fines and fees.

# Bystander arrested during probation check

A Middleton woman on probation for a 2009 felony drug conviction was arrested during a check for another person.

Teresa Lowise Jarvis, 36, was arrested at 10:22 p.m. on June 18 at a Marsing-area residence as District 3 Probation and Parole officer Michelle Babcock was checking on another probationer there.

Jarvis reportedly had methamphetamine in her purse. As a probationer, she was subject to a search even though she wasn't Babcock's focus, Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant said.

## OCSO makes felony warrant arrest

A man with a long criminal history remains jailed after his arrest on a \$100,000 warrant.

Sheriff's Deputy David Green arrested Scotty Bud Abbott on a felony warrant outside Homedale on the morning of June 17.

County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery charged Abbott with two felonies — receiving stolen property and malicious injury to property — in a May 31 filing.

# Grand View Days refreshes







# Grand View Days results

**Pole decorating contest** — 1. 4-H; 2. Faith Christian School; 3. US Bank

**Softball tournament** — 1. The Irrigators; 2. Simplot; 3. US Ecology

**AR-15 raffle winner** — Renee Allison

#### Counter-clockwise from top:

The Grand View Fire Department brought out the heavy artillery for the post-parade water fight Saturday.

Mylee Meyers and Taylor Magers ride horseback through Saturday's parade.

Scott Snyder flings a pitch toward the plate as Bije Lowe stands ready behind him.

Members of the winning softball tournament squad, The Irrigators, are all smiles as they watch the action from near their dugout. From left, Derrick Meyers, Devon Meyers Alberto Ontervouse, Nathan Hoeffer, Billy Mitchell and Randi.

Submitted photos



# band director before he starts new position

#### New hire takes Middleton job; other openings remain

After thinking a successor had been found, Homedale school officials are on the hunt for a music director again.

On June 10, school trustees hired Cord Breuer to take over the music program from Jessica Bohachek. A few days later, they learned the former Homedale High School percussion coach had apparently changed his mind and accepted the Middleton High School band director assignment.

"The board did hire that gentleman at the school board meeting on June 10," Homedale superintendent Rob Sauer said. "Contracts were being worked

"In the meantime, he had interviewed in Middleton and was offered the job."

Sauer said the school district was aware the Breuer was in the running for the Middleton job as well. Middleton assistant superintendent and personnel director Mike Friend said his district has made a contract offer, but no official action will be taken until a July 15 board meeting.

In the meantime, Homedale has started to find more candidates.

"We called individuals that are interested in applying and told them that the position is open," Sauer said.

The job opening was re-posted after Breuer's decision.

"(Selection committee members) had interviewed some other candidates, but we felt it had been a long enough delay that we could post it again," Sauer said.

Sauer said Bohachek's work

with the music program over the past three years may have shored up Homedale's reputation among prospective job applicants.

"There's no doubt in a lot of ways we feel like we're a training ground for other districts,' Sauer said. "At the same time, what Jessica has been able to accomplish with the program the last three years has made the position more desirable.

"People may feel that they will be walking into a program on the rise rather than building from scratch."

Sauer said the trustees hope to have a candidate selected for employment by their next meeting.

"There's no doubt the band (position), time-wise, is important because they have their band summer camp, and we want to have someone in place," Sauer

The Homedale School Board, which will include new trustees Shelley Shenk and Dwayne Fisher, meets at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 11. Typically the board meets on the second Monday of the month, but Sauer said trustees wanted to delay the meeting to allow enough time for the June bills to trickle in.

In other district employment developments, Sauer said three high school teaching positions

- two English and one History — have been filled.

Sauer said high school Science teacher Sarah Jamison has resigned to take advantage of a full scholarship that will allow her to complete her Master's degree in Biology.

School officials also will interview for a part-time agricultural education instructor as Lori Idsinga cuts her workload back to four periods per day.

— JPB

# Homedale loses school Fairgrounds lights, power updated

#### Board spends money to reopen midway restroom

Changes are afoot at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds.

Earlier this month, groundskeeper Leroy Ellis and Curt Callaway were busy replacing a broken water line on the midway.

But the work is going much deeper than the hole the two men had to dig to get the job done.

First-year fair board chair Lath Callaway, Curt's son and a Marsing resident, is overseeing infrastructure upgrades that will brighten the grounds and make life easier for the vendors when the fair comes around in August.

"I see a lot of things we can do around here," the second-year board member said. "It's a challenge, but I kind of enjoy doing it."

Callaway has been involved with the fair for more than 20 vears. He still has children — Wes and Wyatt Grim - who are involved in 4-H projects.

He understands what it takes to make the fair hum. The owner of trucking company and a custom harvesting outfit, Callaway donates his time and resources to make sure improvements are made.

"We try to fix it up the best we can and be considerate of tax dollars," he said.

Other improvements include new electrical and lighting projects that will make a difference for fairgoers and vendors alike during the Aug. 5-10 event.

There are new lights in the midway and more power outlets on the grounds so vendors won't have to use generators or string



Lath Callaway is a first-year fair board chair.

extension cords across walking paths to power food and merchandise booths.

The generator used to augment electricity availability is gone.

"I feel the upgrade on the power transmission was long overdue," Callaway said. "There were a lot of things we couldn't do because the power was so poor."

He speculates about \$20,000 has been spent on the upgrades.

Another \$10,000 was set aside in this year's budget to fix the midway restroom, which has been shuttered for the past two years.

"The old bathroom will be remodeled by fair (time) and back in operation," Callaway said.

The restroom and showers near the horse stalls will be open again this year, too. Efforts to replace that building continue.

Callaway praised the cooperation of other organizations that have a stake in the fairgrounds.

"The Lions Club is great for the things they do, and the improvements put in by the rodeo board are appreciated, too," he said.

Callaway acknowledged previous friction between the rodeo board and fair board, but said that the relationship has improved.

"There has been some bad blood between the rodeo board and the fair board, but we're all working together to try to make things better," he said.

The Lions Club will benefit from a widening of the back gate on the rodeo arena, making it easier to move cars and equipment into the area for the Fourth of July Demolition Derby.

— JPB

# Fair board meeting date, locale changed

Because the Owyhee County Fair Board's monthly meeting falls on July 4, the next meeting will take place Monday, July 8.

The meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. at the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office in Marsing, instead of the fair office.

Board members need the room as they interview

the four applicants who want to succeed Karen Edwards as the fair manager and board secretary.

The fair typically meets on the first Thursday of the month. In the spring and summer, the board gathers at the main office at the fairgrounds in Homedale. The meeting switches to 7 p.m. and moves to Marsing in the fall and winter.

# Family crimes investigator joins sheriff's office roster

#### New jailer, Grand View patrol deputy assigned

The anticipated grant wasn't received, but Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant has been given the go-ahead to hire a family crimes investigator.

The Board of County Commissioners approved Kent Heady for the part-time position. State Police. Heady, who according to Grant is a retired investigator out of Canyon County, will investigate sex crimes, domestic violence and child abuse cases when needed.

Grant had hoped to get a grant to fulfill one of his pre-election goals. He said Owyhee County didn't have the right demographics to earn the U.S. Department of Justice grant, which would have been administered by the Idaho

With the part-time position, Grant said he has flexibility.

"That slot is available for basically anybody I bring in to do this," Grant said. "(Heady) may not be the only one I bring in on an investigation."

Grant said he has the money in his payroll budget for the position, but he was just hoping to receive the grant for reimbursement.

While the family crimes investigator grant was refused, the sheriff's office still awaits word on its COPS grant application aimed at bringing a school resource office to the Marsing and Bruneau-Grand View districts.

If the grant is approved, the sheriff said he'll contact the respective school districts for further talks.

resource officer for both districts. Grant said with both sets of schools on four-day weeks, it's feasible for the one SRO to spent two days each week in each district.

Marsing students are in school Monday through Thursday, and Bruneau-Grand View holds classes Tuesday through Friday.

Grant doesn't foresee any conflict with the SRO grant Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller seeks.

"We both feel that we're both out front with the ability to pick up a grant," Grant said.

According to the Department of Justice website, grant awards are expected by Sept. 30.

In other personnel news, former Gooding County detention officer James Vail has been hired to

The plan is to have one school replace Zeb Baney. Baney left his jailer position with the county after being accepted to flight school in Florida, Grant said.

Vail, who Grant says is a certified detention officer, began his law enforcement career with Gooding County in 2009.

Former Bruneau-Grand View area patrol deputy Matthew Schwartz has transferred to a jailer position in Murphy.

He essentially is swapping jobs with Lawrence Kendrick, who leaves the jail to assume Schwartz's beat.

Grant said Kendrick, who is a Murphy resident, was hired in February. Kendrick still must achieve patrol certification in Idaho, but previously served with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department in California. — JPB

# Read all about it The Owyhee Avalanche 337-4681

# Looking back...

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

#### 25 years ago

#### June 29, 1988

#### 'Fabulous Firecracker Fiasco'

The "Fabulous Firecracker Fiasco," organized by the "Busch Leaguers" of the Jackson Food Stores chain, gets underway this Saturday with three days of sports activities scheduled over the Independence Day holiday weekend.

Ten-member teams of equal number of men and women will be competing in bowling matches, volleyball games, horseshoes, 1-pitch softball, 2-man raft races and an obstacle course event.

Saturday's competition will begin with a bowling tournament at 7 p.m. at the Owyhee Lanes in Homedale. Volleyball and horseshoe games will be staged at Riverside Park Sunday, starting at 2 p.m.

Monday, July 4, will find the competitors holding softball games at the Riverside site beginning at 10 a.m., followed by the raft races at the Homedale pool starting at 2 p.m.

The final obstacle course event will be staged at the fairgrounds at 5 p.m. as a preliminary to the Lions Club Demolition Derby.

Don Drum and Mike Matteson are co-chairmen of arrangements.

#### Winds, hail destroy property, crops

A sudden storm lasting less than 30 minutes hit the Homedale area late Sunday afternoon, inflicting scattered severe damage to crops through twister-like winds and pelting hail, and destroying or damaging property at several homes.

Along a stretch of Stateline Road, the storm appeared to hit with near-tornado force, uprooting several large trees and scattering the remnants of several destroyed structures for over a quarter-mile across fields and hills. Fields of corn and other crops in the area were shredded or washed out by the driving rain and walnut- to golf ball-sized hail that fell.

Power was knocked out in approximately 50 to 55 homes, mostly along Sage Road, but was restored by about 3:30 a.m. Monday, according to Joe Favinger, district manager at the Idaho Power Co. office in Homedale.

#### Melanie Cornell installed as JD honored queen

Melanie Cornell was installed Honored Queen of Bethel No. 31, Homedale, Idaho, on Sunday afternoon, June 5. Other officers installed were: Danita Orr, Senior Princess; Jean Masar, Junior Princess; Marci Carlston, Guide; Jenny Hohnstone, Marshall; Rikki Sergeant, Chaplain; Tonya Cobb, Treasurer; Jessica Uhlenkott, Recorder; and Denise Doughty, Amanda Uhlenkott and Cara Carson, Messengers.

Melanie chose "Festival of Roses" as her installation ceremony. Lori Itano served as installing Honored Queen. Other installing officers included: Tina Doughty, Sharon Huter, Vicki Volk, Hattie Titmus, Jan Sergeant, and Lee Ann Brackin. Narrator was Mary Jo Pottenger accompanied on the piano by Kristin Smyth. Dawn Ethington sang two solos during the ceremony. Melanie presented gifts to Dora Upton and Martha Titmus in appreciation of them as past bethel guardians.

Jennifer and Tara Cornell attended the guest book and Erica and Hilary Case handed out programs. Mr. Frank Mercer prepared and provided the invitations and programs.

#### Three place in FFA judging

Three members of the Homedale chapter of the Future Farmers of America, re-established at the high school last year for the first time in over 30 years, placed fifth in dairy cattle judging among 53 competing teams at the state FFA judging contest held in Moscow June 7-11.

Members of the team compiled individual scores of 230 for Eric Stansell, 237 for Kymm Wilson and 241 for Brenda Coons.

Following the receipt of their charter this spring, the FFA'ers elected the following as officers: Lance Gibson, president; Stansell, vice president; Coons, secretary; Patrick Stowell, treasurer and Will Pryor, reporter.

Their vo-ag teacher and chapter advisor at the high school is Joe Burrie of Melba.

#### 50 years ago

#### June 27, 1963

#### Post office announces new ZIP Code system

In an effort to speed up and streamline mail service the Post Office department is instituting a new system called ZIP Code.

Homedale's ZIP Code number is 83628.

ZIP Code is a five-digit distribution code designed to speed mail deliveries by cutting down on the steps now required to move a letter from sender to addressee. It will increase the utilization of electronic data processing equipment now used by publishers, direct mail advertisers, banks, insurance companies, and other large volume mailers in presorting mail.

Five-digit codes are now being assigned to mail processing and delivery units throughout the country. In less populated areas, the first three digits of the ZIP Code will identify the post office or delivery station. The code identifies delivery areas — not mail patrons — just as local zone numbers have done for more than 20 years.

By reducing the number of steps required in mail handling, and by cutting the time required to process letters, ZIP Code helps the department contain costs, and operate the postal system with increased efficiency.

#### Rain and hail storms pound Owyhee County

Storms poured wind-driven rain and hail on areas of Owyhee County last Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Hail and rain damage to crops was reported for the second consecutive day by farmers in Murphy vicinity.

While wind accompanied the rain, damage to trees and buildings was light.

Murphy returned to normal after Thursday night's high water. Sheriff Al Barberis estimated Rabbit Creek in Murphy was five feet deep about 10:30 p.m. Thursday.

At the Guffey turn on Highway 45, water was four feet deep during the Thursday night storm and traffic was stalled until 1 or 1:30 a.m., the sheriff added. Some of the highway's lower shoulder was washed away.

#### Lightning starts range fire near Homedale

Lightning caused a range fire west of Homedale near the William Nelson farm last Thursday that burned 160-165 acres of range.

Farmers and their families of the neighborhood assisted by a heavy shower had the blaze under control when the Bureau of Land Management trucks arrived from Vale, Ore. The BLM trucks and crew patrolled the area overnight.

#### Marsing readies school bond vote June 28

A \$235,000 school bond election will be held June 28 at Marsing seeking approval to build a junior high school and other improvements in District 363. A previous \$250,000 bond election January 8 failed.

The polls will be open in the high school math room from noon to 8 p.m.

In addition to the junior high school building, the construction program calls for a high school gym and remodeling of the present gym into science rooms and labs. Other improvements to schools in the district would be included.

#### Deputy Sheriff Ballou resigns

Deputy Sheriff Everett Ballou proffered his resignation June 10, and returned to his former job as Chief of Police at Marsing June 25, according to Sheriff Al Barberis.

New deputy sheriff will be Chas. J. Jurries, 44, of Vale, Ore., who will move to Murphy July 1.

Mr. Jurries has resigned as patrolman at Vale, a job he has held since February 23. He was born at Parma. He spent 3½ years in the armed forces. He is single.

#### Homedale locals

Dr. and Mrs. John Ingram and five children, Ithaca, N. Y., spent the weekend at the Rev. Irwin Alger home. Dr. Ingram is a professor at Cornell University.

#### 140 years ago

#### June 28, 1873

GOVERNMENT AID FOR THE TERRITORIES. It is anticipated that the delegates from the Territories will, at the next session of Congress, urge upon that body legislation of the most important character, for the West in general and the Territories in particular.

The first proposition is to establish a mineral department to be attached to the Interior office. This is to be in charge of a Commissioner and such other officers that may be necessary. All the mining districts are to have a proper representative for their mineral products, and generous space in all statistical chronicles. The idea is an excellent one, and if carried out will do good for the country. It is also understood that there will be presented to the next Congress statistics that cover the history of mining and irrigation throughout the world, embodying not only the mining law of the Territories, but that of irrigation also.

This, too, is a most important question, and one eminently proper to be brought before Congress. If that body can be induced to make liberal donations, to aid in organizing a system of general irrigation, it will be conferring a benefit upon the Territories, from which the entire Nation will reap the most substantial benefits.

We are glad to know these questions are to be agitated, and, we believe, by the united efforts of our Territorial delegations, Congress can be induced to make such appropriations as will insure a Government Mineral Department and a thorough system of irrigation. Such appropriations would not only meet the approbation of the entire people, but shortly place many sections of the West, now desolate and deserted, upon the high road to prosperity and development.

THE NEW SILVER TRADE DOLLAR. The Secretary of the Treasury and the Director of the Mint, Dr. H. R. Linderman, on the 18th inst, fixed upon the devices for the new silver trade dollar authorized by the Coinage Act of 1873, seven different sets of devices prepared by the Philadelphia Mint having been submitted. The one adopted has for its obverse a female figure, seated on a bale of cotton and extending the right hand, grasping an olive branch, toward the open sea. In the left hand is a scroll, bearing the word "Liberty," and at the base of the device is the motto, "In God we trust." The date of the coinage (1873) appears upon the obverse, together with the halo of thirteen stars. The reverse is the figure of an eagle, with the inscription, "E Pluribus Unum." The weight and fineness, with the words "Trade Dollar," are also appropriately inscribed on the reverse. The working dies have been commenced at the Philadelphia Mint, and the coins were expected to be ready in a few days. Already there has been deposited in New York upward of a million dollars to be exchanged for the new dollar, and this will be the first requisition filled. It is understood they will be shipped immediately to China and Japan.

WAGONTOWN ITEMS. We took a horseback ride to Wagontown last Wednesday afternoon, and found active preparations going on for the annual races, which are to come off on the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of next month.

Under Sheriff, J. D. Springer, has charge of the stables, and is training quite a number for races, among which are Old Ben, Gambler's Ghost, Charley-come-up, Humboldt, Tingley, and Eastman's mare Kate. They are all in good condition, and are exercised on the track three times a day — morning, noon and night.

A California horse has been training on the Jordan Valley track, and it is said that he will make it "mighty hot" for Old Ben.

There will be excellent accommodations for spectators. Ladies can amuse themselves with swinging, croquet, playing &c.

A great many Silver City and Fairview folks will undoubtedly go to Wagontown on the Fourth, and all can rest assured that they will have a good time.

A lively interest is being manifested in the coming races, and a large amount of money will doubtless change hands.

# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

# On the edge of common sense Boneless chicken

KFC, formerly Kentucky Fried Chicken, is one of a handful of fast food pioneers that changed the world's eating habits. For over 60 years, they have staked a claim on the cheapest meat commodity you can buy.

The chicken my children grew up on is vastly different from the chicken I ate as a boy. Both are equally nutritious, yet the new chicken is so much more convenient. I can remember cutting up the whole chicken and fighting over the parts! Nowadays eating a box of chicken nuggets is as simple as sticking coins in a soda pop machine.

KFC has now announced a new plan to make all their chicken boneless! I guess I assumed it was going to anyway. Their surveys show that 60 percent prefer it that way. The holdout is the popular "Big Bucket" that has real pieces of the carcass, bone-in.

There's a mind switch when I hear "boneless chicken." I'm reminded of the cartoonist Gary Larson's drawings of limp chickens laying about the barnyard. But if the market goes completely boneless, I can see poultry breeders embarking on a course of eliminating as many bones as possible from the live chicken. For instance, why do chickens have wings? They are as useless as arms on a Tyrannosaurus rex!

Another tact would be inventing an invertebrate chicken. It could have an exoskeleton like lobsters or big beetles. Or they could be planted like oysters in a shell or barnacles in a pier. How 'bout chicken meat in a shell like a five-pound egg? Basically an egg with a head. Easy to feed, easy to gather, easy to entertain. Or possibly a genetic combination of hen and fruit ... all natural. Imagine boneless chicken you could peel like a banana! We already have chickpeas, Chiclets chewing gum, chicken fried steak, Chicken of the Sea, Rooster Cogburn and Fryer Tuck ... why not Chickmelon? The possibilities are endless.

It's been a long time since I had fried chicken like Aunt Effie used to make. She used Crisco. I liked the heart and "second joint," as Mother called it. It had a flavor of its own. Now, it seems that chicken tastes like whatever you put on it, like feathered tofu.

Well, good luck, KFC. As I've always said, I eat all the eggs I can, it's one less chicken I have to contend with!

— Visit Baxter's Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise.



Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter

# From the Statehouse Civic virtue of volunteerism permeates Idaho's populace



If you've ever heard me speak or read something I've written, you likely have noticed the phrase "civic virtue" popping up from time to time. I use the term a lot because it captures so well what I see every day in communities throughout Idaho.

Civic virtue lacks the nationalistic connotations of "patriotism," but it also goes somewhat beyond the kind of active citizenship that impels people to vote, attend an occasional public meeting or even participate in charitable activities. Civic virtue speaks to a selfless commitment that involves devoting time, energy and resources to the larger and more inclusive needs of our society, and to a form of government truly of, by and for the people it serves.

Opportunities to express civic virtue abound in Idaho. In our state government alone, there are more than 200 boards and commissions that rely on volunteers to fill almost 1,500 mostly unpaid positions — from the Alfalfa and Clover Seed Commission to the Workforce Development Council. That's to say nothing of the many regional, county, city and even neighborhood associations, boards, commissions, councils and committees whose responsibilities are daily being met by men and women who simply want to do their part.

Volunteering with likeminded citizens for good and necessary causes is a long and cherished tradition extending throughout the United States and back to the foundations of our republic. French historian and philosopher Alexis de Tocqueville wrote in his landmark 1835 book "Democracy in America" that "Americans of all ages, all conditions, and all dispositions constantly form associations. ... I have often admired the extreme skill with which the inhabitants of the United States succeed in proposing a common object for the exertions of a great many men and in inducing them voluntarily to pursue it."

What's unique about Idaho — attributable in part to geography, culture and social disposition — is that so many of us volunteer so readily and cheerfully to bring our various talents to bear on what matters most to us, often at significant personal sacrifice. Nowhere is that more true than in our justice system. Local magistrate commissions, the Idaho Judicial Council and even our courts would be unable to perform their duties without the help of those who could instead be using their time and expertise for their own direct benefit.

Yes, our judges get paid. But in many if not most cases the attorneys who accept positions on the bench do so at the expense of far more lucrative ventures in the private or corporate practice of law. Of course, some do it at least in part for the professional and social prestige involved, but most seek to become judges for deeper, more personal reasons. They believe in the concept of justice. They love and respect the rule of law and its administration. They have civic virtue.

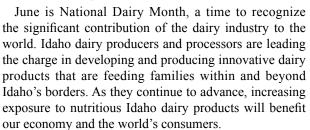
Right now, we are preparing to add three new district judge positions in the Third, Fourth and Seventh judicial districts to help carry the growing caseload in Idaho courts. The Idaho Judicial Council — another voluntary, unpaid panel — is required to nominate two to four people for each of those positions.

That could be a challenge. But I'm confident that the good people of Idaho, people who know that citizens reap the benefits as well as bear the costs of freedom, will respond as they do every day and in every corner of our state — with great civic virtue.

— Republican C. L. "Butch" Otter is in his second term as Idaho's governor. Previously, he served in the U.S. House of Representatives and as the state's lieutenant governor.

Sen. Mike Crapo

# From Washington Plenty to celebrate about Idaho during National Dairy Month



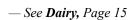
In addition to playing an important nutritional role, dairy production is a substantial contributor to our economy. Idaho milk production generates more than \$2.4 billion in cash receipts and helps support more than 23,000 jobs. More than \$294 million worth of Idaho dairy products are sold in international markets.

Dairy processing into cheese, yogurt and other dairy products enables Idaho to share its abundance with people across the nation and around the world. For example, Glanbia Foods is the largest American-style cheese manufacturer in the United States and one of the largest whey ingredient producers, and Chobani's award-winning Twin Falls Greek yogurt facility produces nearly 1 million cases of Greek yogurt per week. I had the opportunity recently to visit this facility that is the largest yogurt production facility in the world, employs approximately 600 full-time employees and processes between 2 and 2.5 million pounds of milk per day. The rapid growth of the company and ingenuity of its founder and chief executive

officer, Hamdi Ulukaya, who emigrated to America from Turkey nearly 20 years ago, have been the subject of recent news reports and international recognition. Fortune Magazine reported that Chobani is growing as fast as Silicon Valley giants Google and Facebook.

Working to increase opportunities for nutritious Idaho dairy products to reach more families is an important part of ensuring that more people have access to the nutritional benefits of Idaho agricultural products and helping ensure Idaho dairy production's continued growth and success. That is why I have been leading an effort with Sen. Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.) and members of the Idaho Congressional Delegation to encourage the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to include Greek yogurt in their recommendations for school nutrition programs

An announcement about a four-state pilot program to recommend Greek yogurt in schools could come by this fall. USDA indicated that a pilot program "will help test market demand for this product and help provide schools with an additional option to meet meal pattern requirements." The USDA decision to open school lunches to Greek yogurt is a win-win: Idaho dairy workers and management see the potential for a long-term and wider market; producers can realize ongoing and improving



# Commentary

# Financial management

# Don't let fund manager dictate your retirement investments

#### Dear Dave,

My husband and I are debt-free. Recently I learned that I have a blended fund for retirement. Do you think I should switch to selfchosen funds? I have \$26,000 invested at the moment.

- Marina

#### Dear Marina,

My advice is to move your money into self-chosen funds. The problem with blended funds is not that they are blended, but that they'll move it around based on your age and where they perceive you to be in life. You won't even realize it's happening. I want you to be a lot more intentional with your money and know what's happening every step of the way.



With self-chosen funds you can look at them and say, "Those are my funds." Then, if down the road you decide one isn't doing as well as you like, you can move the money to a different fund. With blended funds it's almost like having a babysitter for your money. You're not the one watching the kids, and to me that's a big mistake.

There shouldn't be a lot of fees inside your 401(k) when it comes

to trading funds. There's a good chance there won't be any fees at all, especially if you stay within the same company. Check into it, Marina, and talk to your human resources people. They can give you all the details.

Dave

#### Dear Dave,

My son has a \$115,000 mortgage at 5.8 percent. He also has a home equity line of credit of \$40,000 at 9 percent. Currently, he can get a 30-year loan at 3.5 percent, or a 15-year note at 2.75 percent. His take-home pay is between \$70,000 and \$80,000 a year, and these are his only debts. Should he combine the mortgages into one loan?

- Daniel

#### Dear Daniel,

First, I only recommend mortgages of 15 years or less. Now we're looking at a 2.75 percent loan versus a 5.8 percent loan versus a 9 percent loan. I advise people to put home equity loans under Baby Step 2 of my plan, which is pay off all debt except for the house, provided that the loan is less than half of your annual income. Based on the income figures you gave, this situation is kind of on the bubble.

If I were in your son's shoes, I'd probably combine the two loans and refinance. I'd go for a new \$155,000 fixed-rate mortgage at 2.75 percent, with no balloons and no calls. This kid can live a good life and get the mortgage paid off

pretty quickly with the kind of money he's making.

But if it's me, I'm getting as short a term as possible on a refinance maybe even a 10-year note instead of 15 years. Just imagine him getting all this knocked out and still having the majority of his life ahead of him. *That's* financial peace!

Dave

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

# **Americans for Limited Government**

# IRS scandal unites Republicans, independents, and tea party

by Rick Manning

Unintended consequences have a way of coming back to bite you, and the IRS targeting of conservative groups and contributors has done just that to the agenda-driven hard left in the Obama Administration.

Team Obama's political game plan for 2013 was to drive a wedge between so-called tea party Republicans and the much-despised Republicans In Name Only types, and it was working.

Karl Rove announced that he was going to work hard to ensure that those inconvenient tea party Republican primary voters would not mess up his plans to help more electable (read: liberal) candidates. Conservatives became more determined than ever that Rove and his ilk would not saddle them with nominees again after experiencing the "electable" twin presidential disasters of Romney and McCain.

A GOP civil war was brewing, and Democrats were just sitting back and laughing.

But a funny thing happened on the way to the 2014 Democratic victory celebration — Lois Lerner.

Lerner, the face of the IRS targeting of conservatives, has united Republicans along with a majority of Independents in a determination to stop a government that would stifle political speech using the most intimidating weapon in their arsenal — the tax man.

Republicans, who have been abysmal at being able to express messages in short, easy-to-understand terms, suddenly have an issue that everyone gets. No need to do a 200-slide PowerPoint to explain it. Everyone instinctively knows that a political agenda-driven IRS is unacceptable in a free society. It tears at the notion that our nation has fair and free elections unmarred by Third World-type government coercion.

Suddenly, rather than being the political pariahs that Team Obama intended, the tea party movement has been reinvigorated with a tough new face in True the Vote's Catherine Engelbrecht, who personally is staring down and defeating the combined weight of the IRS, OSHA, and other government enforcers who have tried to intimidate her into silence.

Contrast Engelbrecht, who refused to be bullied into victimhood by her government, to the IRS' Lois Lerner.

Lerner, who has been designated to take the fall for the targeting, has attempted to play the role of hapless innocent who was just doing her job.

Her Fifth Amendment plea before a House Committee may be a fine legal maneuver, but the irony of her relying upon constitutional protections after the targeting and abuse of citizen activists only serves to fuel the fire of disgust at the IRS' actions.

Now, both conservative and less-conservative Republicans have seen the enemy, and it is the face of an IRS bureaucrat pleading the Fifth after being involved in an attack on the fundamental principle of a politically neutral government.

The differences on how aggressive budget cuts should be remain. The debate over a choice to vote for higher taxes will be engaged. The argument over social policy difference will go on unabated.

But after the primary dust has settled, it will be much easier to pull various factions together around the common cause of electing a Congress that will hold accountable those responsible for abusing the public trust.

November 2014 is a long way away, but Obama's plan to divide and conquer the opposition party lies in tatters, and the end-justifies-the-means culture that he has propagated is to blame.

Certainly not the outcome Obama expected when he gave a verbal nod to the type of intimidation that the IRS engaged in when he excoriated the Supreme Court over the Citizen's United election law decision in his now infamous 2010 State of the Union address.

-Rick Manning (@rmanning957) is the Vice President of Public Policy and Communications for Americans for Limited Government

# √ **Dairy:** Idaho industry can help feed world's burgeoning population

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sales; and students can enjoy nutritious products made right here in Idaho.

The world's population is projected to increase by nearly 1 billion people by 2025. Idaho dairy producers and processors are continuously innovating and working to help meet the growing world demand for nutrientrich foods. As we celebrate the important contribution of the dairy industry, we must start here in Idaho and continually make progress in increasing access to Idaho dairy products.

- Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U.S. Senate. Crapo is in his third six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman. To view his responses to issues of interest, visit http://crapo. senate.gov.

# **Contacting elected officials**

#### Federal representatives

Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho)

Local office

251 E. Front St., Ste. 205 Boise, ID 83702

Phone — (208) 334-1776

Fax — (208) 334-9044 Washington, D.C., office

239 Dirksen Senate Building

Washington, DC 20510

Phone — (202) 224-6142

Fax — (202) 228-1375

Email — http://crapo.senate.gov/contact/email.cfm

Term expires 2016

#### Sen. Jim Risch (R-Idaho)

Local office

350 N. 9th St., Ste. 302

Boise, ID 83702

Phone — (208) 342-7985

Fax — (208) 343-2458

#### Washington, D.C., office

483 Russell Senate Office Bldg.

Washington, DC 20510

Phone — (202) 224-2752. Fax — (202) 224-2573

Email — http://risch.senate.gov/public/index.

cfm?p=Email

Term expires 2014

#### Rep. Raul Labrador (R-Idaho)

Local office

1115 Albany St.

Caldwell, ID 83605

Phone — (208) 454-5518

Fax — (208) 888-0894 (Meridian office)

Washington, D.C., office

1523 Longworth House Office Building

Washington, D.C. 20510

Phone — (202) 225-6611. Fax — (202) 225-3029

Email — https://labrador.house.gov/contact-me/

email-me

Term expires 2014

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#### SYNOPSIS OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES June 10, 2013

Approved Owyhee County Resolution 2013-20 Ratifying copier lease for Sheriff's office. Approved Catering permit for JC Landing and Salon Columbia Events Center. Approved pay authorization for Family Crimes Investigator in Sheriff's office. Approved pay authorizations for 2 part time flaggers for Road & Bridge #3.

Approved Intent to Use Funds for JABG FY2012 Grant.

Opened and reviewed bids for RFB for Solid Waste and approved taking the matter under advisement.

Executed the Idaho Sage Grouse Management Plans with Idaho Fish and Game for Juniper removal in the Jacks Creek Basin area and on the Payne property.

Approved payment to Gem State Communications out of the 2011 Homeland Security Grant monies to purchase new radios for the Homedale Police Department.

Approved payment to Intermountain Communications for narrow banding and reprogramming of radios for Silver City Fire.

Indigent and Charity Matters: Approved liens on case 2013-30 and 2013-31. Denied cases 2013-26 and 2013-29. Approved payment for cases 2013-17 and 2013-25

The complete minutes can be viewed online at owyheecounty. net or in the Clerk's office.

6/26/13

#### NOTICE OF CALL FOR **BIDS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that sealed bids will be received by the Board of Commissioners of Homedale Rural Fire Protection District, Homedale, Idaho for the purchase of one 1250 GPM Pumper Fire Truck with a 1000 gallon tank on a single axle chassis. Specifications for which are available from Mikeal D. Parker at 19 E Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho, 208-337-3271 between the hours of 8:00a.m. and 5:00p.m. Monday through Friday until the day of bid opening. Bids must be submitted on or before 5:00p.m. on July 10, 2013. Bids may be delivered in person or mailed to Mikeal D. Parker, P.O. Box 905, Homedale, Idaho 83628. Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. At the stated time and place, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

Mikeal D. Parker, Secretary/ Treasurer of Homedale Rural Fire Protection District

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#### NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

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#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-2013-02965 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CARMEN M. JESENKO, Deceased.

**OWYHEE** 

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate 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 presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 5th day of June,

/s/Paul Jesenko, 810 West Locust Lane, Nampa, ID 83686, 208-461-0837

RONALD P. RAINEY ISB#1022, Attorney at Law, PO Box 26, 110 North Ninth St, Caldwell, ID 83606. Phone 208-459-3659 Fax 208-459-9067, Attorney for Personal Representative

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#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV-2013-4922 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF **CANYON**

In the Matter of the Estate of DAN T. MORRIS, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

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

DATED: May 24 2013

SIGNED: Tom L. Morris, Personal Representative

Richard B. Eismann, Attorney for the Personal Representative, 3016 Caldwell Blvd, Nampa, ID 83651-6416

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#### HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED FEE SCHEDULE IMPLEMENTATION

**LEGAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** That on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 8 p.m. in the office of the Homedale Highway District, located at 102 East Colorado Avenue in Homedale, Idaho 83628, the Board of Commissioners of the Homedale Highway District will receive comments regarding the Board of Commissioners' intent to make a decision to establish the following proposed Fee Schedule Per Idaho Code 63-1311

In summary, the Board of Commissioners intends to establish the following proposed Fee Schedule: (proposed)

#### Fee Schedule Homedale Highway District

Homedale Highway District	
Subdivision Fees (1)	
Preliminary Plat	Actual, if any
•	after Final Plat
	Review
Improvement Drawing Review (Payable with Plan Submittal)	\$200.00 plus \$6.00
	per lot (2)
Final Plat Review (Payable with Final Plat Submittal)	\$300.00 plus \$6.00
	per lot (2)
Construction Phase (Payable at Preconstruction Meeting)	\$600.00 plus\$40.00
	per lot (2)
Testing	Actual cost
Application and Permit to use Right-of-Way (3) (Special Use Per	
(Administrative Fee and Deposit shall be separate, but payable at time	ne of application.)
Administrative Fee (4)	
Approach, Subdivision- 1 or 2 Residential Properties	\$50.00
Approach, Non-Subdivision - 1 or 2 Residential Properties	\$100.00

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Approach, Non-Subdivision - 1 or 2 Residential Properties	
Approach, Commercial & 3 or more Residential	\$150.00
Street Cut, Perpendicular to Roadway	\$150.00
Street Cut, Parallel to Roadway (5)	\$700.00plus\$1.00
	per foot
Utilities (6)	\$50.00
Other	Based on estimated
	construction, as
	determined by
	Highway District
Deposit (7) (Deposit Refundable upon satisfactory completion of work)	<i>y y</i>

Deposit (7) (Deposit Refundable upon satisfactory completion of work)	
Approach, Subdivision - 1 or 2 Residential Properties	\$200.00
Approach, Non-Subdivision - 1 or 2 Residential Properties	\$400.00
Approach, Commercial & 3 or more Residential	\$2,000.00
Street Cut, Perpendicular to Roadway	\$1,500.00
Street Cut, Parallel to Roadway (5)	\$15.00 per foot
Other	Based on estimated construction, as determined bY Highway District
<u>Variance</u>	

Other	construction, as determined bY Highway District
Variance	8,
Highway District Standards	\$550.00 plus any additional cost (8)
Setback (Section or Quarter Section Line)	\$150.00
Right-of-Way Vacation/Abandonment/	\$1600.00 plus any
<b>Dedications/Validation</b>	additional cost (8,9)
Right-of-Way Reclassification	\$550.00 plus any
•	additional cost (8)
House Moving Permits	\$5.00 plus any
	damage
Wide load Permits	\$5.00 plus any
	damage
Sign Installation Cost (per sign or Sign Post) (10)	\$75.00
No Spray Zones	·
Initial Application	\$25.00

Initial Application

\$10.00 Renewal **Highway Standards Manual** \$10.00, plus tax, if applicable **Fee Schedule Notes:** 

(1) For multi-Phase developments, complete Final Plat(s) and Improvement Drawings may be submitted for the entire development for review at one time and will be subject to review fees based on the total number of lots. If Final Plats and Improvement Drawings are submitted separately for each phase, review fees will be based on each phase as a separate development. Construction phase fees will apply to each individual phase of construction.

(2) Subdivision fees shall be based on buildable lots, and developer is responsible for Engineer review costs. Developer must inform potential lot purchaser of associated approach fees

(3) The Highway District reserves the option to increase this fee or deposit under special conditions. (4) Administrative fees for approaches, street cuts, or other work within the right-of-way for which construction commences without first obtaining a permit to use the right-of-way, shall be triple the amount otherwise required, and permit expires sixty (60) days from issue date. Work must be completed prior to

sixty (60) days, or deposit will forfeited unless other arrangements are made with Highway District.

(5) Administrative Fees and Deposits for, street cuts, parallel to centerline shall apply to off-site

roadway widening mand frontage improvements for subdivisions in other jurisdictions. (6) Utilities include power, gas, telecommunications, and cable.

(7) In lieu of deposit, major utility companies shall provide an annual Bond in the amount of \$7500.00 to the Homedale Highway District.

(8) Any additional costs will be charged at the actual amount above those included in the fee.

(9) Fee includes \$300.00 in legal costs and \$300.00 for public hearing advertisement. (10) Sign installation cost does not include sign and sign post assembly costs. Administrative permit applies at time of permit issuance for initial sign installation.

In addition to the above listed fees, the following Public Records Request Fees will be considered for implementation:

Certification Costs - \$1.00 per certification

Copying costs for over 100 pages @ \$0.15 per page Person hour charge @ \$25.00 per hour per person

And redaction costs for attorney review and redaction @ \$150.00

All persons are invited to attend the public hearing and to provide comment on the proposed fee schedule to be imposed.

DATED this 12th day of June, 2013

Terri Uria, Secretary

Homedale Highway Dist.

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# Public notices

SUMMONS BY
PUBLICATION
CASE NO. CV-2013-02826
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE

THE ESTATE OF GRANT R. DEMING and HOPE M. DEMING, husband and wife, Plaintiff,

VS.
FRANK BELVEDERE AND SPOUSE IF ANY, RALPH SCHRADER AND SPOUSE IF ANY, DONALD G. TUCKER AND SPOUSE IF ANY, FLOYD HUXFORD AND PATRICIA HUXFORD, husband and wife, JOHN AND JANE DOES I through X, and CORPORATIONS X, Y, AND Z, Defendants.

TO: FRANK BELVEDERE AND SPOUSE IF ANY, HUXFORD AND PATRICIA HUXFORD, husband and wife, JOHN AND JANE DOES I through X, and CORPORATIONS X. Y, AND Z

You have been sued by THE ESTATE OF GRANTR. DEMING and HOPE M. DEMING, husband and wife, the Plaintiff, in the Third Judicial District Court in and for Owyhee County, Idaho, Case No. CV-2013-02826.

The nature of the claim against you is for quiet title.

Any time after 20 days following the 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 property form, including the case number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at Post Office Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650, and telephone number (208) 495-2806, and served a copy of your response to the other party's attorney, Larry C. Ashcraft, whose mailing address and telephone number are: Post Office Box 506, Mountain Home, Idaho 83647 (208) 587-9797.

A copy of the Summons and Compliant can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court of Larry C. Ashcraft. If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the said District Court this 30th day of May, 2013.

Clerk of the District Court By Trina Aman, Deputy Clerk 6/12 19 26:7/3/13

# NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV2013-2961 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE MAGISTRATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of: LORINDA WALLERS, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against said deceased 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 presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, or filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 30 day of May, 2013.

/s/Samantha Meshack-Hart,

Personal Representative of the Estate of LORINDA WALLERS COFFEL LAW, P.C., 921 7th Street South, Nampa, ID 83651. Phone 208-466-0050 Fax 208-465-9956, Attorney for Petitioner

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#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: June 7, 2013 File No.: 7037.92094 Sale date and time (local time): October 7, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 5730 State Highway 55 Marsing, ID 83639 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: John Allen and Donna M. Allen Original trustee: Alliance Title & Escrow Corp Original beneficiary: Washington Mutual Bank fsb Recording date: 05/06/2004 Recorder's instrument number: 247681 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of June 7, 2013: \$54,372.57 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: A portion of the Southwest Quarter Southeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 3 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, and is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Southwest Quarter Southeast Quarter; thence North 89 degrees 18'36" West along the South boundary of said Southwest Quarter Southeast Quarter a distance of 340.28 feet to the True Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 89 degrees 18' 36" West along said South boundary a distance of 136.03 feet; thence North 00 degrees 35' 54" East parallel with the East boundary of said Southwest Quarter Southeast Quarter a distance of 320.24 feet; thence South 89 degrees 16' 16" East a distance of 136.03 feet; thence South 00 degrees 35' 54" West parallel with said East boundary a distance of 320.15 feet to the True Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7037.92094) 1002.250806-

File No. 6/26;7/3,10,17/13

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: May 29, 2013 File No.: 7023.96863 Sale date and time (local time): September 30, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee

County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 1911 Sunflower Lane 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: Estella A. Rockey, a single person Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company Original beneficiary: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Recording date: 02/27/2008 Recorder's instrument number: 264078 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of May 29, 2013: \$105,803.54 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 5 of Block 10 of Sunset Ranch Subdivision, part of the North half of the Southeast Quarter and the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 36, Township 4 North, Range 6 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.96863) 1002.249981-File No.

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#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: May 21, 2013 File No.: 7023.104844 Sale date and time (local time): September 24, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 153 N 1st Street Marsing, ID 83639 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: Morgan M. Searles, an unmarried person Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company Original beneficiary: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Inc. Recording date: 03/18/2002 Recorder's instrument number: 239015 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of May 21, 2013: \$38,007.82 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: Parcel I: A tract of land situated in a part of Government Lot 6, Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, City of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at an iron stake at the Northeast corner of Block 2 in the Gentry Subdivision in the Village of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence North 22 degrees 41' East a distance of 21.7 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 1 degrees 30' West along the West side of First Street in said Gentry Subdivision for a distance of 180.3 feet to an iron stake which is the True Point of Beginning; said point also being South 0 degrees 00'00" East a distance of 234.53 feet from the Northwest corner of Gentry Subdivision as set with a 3 inch diameter brass disk set by Davenport Engineers in 1950 for the City of Marsing; thence North 1 degree 30' West (also of record as North), 50 feet; thence South 88 degrees 30' West (also of record as West), 125 feet; thence South 1 degree 30' East (also of record as South), 50 feet; thence North 88 degrees 30' East (also of record as East), 125 feet to the True Point of Beginning. Parcel II: A tract of land situated in a part of Government Lot 6, Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, City of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho, and more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Gentry Subdivision said corner being monumented with a 3 inch diameter brass disk set by Davenport Engineers in 1950 for the City of Marsing; thence South 0 degree 00'00" East a distance of 174.53 feet along the Westerly boundary of said Gentry Subdivision to the True Point of Beginning; thence continueing South 0 degree 00'00" East a distance of 10.00 feet along the Westerly boundary of said Gentry Subdivision; thence perpendicular to the Westerly boundary of said Gentry Subdivision North 90 degrees 00'00" West a distance of 125.00 feet; thence North 26 degrees 30'46" East a distance of 11.17 feet; thence North 90 degrees 00'00" East a distance of 120.01 feet to the True Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.

northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.104844) 1002.249565-File No.

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#### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

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Homedale

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Sunday School 9:30am

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am

Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm

Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm

#### **Knight Community Church Grand View**

Pastor Ivan Shetler 630 Idaho Street 208-834-2639 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service 10:45am

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17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464

Sunday School 9:30 am

Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays

Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 5:30 pm

Wednesday CLC: 3:15 pm

### Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder

Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm

# Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church Caldwell

459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon

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#### Homedale Baptist Church

Homedale 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am-11am Sunday Worship 11am-Noon Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls

#### Wilder Church of God Wilder

205 A St. E, 469-7698 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm

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26515 Ustick Road 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00

#### MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY

Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español

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317 3rd st. Pastor Ramiro Reves 10 am Sunday School 482-7484 Bilingual

#### Marsing Church of Christ Marsing

932 Franklin, Marsing

Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am

#### Christian Church Homedale

110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45

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West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30

## Assembly of God Church Marsing

139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm

#### Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing

Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm

#### Nazarene Church Marsing

Pastor Bill O'Connoi 896-4184 12 2nd Avenue West

Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups

#### **Trinity Holiness Church** Homedale

119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm

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Sunday 1st Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop Jensen Sunday 2nd Ward, 12:30 p.m. Bishop Parry

#### Vision Community Church Marsing 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho

208-896-5407 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.

#### **United Methodist Church** Wilder

Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor Dave Raines Sunday Services 9:30am

#### First Presbyterian Church Homedale

320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am

#### Calvary Holiness Church Wilder

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# Fink: First elected more than 25 years ago

as well as the June 19 budget workshop.

Council president Dave Downum held the gavel in both meetings.

"Our thoughts are with his family right now," Downum said Sunday morning, adding that city business will continue uninterrupted.

An interim mayor will be appointed during Thursday's regular meeting, which begins at 6 p.m. inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Once appointed, the interim mayor could serve through the end of the year. The mayoral position would appear on the November ballot. The winner could begin a four-year term in January or the council could appoint him or her to the job immediately after the election.

Fink had presided via teleconference from his home over the first budget workshop on June 6.

Fink, who since 1980 had owned and operated Valley Machine Shop near the intersection of South Main Street and U.S. Highway 95, served four terms as mayor

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# Homedale to the rescue Mayor-elect, crewmen save Boise duck hunter

Paul Fink made headlines less than a month before he took office after the rescue of a duck hunter in December 1983.

from 1984 to 2000. Three men - Harold Puri, Hap Duryee and Ervin Gifford — filled the mayoral position in the four years before the gavel returned to Fink again for his fifth term in 2004.

Harold Wilson defeated Fink in a three-way race for the job in 2008, but Fink returned the favor in the 2012 election to win his sixth term.

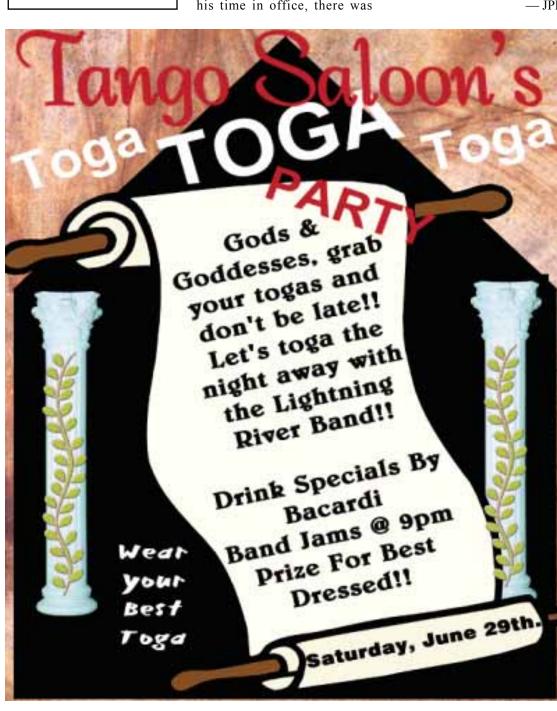
In all, Fink spent 21 years at City Hall. He had lived in Homedale for nearly 35 years.

His tenure was marked with controversy and triumph. During his time in office, there was

a recall effort and a criminal investigation, but there were also major infrastructure upgrades and industrial jobs added to the local economy.

Fink made headlines even before he took the oath of office when he piloted a boat that was used to rescue a duck hunter stranded in the Snake River in the weeks after his election.

Fink served on the Homedale Economic Task Force and the Ida-Ore Council. He was a former Homedale Police reservist and Chamber of Commerce member.



## √ **Bridge:** Official urges folks to remain cautious

own membership," Hoagland said of the ATV'ers. "There's a reason those things are up — for their safety."

The bridge's condition apparently has worsened since the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association's summer meeting last July. Silver City residents report the decking is now crumbling and holes developing on the surface.

Hoagland said that there are some rotting planks on the east end of the bridge.

Part of the plan is to place large ecology blocks, which are 2,700-pound cement blocks with rebar hooks in them, on either end of the span to provide abutments. Hoagland said the Idaho Transportation Department

will provide structural materials, while the decking has been purchased from Pruett Lumber in Homedale.

The county commissioner from Wilson said road crews are tied up for most of the summer with seal-coating in places such as

But, Hoagland said, there is a contingency plan to make sure the bridge is safe for foot traffic during the OCA summer convention. The ranchers will meet in the Silver City Schoolhouse on July 27.

"For Cattlemen's, some people in Silver City have some material left over from the Odd Fellows (project) to put down and walk across," Hoagland said.

# √ **Principal:** Departing boss spent 17 years in Homedale

as a principal," Sauer said.

"We truly appreciate all the time, hard work and effort and dedication that she has put in to make sure that the Homedale schools are the best they can possibly be."

Sauer said Asumendi-Mereness' contract with the Homedale School District has been completed. She starts the Caldwell job Monday.

"To me, it says that they felt like she was a very strong candidate," Sauer said of the Canyon County district's decision. "They had a skill set that they were looking for.

"She obviously worked with Superintendent Rosandick from Caldwell for a number of years, and he knew the talents she brings to the table and she works with him well."

The new job comes just six years after Asumendi-Mereness began her school administrator

"We're really very excited for her," Sauer said. "This is a great opportunity in her career."

Asumendi-Mereness moved from the classroom to the principal's office in 2007 when a selection committee this week. she succeeded longtime middle school chief Keith Field.

Before leaving HMS to succeed 14-year principal — Mike Williams — at the high school, Asumendi-Mereness was at the helm when the middle school earned National Blue Ribbon School status in 2011. The award recognized the middle school's dramatic gain in student achievement.

With Asumendi-Mereness at the helm, HHS received a \$40,000 Go On grant from the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation to help enhance post-secondary education opportunities for the school's students.

For the Homedale district, the opening comes at a time when administrators are busy trying to hire teachers for the next school year. Sauer said he will take over the interviewing process for high school positions in Asumendi-Mereness' absence.

"It's a little late, but we're confident we can get a number of strong applicants to apply for this position," Sauer said.

The job opening was posted Monday, and Sauer began forming

