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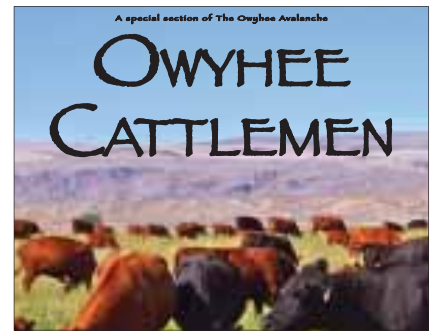
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Release of BLM proposal surprises Initiative board

Officials critical of agency's inability to give advance notice

Owyhee Initiative proponents were both unnerved and caught off-guard by a Bureau of Land Management press release last week.

Last Wednesday, the federal agency announced a proposal to amend the 1999 Owyhee Resource

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Legislation anniversaries magnify how feds have affected ranchers in past 80 years.

Management Plan (RMP) as the jumping-off point in a multi-layered process to follow through

with land exchanges between the BLM and Idaho Department of Lands.

At a scheduled Thursday meeting that grew tense at times, BLM Boise District officials caught the wrath of Initiative board members and county

commissioners who apparently were left out in the cold when it came time to communicate about the upcoming Federal Register notice to kick off a 30-day public comment period on

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Dream trip driven by desire to give back



Top: The odometer on the axle of the 1948 John Deere/1984 Peterbilt hybrid ("Johnabilt") reads 2,976 miles. **Above:** Ivan Stoltzfus turns onto West Idaho Avenue during his trip through Owyhee County. **Below:** Stoltzfus is scheduled to end his journey in Crescent City, Calif., on Aug. 9

Pa. man goes coast-to-coast for wounded veterans

Ivan Stoltzfus is taking his dad's advice and repaying a debt at the same time.

The 67-year-old Lancaster County, Pa., resident is in the home stretch of a cross-country trek by tractor that took him through Marsing and Homedale on Monday.

Driving a 1948 John Deere A, Stoltzfus has been raising

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Teachers wanted: Bruneau-Grand View back to three schools

School year starts on Aug. 19

Superintendent Dennis Wilson sees the possibility of strength emerging from the struggle that the Bruneau-Grand View School District is experiencing.

The school board reorganized Thursday and also set a course for the 2014-15 school year with three campuses in operation again.

Board chair Lori Bennett and vice-chair Howard Field will remain in those positions for the coming year.

The district also has set out to find people to fill about seven positions created when the elementary schools were reopened. Teachers must report to school on Aug. 12, a week before classes resume.

"There's a high demand for positions to be filled, but not as many candidates," Wilson said. "There are fewer candidates for jobs than in previous years, or they are becoming more particular about where they're going to (work)."

Four teachers, two secretaries and a cook are sought. Trustees

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No valuation appeal hearings this year

Clerk says only assessment appeal showed up late

The only property assessment appeal in Owyhee County was received after the filing deadline, an official said last week.

County Clerk Angela Barkell told the Board of County Commissioners that the appeal, which arrived in Murphy after

the June 23 deadline, came from a Murphy Hot Springs property owner.

With no appeals received, the BOCC will not convene as a Board of Equalization this year. Earlier this year, Assessor Brett Endicott said he was able to resolve most valuation questions or disputes over the phone with the affected property owners.

Meanwhile, figures released by

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Air bags deployed when the Saab hit the rear of a semi-trailer (background on right).

Woman slightly hurt in collision at U.S. 95-Idaho 55 junction

Juveniles injured in separate wrecks

A 47-year-old female received minor injuries when the car she was riding in clipped a semi-trailer. Stephanie Gulu was checked out by a Marsing Ambulance but wasn't transported after the July 14 wreck at the intersection of Idaho highway 55 and U.S. Highway 95. Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant said Gulu was the passenger in a Saab driven by 47-year-old Quipsa Mayorga of Ecu, Miss. The pair was heading northbound when their car hit a trailer hauling a piece of heavy equipment, damaging the trailer's ramp and spinning the Saab so it faced south. Grant said the wreck was still under investigation, and it was unknown if any citations would be issued.

Teen hurt on Idaho 51
A 15-year-old girl received minor injuries to her left hand and finger Friday when the red Dodge Charger in which she was a passenger left the roadway after colliding with a Chrysler Sebring. The Sebring driver, 20-year-old Allison Smith of Yakima, Wash., was cited for driving on the wrong side of the road. Grant said Smith told authorities that she had been driving all day and fell asleep and drifted into the northbound lane of Idaho 51 and hit the Charger, sending it down an embankment. Bruneau Quick Response Unit checked out the teenager at the scene and she was transported to St. Luke's in Mountain Home by a personal vehicle, Grant said.

Girl receives head injuries
Grant said a 14-year-old girl hurt in a dirt bike accident

Saturday outside Bruneau wasn't wearing a helmet. The sheriff said the girl was riding a motorcycle in the parking lot of the Cottonwood campground near C.J. Strike Reservoir when she lost control, crashed into rocks and struck her head. Air St. Luke's flew the girl to a Boise hospital, Grant said. No update on her condition was available Monday.

Boy, 5, hurt on ATV
A 5-year-old boy was taken to the hospital by personal vehicle Sunday evening after receiving injuries when the ATV he was riding flipped at Hemingway Butte. Grant said Melba Quick Response Unit was dispatched after the reporting party called from Dan's Ferry Service. No other details were available.

— JPB

Strange behavior leads to arrests

Two others booked on felony warrants

County law enforcement made two drug-related arrests in bizarre cases. On July 15, Homedale Police Officer Chris Jacob arrested 27-year-old Sarah Cegnar on misdemeanor and felony drug charges after he found her walking down Edison Road outside Marsing. Jacob responded to the call because Owyhee County Sheriff's Reservist Vern Tunnell was handling a non-injury wreck outside Homedale, Sheriff Perry Grant said. Owyhee County dispatch originally received a call of a 27-year-old out of control at a house on Edison Road. When he found Cegnar, Jacob determined she was possibly high on methamphetamine. After taking her into custody on the road, Jacob returned to Cegnar's residence and found paraphernalia that test positive for meth, Grant said. Cegnar was charged with one felony count of possession of a controlled substance and one misdemeanor count of possession of drug paraphernalia. Less than two hours earlier, a 27-year-old Boise man was arrested after he drove a rental car at a high rate of speed into a cornfield near Buntrock Road and Browns Lane outside Marsing. Grant said Daniel Derderian was arrested for felony possession of a controlled substance after authorities found substances on him that later tested positive for heroin and methamphetamine. "A witness said they watched him smoke meth and heroin," Grant said. When sheriff's deputies responded to a report of an intoxicated driver in a field, they

found Derderian and a wrecked white 2014 Chevrolet Malibu with Idaho plates. Grant said Derderian told deputies that he was traveling back from California. Grant said Derderian could also face a driving under the influence charge if tests come back positive. The sheriff said officials were unable to find a vein suitable for a blood draw, so a urine sample was taken.

Wanted teenager turns herself in
A 19-year-old Marsing resident turned herself in at Owyhee County Jail in Murphy on Thursday night after learning there was a warrant for her arrest, Grant said. Kayla Hardy has been charged with felony lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor. She also was served with a no-contact order when she showed up in Murphy.

Sprinkler head theft suspect arrested
A man wanted in connection with the theft of 300 pounds of brass sprinkler heads from a Davis Road location in Bruneau has been arrested. Elmore County Sheriff's deputies arrested Nathan Hopkins on a felony grand theft warrant Thursday night. Grant said Hopkins apparently tried to recycle the sprinklers in Mountain Home.

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Power outage affects about 900 in Marsing, Sunnyslope

Cause unknown in brief outage last Wednesday

More than 900 Idaho Power customers in the Marsing and Sunnyslope area lost power last Wednesday morning and a cause had not been identified. Idaho Power communications specialist Kevin Winslow said

the outage left area customers without power for about 41 minutes. The power shut off at 9:50 a.m. and power was restored at 10:31 a.m. Winslow said the power transmission lines “did exactly what they are supposed to do and shut off.” He said something such as a tree branch must have contacted the lines to result in the outage, but after company patrols in-

vestigated, nothing specific was found. “Something trips the breaker and the breaker opens, which results in loss of power,” he said. “We don’t have a cause listed,” Winslow said. 943 customers were without power along the Snake River in areas off Idaho highways 55 and 78. Power was out near Chicken Dinner Road., Marsing Road., and Symms Road. —KB

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First Gulf War Navy corpsman veteran Jim Adams of Wilder, right, thanks Ivan Stoltzfus for his cross-country effort.

✓ Driven: Raising awareness

awareness and money for wounded veterans with his Across America for Wounded Heroes trek. “What’s more important is the heart-to-heart talks with the veterans,” Stoltzfus said. “Some have driven three hours to thank me and talk. There’s no monetary value on that.” He travels with a Purple Heart given to him by wounded Afghanistan veteran Jeremy Jackson in Pennsylvania and the photos of two other servicemen who were killed in action. “I’ve always felt like I wanted to give back to my country, and as I got older, I always felt how I took my freedoms for granted,” Stoltzfus said. “I want to bring awareness to those who paid the ultimate price for my freedom.” He started April 26 with the rear tires of his “Johnabilt” — the tractor has a 1984 Peterbilt cab for

Stoltzfus’ comfort and protection from the elements — resting in the surf of the Atlantic Ocean in New Jersey. From Owyhee County, he drove into Oregon with plans to finish the trip Aug. 9 in Crescent City, Calif., with the Pacific Ocean lapping at the front tires of the tractor. He spent some time resting at the Riverhaven RV Park in Marsing before heading out again Monday. By the time he reached Homedale, Stoltzfus had racked up 2,976 miles. With the trip, Stoltzfus is heeding advice from his dad, Jonas, who would be 99 this year. “Dad said, ‘If you have a dream, don’t wait until you too old that you can’t do it,’” Ivan said. More information and trip coverage is available at www.HelpAmericanHeroes.com — JPB

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✓ Teachers: Grand View group moving forward with charter school bid

have cancelled plans for a bus route that was to be added in Bruneau when the schools were consolidated, but they still must hire a driver to replace one who left, Wilson said.

“We’re working to get everything up and going and working hard to have a great school year,” Wilson said.

The question of a one-year, \$600,000 supplemental levy will be on the Aug. 26 election ballot in an attempt to get the district through the school year.

The moves finalized Thursday night mean the infrastructure of tables and chairs and equipment moved from the elementary schools to Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School in anticipation of a one-campus system must be transferred back to Bruneau and Grand View.

Wilson isn’t worried about a lack of manpower to get the job done in time for the start of school.

“People are saying, ‘We’ll help you move everything,’ ” Wilson said. “The great thing about this area is they’re stepping up to say, ‘What can we do to help?’ ”

That sense of cooperation is a big reason Wilson is optimistic about the district’s future regardless of what many could see as a bleak outlook at the present.

He thinks the trials and tribulations the district and its patrons are enduring because of the failed levy elections and the on-and-off consolidation could strength the community and the district down the road.

“What we’re hearing is they need to come together as a whole group and really have a conversation as what is it they really want from their schools and what they want those schools to look like and what they are willing to do about it,” Wilson said. “So it’s creating some really good conversations that needs to happen.”

Patrons are willing to talk and act rather than sit back and complain. Wilson said some have volunteered to serve on a strategy committee to get the budget passed.

“People who are talking to me about this are saying they’re committed to have those conversations and work through and really set a direction that they want to see the schools going in the future and what it’s going to take to make that happen,” Wilson said.

“So there’s a strong possibility that this could unify the whole district here, and we could come out with a better school system.”

Still, there are factions of community members who are looking at alternatives.

In both Grand View and Bruneau, patrons have considered starting charter schools.

Wilson said Friday that the Bruneau group will put the charter school idea on hold as long as the town’s elementary school stays open.

The Grand View coalition is moving forward with their application to the State Department of Education, he said.

If the charter is approved, the charter school proponents would petition the Bruneau-Grand View trustees for sponsorship, Wilson said. If the school board refused, the group could seek similar support from the state Board of Education, Wilson said.

A spokesperson for the Grand View group said it is seeking a charter school as a long-term solution for education of the community’s children in light of the cycle of levies the district faces to survive.

No charter school would be in place until the 2015-16 school year at the earliest, Wilson said.

— JPB

✓ Valuations: Commercial property value up 3.2 percent

county Assessor Brett Endicott shows that property assessments were up in all three categories — residential, agricultural and commercial — between 2013 and 2014.

Endicott said figures he presented to the county commissioners did not include assessments for personal property or mineral rights.

The total valuation for residential and agricultural property rose by 1.3 percent each in 2014.

Residential property was assessed at \$236,018,318, an increase of more than \$3 million over 2013 valuations.

Ag land assessments increased more than \$2.86 million to \$222,337,947.

The rise in commercial property valuation was sharper at 3.2 percent over 2013. The 2014 value of commercial property set at \$56,282,495 or more than \$1.7 million more than a year ago.

— JPB

Corrections

The hometown of Kenneth Slack, who died in an automobile accident July 4, was incorrect in a July 9 article. Slack lived in Marsing.

A June 25 article on sturgeon poaching in the Snake River was incorrect. While the sturgeon population from Bliss Dam to C.J. Strike Reservoir benefits from good natural reproduction, the fish cannot be harvested. Sturgeon is protected by catch-and-release regulations throughout the state.



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Anniversaries reminders of ground ranchers have lost

Evolution of Wilderness Act, other laws have eroded Taylor Grazing Act’s effectiveness

This year marks milestone anniversaries for two pieces of legislation now interwoven with Owyhee County’s ranching culture.

Eighty years ago, the Taylor Grazing Act of 1934 aimed to protect public grazing lands from over-utilization and soil deterioration. The law established grazing rights and the agency that 12 years later would become part of the Bureau of Land Management.

Fifty years ago, the Wilderness Act — sponsored in the Senate by Idaho Democrat Frank Church — protected more than 9 million acres of federal land as pristine country. Millions more acres have been added in the subsequent decades, including the 517,000 acres of the Owyhee wilderness system.

Ranchers who cared about sustaining natural resources on the range supported the Taylor Grazing Act as a tool to preserve their way of life for future generations and create economic stability.

Owyhee County cattlemen got behind the Owyhee Initiative because it was seen as the only way to protect their way of life from the threat of monument or wilderness designation.

Today, both laws continue to trigger substantial changes in the everyday lives of the men and women who graze cattle here.

Regardless, those ranchers strive to get along with the ever-changing landscape in an effort to preserve their livelihood. At the same time, producers feel that federal land managers do not reciprocate that cooperation and flexibility.

Eight decades since the Taylor Act established grazing districts on 80 million acres of public land in 10 western states, ranchers for the most part feel the intent of the law has been turned upside-down by subsequent legislation, such as the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, which the BLM website says “pre-empted”

the Taylor Grazing Act.

FLPMA came about as federal legislators felt more pressure from a wide variety of recreationists to create a multiple-use philosophy on the range.

The Taylor Act has always been about conservation.

But what started as something supported and even regulated by ranchers is now seen as a bureaucracy cowering under litigious pressure from radical, anti-grazing environmentalists rather than cooperating with ranchers who manage the resource and protect sensitive habitat through stewardship.

The BLM website outlines principles that grew out of rules of agent conduct established by Richard Rutledge, the first director of the U.S. Grazing Service, which would eventually merge with the General Land Office and become the BLM in 1946.

Rutledge’s rules ranged from the self-reliance and community involvement embodied by the American rancher to the ideals that officials should always be fair to permittees and should serve the public and not the bureaucrats.

The BLM says the principles are the bedrock of the agency’s mission, but one would be hard-pressed to find many Owyhee County ranchers who believe today’s fleet of agents (range conservationists) still are in lockstep with Rutledge’s rules.

Missteps in range analysis, such as those the Board of County Commissioners has officially asserted happened in the areas involving the Owyhee 68 litigation and appeals, and the perception that federal officials are out of touch have led to mistrust between the cattlemen and the agency.

The county commissioners have taken steps to point out inconsistencies in the analysis of both range and riparian areas with the adoption of Dr. Chad Gibson’s

critique of how range cons’ allotment studies were flawed as based on 1999 terms and conditions for the Owyhee Resource Area.

Gibson’s Powerpoint presentation was shown to BLM Boise District manager Jim Fincher earlier this year.

Among the flaws the Gibson critique highlighted:

- Only annual measurement of stubble height in riparian areas, which doesn’t give an accurate idea of how the areas recover after cattle grazing seasons end.
- Inconsistent measurement of stubble height
- Counting areas grazed by elk and other animals, such as wild horses, in utilization analysis for cattle grazing
- Changes in measurement protocol that ensured permittees would be unable to meet terms and conditions

These elements led to radically different analyses, the report contends, and resulted in BLM conclusions that belie actual usage and put unattainable requirements on the ranchers.

Range scientists such as Gibson and Dr. Wayne Burkhardt have told cattlemen to keep their own photographic records to protect against inconsistent federal studies that could affect usage levels when 10-year grazing permits are renewed.

In the Owyhee 68 renewal process, ranchers’ appeals have been upheld after it was found that BLM personnel failed to consider range improvements in their analysis of permit applications.

That is only part of the contributions that ranchers feel have been ignored or downplayed by the BLM as well as environmentalists:

- Ranchers continue to work toward sage-grouse conservation. A livestock producer, Grand View’s Donna Bennett, chairs the Owyhee Local Working Group that is part of the effort, and Wilson’s Jerry Hoagland served on the task force that developed Gov. C. L. “Butch” Otter’s conservation plan to head-off the Endangered Species Act listing of the bird.

• Cattlemen also are active in the cooperative weed management area movement, which strives to protect natural resources by eliminating invasive species and trying to control cheatgrass, the spread of which can lead to wildland fires, degrade rangeland and close off allotments for years.

Ranchers contend a string of legislation beginning with the Wilderness Act and including FLPMA, the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act and Wild and Scenic Rivers law has eliminated their rights as permit-holders on public land.

Some ranchers see that the BLM spends time and resources dictating range policy and what livestock producers can and cannot do while having neither the manpower nor the money to regulate the conduct of public land recreationists.

The lack of resources, some say desire, to fight lengthy legal battles with radical environmentalists also has resulted in policy shifts that have proved harmful to the range, ranchers say. Fuel loads have increased as grazing opportunities have been squelched, resulting in large, hot and fast-moving fires that further exacerbate the situation because of the temporary closures range rehabilitation requires.

Those allotment restrictions in themselves bring up another thorn in the side of Owyhee County cattlemen — the Science Review element of the Owyhee Initiative that still has yet to fully materialize five years after President Obama signed the Omnibus Public Lands Management Act into law.

While Science Review is part of the Initiative agreement that became law in March 2009, Congress has yet to appropriate the funding to establish the program. Experts have deliberated test cases, papers have been written, but the portion of the Initiative that was developed in part to protect ranchers against what they perceived as whimsical BLM analysis and conclusion hasn’t become a true reality because of a lack of money.

— JPB

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✓ Initiative: RMP amendment deals only with 560-acre piece of land

the amendment and an associated environmental assessment (EA) that would change the classification of a 560-acre parcel in the western part of the county.

Owyhee Initiative chair Brenda Richards told BLM officials gathered inside McKeeth Hall in Murphy that she didn’t know about the Federal Register listing until she was bombarded with several emails and phone calls from concerned interested parties. Likewise, District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi questioned how a Federal Register listing, which takes 45 days to finalize, couldn’t have been discussed in one of the three coordination meetings BLM held with the county in the past month and a half.

“It would have been nice if

we’d been notified through the coordination process that it was coming out,” BOCC chair Joe Merrick said.

BLM Boise District spokesperson Heather Feeney said issuing a Federal Register notice is an “incredibly bureaucratic process” that includes gathering supporting documents and drafting a news release and that it “literally takes months no matter how simple the action that the basis of the notice is.”

“If we’re going to get to where we notify other agencies of all these different steps in this process, we become bogged down in quite a bit of notifications,” Feeney said.

The RMP amendment seeks to reclassify a 560-acre portion of

public land to make it available for disposal. Feeney said this is a necessary first step in a process to include the 560 acres in a larger 1,200-acre plot that is part of the more than 33,000 acres earmarked for exchange between the BLM and IDL.

“There’s nothing imminent happening,” Feeney said. “It’s the preliminary step of reclassifying the lands.”

The ultimate goal of the wide-ranging exchange is to shore up in-holdings and lands adjacent to the Owyhee Canyonlands Wilderness that are not already under BLM management.

Portions of the press release addressed the larger Owyhee Land Exchange, and Richards said that alarmed some Initiative

proponents who were left with the impression that the RMP amendment was more far-reaching than just reclassifying 560 acres.

Feeney said the BLM was trying to situate the reclassification in the larger context of the Owyhee Wilderness to catch the eyes of newspaper editors and reporters who may have otherwise “glazed it over.”

Richards also pointed out that the wording of the press release could give the mistaken impression that the Initiative board and county commissioners were in agreement with everything that the BLM is doing with regards to the Owyhee Wilderness.

“It put me and several other (Initiative) board members in a difficult position,” Richards

said. “It pounds away at a trust level.”

BLM Boise District manager Jim Fincher said that he had asked for the press release to be amended to eliminate that impression, but the changes weren’t made by the time the first release went out to the media.

Richards also said that the announcement of the RMP amendment comment period, which ends Aug. 15, was contrary to what was expected after a recent meeting involving federal and state officials regarding the exchange. She said that the last anyone knew the RMP amendment was on hold so the feds could work through the process with state and local authorities.

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Reminiscing Let’s go hiking!

by Stan Soran

Kathy and I went up to the cabin one spring in the early 1980s just for a weekend of goofing off and repairing the water system. Probably should have planned to goof off the entire weekend as repairing the water system was time completely wasted. That is, unless you count devising new ways to use duct tape, wire and clamps as time well spent.

Whenever a trip was planned to the mine, we would ask Uncle Bill if he needed anything hauled up. This time, he needed several sections of 10-foot pipe taken up, so we loaded them into the 8-foot bet of my pickup with the extra two feet hanging over the closed tailgate. At the time, we didn’t have a regulation cooler, so I picked up a couple of Styrofoam unites along with groceries, beer and ice.

Meals were usually basic affairs: bacon and eggs for breakfast, hot dogs for lunch and maybe a steak for dinner with watermelon, chips and other snacks.

Hard to figure how to get all the stuff in the truck with the awkward load of pipe. I put the heavier gear, spare tire and jack on top of the pipe in front to hold it down and the coolers and groceries in back between the pipe and the bed floor in the rear.

I go pretty slow in my old Chevy as 50 mph feels like driving a dumpster going 70 mph. It takes about an hour to get to Jordan Valley, then turn left for another half-hour on Pleasant Valley Road then turn left again.

That’s when how the load is packed becomes important.

The recent spring rains had made the road pretty bad. Bad enough that on one section I had Kathy get out and wait until I got to the top of the hill. At the last of the four gates, I had Kathy drive the pickup through while I closed it. Most of them are springy barbed-wire affairs with juniper branches for posts that

can be a bear, almost literally, to get closed.

When she drove by, I saw the soup that was our supplies draining out of the bed onto the bumper. Boy, what a mess. A mixture of watermelon, eggs, milk and Styrofoam. Good thing we were drinking our beer from cans AND that the refrigerator at the cabin still worked so we could have a cold beer while we contemplated the disaster that had befallen us.

We unloaded the pipe, sorted out what was left of our groceries and washed the goo out of the back of the pickup. Then it was time to check out the water system. Where to start? Let’s see, turn it on and it sprays everywhere. OK, never mind, let’s do something else.

I wanted Kathy to see the awesome view from the top of one of the mountains around the cabin. There is sort of a tilted mesa to the northwest and from it you can see the water tank in Jordan Valley, North Fork Canyon, the Steens Mountains, the lookout on South Mountain and all the stock ponds and roads for miles around.

The elevation at the cabin is about 5,200 feet. The top of the mountain was about 6,800 feet and is probably about a mile away from the front door of the bunkhouse if you walked in a straight line. Of course, walking in a straight line is impossible. The path goes a few yards one way and then a few yards the other advancing a few feet over rocks, draws, ridges and sagebrush. The closer to the top, the fewer the options as to the trails available and the steeper the climb. Nature has conveniently placed lots of sagebrush clumps to grab onto to pull yourself up. Choose wrong, and you will have to scale a 20-foot cliff to get to the top.

Kathy and I had only been married for a couple of years and she was still game for whatever adventure I suggested. Over the

years, that would change. The easiest way to climb this is from the west side where there is a gradual slope up to the top, but where’s the challenge in that? Always better to go straight at it. In choosing the direct path, I eventually got us to the 20-foot cliff mentioned above.

“Hmmm. Oh, look, Kathy, there’s a path right over here,” I said.

“To heck with you, a goat couldn’t walk on that trail,” she replied.

“Sure, just grab hold of this sagebrush right here. Don’t look down, that’ll make you dizzy.”

After some rather terse conversation, we made our way to the top.

What foresight for me, I brought a camera along. I took several postcard-ready pictures.

I know Kathy thought the view was everything I saw it would be, but just couldn’t bring herself to say so at the time. I don’t think she thought it was worth risking your life for, but noboby was seriously hurt.

After about 15 minutes of pointing out the sights she, er, we decided to head back down.

“OK, let’s go over this way,” I said. “It’s easier.”

“No thanks,” was her reply. “I’ll find my own way back.”

“Well, all right then, I’ll just follow along in case you need some directions.”

— Caldwell resident Stan Soran’s family has a long history of Owyhee County capers. Since the 1950s, the Soran Family has had a mine on Soldier Creek. Four generations and their friends have hiked, hunted, played, panned, partied, mined, built, burned and rebuilt at the “Cabin.”

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The 2014-15 Homedale FFA chapter officers are, counterclockwise from top right: Devin Fisher, president; Lance Eaton, vice-president of special events; Michael Lejardi, vice-president; Samantha Woods, treasurer; Jennifer Bautista, reporter; Riley Haun and Lindsey McRae, historians; Garrett Carter, sentinel; and Madison Fisher, secretary. Submitted photo

New advisor leads Homedale FFA’s officer retreat

by Jennifer Bautista
chapter reporter

The Homedale FFA chapter officers got the opportunity to get to know each other better and work as a team when they went on their annual officer retreat July 11-13 in Cascade.

Accompanied by new chapter advisor Sue Poland, the officers set off for Cascade early on the morning of July 11 to start a new adventure.

After bringing Ms. Poland up to speed, the officer team had numerous team-building exercises and icebreakers as a way of getting to know one another better and finding out how they would all work as a team.

The 2014-15 officers include president Devin Fisher, vice-president Michael Lejardi, vice-president of special events Lance Eaton, secretary Madison Fisher, treasurer Samantha Woods, reporter Jennifer Bautista, historians Lindsey McRae and Riley Haun,

and sentinel Garrett Carter.

With the help of their new advisor, the nine officers began to develop the coming year’s program of activities, focusing on improving the development of the student, chapter, and community. At one point, each officer had to share their own individual and chapter goals with the team as well as give an extemporany speech of their own.

Each meal was prepared by a different officer or group of officers during the three-day retreat.

In between planning and organizing the upcoming year’s events, the officer team got a break and went on a rafting trip.

By the end of the retreat, the officers had successfully planned out the calendar for the year and developed a budget.

The nine officers are looking forward to representing their chapter and helping the new advisor learn the ropes of the Homedale FFA chapter.

Story Time deals with a demanding cat

The classic of a the finicky feline will be told at Friday’s Story Time at the Homedale Public Library.

“If You Give a Cat a Cupcake” by Laura Numeroff will be read during the 10:15 a.m. event at the library, which is located 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

It starts with a cupcake, and the story goes through all the other things a cat will want.

In addition to the story, there will be crafts, singing and snacks.

For more information, call the library at 337-4228.

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



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JOHN JAMES “JACK” MONROE, 63, of Marsing, died Saturday, July 12, 2014, at home. A memorial was held on Saturday, July 19, 2014 in Caldwell. Arrangements are under the direction of the Nampa Funeral Home, Yraguen Chapel. (208) 442-8171

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School districts plan registration

Marsing, Homedale and
Bruneau-Grand View
set dates and times

School districts in Owyhee County will hold student registration in the coming weeks.

Marsing students can register for the coming school year next Wednesday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursday, July 31, from noon to 7 p.m. at the Marsing High School cafeteria.

A representative from Southwest District Health will be on hand during registration to administer booster shots for all school-aged children.

Students should bring the following documentation:

- Birth certificates
 - Immunization records
 - Legal documentation of any guardianship issues the school needs to be aware of.
- Marsing district offices will reopen on July 28 at 8 a.m. If parents have any questions please contact any of the schools by calling 896-4111.
- Registration for the Homedale schools will be held on the following days:
- Aug. 11, for kindergarten through fourth grade, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the elementary school.

- Aug. 12, for fifth through eighth grade and new students, from 9 a.m. to noon. at the middle school.
 - Aug. 14, for Homedale High School students, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the high school.
- The Bruneau-Grand View School District will hold registration beginning on Tuesday, Aug. 5, and continuing each day through Saturday, Aug. 9, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Parents and students can go to any of the three schools to register.
- Bruneau Elementary, Grand View Elementary and Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High schools will all be open for registration. For more information, call the school district at (208) 834-2260.
- KB

Calendar

Today

No events scheduled

Thursday

Blood pressure clinic

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

Senior center exercise class

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

Friday

Story Time

10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228, afternoons Monday through Saturday

Percifield Memorial Softball Tournament

5 p.m., Marsing High School

Saturday

Pioneer Day Celebration

8 a.m. to 1 p.m., car show, pancake breakfast, Homedale LDS church, 708 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (909) 240-3767

Homedale Farmers Market

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

Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association annual meeting

9 a.m., Silver City Schoolhouse, Silver City

Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association dinner

6 p.m., \$12 adults, \$5 ages 11 and younger, Silver City

Percifield Memorial Softball Tournament

7 a.m., games; 7:30 p.m., home run derby, Marsing High School

Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association dance

9 p.m., \$7 per person, \$12 per couple, Silver City

Sunday

Percifield Memorial Softball Tournament

7 a.m., games, Marsing High School

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State

Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

Tuesday

Senior center exercise class

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

Community potluck dinner

6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Centennial Park, Grand View

Wednesday, July 30

Owyhee County P&Z public hearing

10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex Building, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2095, ext. 2

Thursday, July 31

Senior center exercise class

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

Friday, Aug. 1

Story Time

10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228, afternoons Monday through Saturday

Saturday, Aug. 2

Homedale Farmers Market

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

Monday, Aug. 4

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

Book club for adults


7 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Tuesday, Aug. 5

Senior center exercise class

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

Owyhee
Then & Now



Michael F. Hanley

Owyhee Graffiti, Vol. 1

Hogs (Mike Hanley III)

I can’t think of a bigger disappointment for a ranch boy than to find that he can’t go to cow camp with the buckaroos.

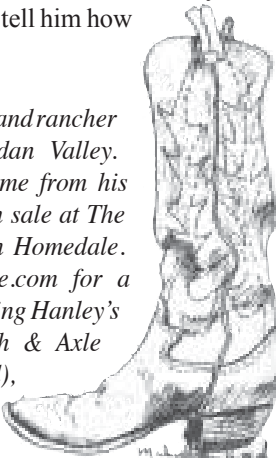
When my father was a boy growing up on the Butte Creek Ranch in Southern Oregon, he had a chore that really bugged him. There are a lot of scrub oak in the area and the winters are mild. The first settlers brought the hogs and ran them outside, the year around. Natural selection made this a hearty and beachy breed. After they had fattened on acorns, they were driven into traps much as mustangers captured mustangs in Eastern Oregon.

My dad, a teenager at the time, wanted to go to the mountains and buckaroo with the rest of the outfit, but his father told him he had to stay home and mind the hogs. Hanleys had gotten rid of most of their hogs because as my dad said, “They were a pain in the rear.” One neighbor easily filled the gap in the pig population, though, and when he ran low on feed he’d pull out a rail on Hanley’s fence and let his hogs in.

On leaving, my granddad told my dad, “Mikey, when you take care of the hogs, you can come on up.” My dad said he got to thinking about the order and recalled that his dad hadn’t actually said how he wanted him to take care of the hogs.

“I got my .22 rifle and chased the hogs to the hole in the fence. When they jumped through, I tried to put a bullet between the first and second rib, and I got pretty good at it. I couldn’t get all of them out of the field, so I ran them horseback until they were hotter than heck and then ran them into Butte Creek. Well, that took care of the hogs, and I went up to camp. The neighbor came up madder than heck and father said, ‘I told Mikey to take care of the hogs, but I didn’t tell him how to do it.’”

— 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

- July 23: Baked fish, potatoes, broccoli, bread – milk
- July 24: Baked chicken noodles – gravy, peas & carrots, bread - milk
- July 29: Spaghetti & meat sauce, green beans, bread – milk
- July 30: BBQ pork, fries, carrots, bread – milk
- July 31: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, Calif. blend veggies, bread - milk

Rimrock Senior Center

- July 24: Shepherd’s pie w/beef, tossed salad, mandarin oranges, cake
- July 29: Spaghetti w/sauce, tossed salad, broccoli, fruit salad, garlic bread
- July 31: Pork roast w/gravy, garlic potatoes, steamed carrots, pears, pudding

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

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

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Homedale Senior Center raffle returns

Romona Andrus shows off the nine-patch quilt she has made for the Homedale Senior Center's annual Buckaroo Breakfast raffle. The winning ticket will be drawn on Saturday, Aug. 9, the last day of the Owyhee County Fair. Call 337-3020 for information on buying tickets. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

Friends of E. Owyhee County Library forms

Group to promote library through fundraising, volunteer work

The coordinator of the Rimrock Senior Center wants to do more than just her job. She wants to help out the library, too.

Kathy Chick of Grand View is forming a Friends of the Library group for the Eastern Owyhee County Library.

From 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, the library is sponsoring a potluck dinner at Centennial Park. The community is invited, and information about the Friends group will be available.

The purpose of the group, according to Chick, would be "to help promote the library in the community, the district, and the state; to assist with fundraising for the library; to assist with programming for the library; and to make available volunteer workers as needed by the library."

Chick said recently that she has had the idea for a long time, and has finally decided to do something about it. She recalls having the desire for a group during her 20 years working at the library.

"I had some terrific employees who did great public relations and office work, but looking for extra funds, planning and running programs or doing anything extra was usually on my plate," Chick said.

As a library employee, she was not able to organize a friends group, so now that she is retired from the library, she wants to help out the new director Tammy Gray by initiating the group this

summer. This spring, she retired from the library director position and assumed her new position at the senior center.

"I am trying to get this done for the new director," she said.

Chick has gathered about 15 people who are interested in forming a group, but there have been difficulties getting people to come to meetings. She is working on obtaining non-profit status for the new group. Chick and her small group have written the by-laws, but they are in the process of voting on officers.

The new Friends of the Library group usually meets on the third Tuesday of each month. The group met Thursday to elect officers and approve the bylaws. Next month, the group will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 19, at 7 p.m.

Chick has been coming up with creative ideas to get more people interested. One idea she has is to give each meeting a "theme." July's these is "beach party at the library—no beach but water fun."

The friends group is open to any adult, whether they live in the Grand View area or not.

"We accept those out of the library district, alumni of the schools in the district, businesses, generous-in-time-or-money people, anyone willing to help the group in any positive way," Chick said.

Anyone interested in being a member of the Friend of the Library group can attend the meetings or call Kathy at (208) 832-1949. The group is planning to start a Facebook account and a blog in the near future.

—KB

Food bank could cancel Arock Harvest Share

Another stop planned Thursday as officials worry about low turnout

The July Rural Harvest Share programs heads to the Jordan Valley area with possible changes on the horizon.

Oregon Food Bank Southeast Oregon Services branch manager Peter Lawson reports that one of the stops could be discontinued if the participation level doesn't expand.

"If we do not begin to see a big increase in the number of produce-only program participants in Arock, we will be reassessing and possibly discontinuing that effort effective in September," Lawson wrote in an email announcing the next free, first-come, first-served program installment.

Lawson said that, on average, only two or three Arock house-

holds are helped each month.

The Harvest Share program brings locally grown produce to the Jordan Valley and Arock communities on a monthly basis. The program is free and, unlike other Oregon Food Bank programs, has no eligibility requirements.

Lawson urged folks to get the word out about the program in their community.

The next Rural Harvest Share stop at the W.W. Jones Elementary School in Arock is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Thursday. Harvest Share also will be available at 11:15 a.m. in Jordan Valley at the Lions Hall.

OFB-Southeast Oregon Services staffers also will be on hand for a shift at the Jordan Valley Community Mobile Food Pantry at the Lions Hall from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Income eligibility requirements do apply for the food pantry.

For more information on the OFB-Southeast Oregon Services programs, call (541) 889-9206.

Adrian High reunions set

Adrian High School graduates are holding a pair of reunions.

At 7 p.m. Friday, the Classes of 1974 and 1975 hold a 40-year reunion potluck at the home of Larry and Kathy Price in Adrian. Bring your own yard chair.

The reunion continues with a no-host dinner at 7 p.m. on Saturday at the Moxie Java and Tango Saloon at the corner of Industrial Road and U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale.

At 11 a.m. Saturday, the Adrian High School All-Alumni Reunion potluck will be held at the Adrian schools cafeteria, 305 Owyhee St.

JV student on Dean's List

Caleb Cunningham, a Jordan Valley resident majoring in Philosophy, has made the Franciscan University Dean's List.

The son of Ron and Nancy Cunningham just completed his sophomore year at the Steubenville, Ohio, university.

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FARMERS MARKET



A customer browses through plants and home-baked goodies at Bette Uda City Park on Saturday.

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Denise Sukkar of Parma's Periwinkle Farms holds a bag of apricots.



Left: Anna Minor of Homedale shows off her hand-crocheted pillowcases.



Kirsten Mast sells produce and baked goods. Submitted photo

Homedale woman, sons operate booth at Farmers Market each weekend

Zucchini muffins and chocolate pumpkin bread are popular items

Kirsten Mast has transformed a gardening and baking hobby into regular income to support her three boys' school activities.

She and her sons Spencer, 17, Andrew, 11, and Sam, 6, have become a familiar part of the Homedale Farmers Market with their table full of goodies.

The Market operates every Saturday at Bette Uda City Park all summer from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Kirsten and her sons sell a variety of produce and baked goods, including gluten-free cakes, breads, cookies, herbs, berries and eggs.

Last year they called the business "Spencer's Produce." This year, they are selling less produce and more specialty baked goods, so she and her boys are trying to come up with a new name.

"This has been a real blessing," Kirsten said. "It's so much fun to be in the park and get to know more people."

She said sometimes people become isolated in their lives because they belong to different churches and are segregated in to old and young age groups, but the park on Saturday is filled with a mix of people of all ages and groups, she said.

Her son, Spencer, will be a senior this fall at Homedale High School, and he plays in the percussion section of the band. He will be section leader during the next school year.

Kirsten joined the Farmers Market with the motivation that her children could help out and learn something about retail sales, giving correct change, and knowing the costs of operating a business. She also wanted to make some extra dough, and she has done exactly that.

Last year, most of her earnings helped fund band costs. This year, she is putting extra money toward karate lessons for Spencer and Andrew.

"It's really been worth the extra time spent during the week to prepare the goods," she said.

She has seen her table full of goods bring in anywhere from \$60 to \$80 dollars per week, which has helped tremendously by paying for band clothing, shoes, etc.

Last year, she figures she spent around \$200 for band costs, and she was also able to save about \$800, which paid for refinishing her kitchen floor.

"It's been really good to be part of the market and it's also been fun," she said. "I love that all the money made there goes directly to the Homedale schools. It's going to a place that matters."

This year, her produce level has dropped significantly, because of some water problems caused by broken valves, so she just ended up making more sweet breads.

All of her items sold at the market are made with all-natural ingredients and food she has grown in her garden. She and her husband, Neil, have a small acreage on the north side of the city where they raise vegetables, rabbits and goats.

Some of the top-selling items are a chocolate and pumpkin bread, zucchini muffins, and gluten-free cookies.

Kirsten learned to bake from her mother, who emigrated to the U.S. from Denmark. Pastry was one thing her mother specialized in.

She grew up moving all around the country because her dad was in the military. She has lived in Alabama, Colorado, Maryland, Virginia and Texas. She has seen a lot of places and says that she and her husband "picked Idaho" to live in. He grew up in Oregon.

"I really like the independent attitude that people here have, and that communities are important," she said. People tend to leave their neighbors alone, but are close at hand when needed, she said.

—KB



Back to School Registration

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Thursday, July 31, 2014 12:00 Noon – 7:00 pm

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The school offices will re-open July 28 at 8:00 a.m. If you have any questions please contact your respective schools any time after July 28.

Thank you!

* A representative from Southwest District Health will be on site to administer booster shots for all school aged children.

Homedale Assembly of God welcomes interim pastor

Rev. James Dunn, wife Sherry on the job since May

The Homedale Assembly of God Church is experiencing a change of leadership.

The Rev. George Greenwood and his wife Liz retired from the ministry in February, and a new interim pastor and his wife have been in the role since May.

The Greenwoods were church pastors for eight years.

The interim pastor is the Rev. James Dunn. He and his wife Sherry, of Caldwell, will serve the community at the church until a permanent pastor can be found in the coming months. The congregation of the church, which was founded in 1944, is currently small with about 20 members, but in previous years had grown to more than 100 members, Rev. Dunn said.

The Duns recently retired from the Living Waters Worship Center in Caldwell.

Dunn served for 25 years as the men’s ministries director for the Southern Idaho Assemblies of God and is currently serving as the Light for The Lost Director for that organization.

He has been the senior pastor of three churches and the interim pastor of eight churches during his ministerial career.

The couple have done extensive traveling around the world and have lived and worked in a variety of capacities in their lives.

“God has been good to us,” Sherry said.

Dunn said he has always had the “heart of a pastor,” and a church is “only as strong as its relationships.” He feels that different kinds of life experiences have helped him understand and relate to people.

The reverend feels that Homedale is a “choice place to live,” for many young families. The couple is inviting the public to visit the church, located at 15 W. Owyhee Ave., and get acquainted with them.

The Rev. Dunn would like people to know first of all that “they will be loved and received as they are,” and second, “that no matter what age they are, the future is more important than the past.”

He sees his pastor role as one who can “encourage people to discover how unique and gifted they are.”

His philosophy it to live “as if Christ is coming today.”

Some things the Rev. Dunn enjoys talking about include what it means to be a child of God, the power of worship, and how men should treat their wives with respect.

The Rev. Dunn and his wife have enjoyed traveling to many foreign countries, especially to historical

places of biblical significance. They say it has been an amazing historical journey, as well as a spiritual one. Seeing the major sites and the geography of places in Israel, Jordan, Bethlehem, and Egypt have given them a “whole new perspective and insight” into biblical stories, the Rev. Dunn said.

“It has brought the scriptures to life, and made them real,” Sherry said.

Some of the highlights of their trips were climbing Mount Sinai in the 1990s with a church group, visiting the birthplace of Jesus, seeing the Shepherds’ Fields of Jordan, visiting the Red Sea, seeing the Valley of the Shadow of Death, and the Mount of the Beatitudes.

A few other highlights were when they spoke at national church conferences in Cuba and visited a remote Maasai village in Kenya, and visiting the Cairo Museum in Egypt.

The Rev. Dunn has also spoken at numerous churches throughout Idaho and the U.S., and at the church’s largest men’s retreat about 10 years ago and attended by 700 men in McCall.

The Homedale Assembly of God Church services are held at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. A children’s service is held following



The Rev. James Dunn and his wife, Sherry, represent new leadership at Homedale’s Assembly of God Church. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

the Sunday service. On Sunday evenings, the church holds a 6 p.m. discussion of the church’s core values, mission and vision. An adult bible study is also held on Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

For more information contact the Rev. Dunn at 459-4065 or 250-4608.

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Avalanche Sports

Percifield Memorial tournament takes over Marsing again

Forty coed softball teams descend on Marsing High School this weekend for the annual Percifield Memorial Tournament.

JW Chadez, who coordinates the tournament with his wife Amy, said 84 games will be staged between Friday and Sunday. Teams come from throughout Southwest Idaho, and there also are squads from La Grande, Ore., and Lakeview, Wash., this year.

The four championship teams from last year are back for the 30th annual tournament named for brothers Tim and Mike Percifield. The tournament was first staged as the Marsing Coed Softball Tournament in 1983.

Games start at 5 p.m. Friday at MHS and at 7 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday. The championship round will begin about 4 p.m. Sunday, Chadez said.

All of the 2013 championship teams are back, with the lower-division squads moving up.

Bear's Bombers won the A Division title last year and will battle Band of Buds, which was promoted after winning the B Division crown a year ago. C champion The Pack moved up to the B Division, and D champions Not a Chance will compete in the C Division.

After Sunday's championship games, awards are handed out.

In addition to player awards, organizers also give special awards named for Kim Panzeri, J.R. Kent and Chris Salove.

The Panzeri award goes to the best overall player in the tournament. It has been awarded since 1991 in memory of a tournament participant who died at 19 years old in a car accident.

The Kent award is given to a big tournament supporter each year. Kent died in 2011.

The Salove award, named for the community-minded businessman who died a week before the 2012 tournament, goes to a person who goes above and beyond to provide for the tournament.

A fourth award, named for Elias Villanueva, goes to the winner of the annual home run derby. The derby, which attracts more than 20 competitors, will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday. Chadez said a women's division would be added if enough participants pay the \$5 entry fee. Half the prize money goes to the champion, while the rest goes toward the fundraiser.

Chadez said umpires donate \$5 from each of their game checks to the cause, too.

Last year's tournament netted more than \$10,000 to help several sports endeavors in Marsing.

The primary focus is providing equipment for Marsing Rec youth baseball and softball, but previous years' proceeds have also helped build a visitors' dugout at the MHS baseball field and cover dugouts on MHS softball Field 2.

The tournament has helped high school athletic programs, and some money has been used to sponsor athletes at football camps.

Another big fundraising element is the donation board. For \$50, individuals or business owners are entered into a drawing. Prizes this year include an autographed jersey and football from Chicago Bears linebacker Shea McClellin, a Marsing High and Percifield tournament alum.

— JPB

Owyhee County Rodeo entries open next week

Entries for the Owyhee County Rodeo open next week.

The books for the Idaho Cowboys Association professional rodeo will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday. Call (208) 845-2051 to enter.

Cowboys and cowgirls can enter events for the local rodeo beginning next Wednesday.

The books will be open from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. next Wednesday and from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursday, July 31. Call (208) 337-3666 to enter.

Local events include mutton busting for ages 5-7, steer riding (ages 8-13), wild cow milking, the wild

horse race and local team roping.

ICA events include bareback, saddle bronc, bull riding, calf roping, steer wrestling, team roping, barrel racing, breakaway roping and ranch bronc riding.

Slack starts at 9 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 3 followed by jackpot roping.

Performances held at 7 each night begin Wednesday, Aug. 6 and culminate with the championship short-go on Saturday, Aug. 9.

Jacky King is in her first year as secretary for the Owyhee County Rodeo. She takes over from Keri Garrett, who retired after last year's event.



Above: Homedale's Bo Pickett gets ready to complete his tie-down roping run in the first go-round on July 15. Below: Marsing bareback rider Austin Williams competes in the first go-round on July 14. Photos by NHSRA / David Jennings

Austin Williams narrowly misses national rodeo title

Three locals reach Saturday's finals

Three Owyhee competitors finished in the top 20 in Saturday's National High School Finals Rodeo short go.

Marsing graduate Austin Williams missed the bareback national championship by five points after the championship round in Rock Springs, Wyo.

The two-time state champion scored a 68 in Saturday's short-go, but couldn't catch Mandan, N.D.'s Logan Berg, who was second in the championship round with a 73-point ride.

Homedale's Bo Pickett finished eighth in the tie-down roping average after having the 10th-fastest time in Saturday's short go.

Melba's Janey Reeves — the 2014 Owyhee County Rodeo scholarship recipient — was 20th in Saturday's short go in breakaway roping.

The top 20 competitors in each event qualified for Saturday's championship round after two go-rounds earlier in the week.

Williams got off to a strong start in the bareback competition. During the first go-round, he notched a 74-point ride. Berg won



the first go-round with a 77.

In the second go-round, Williams tied for the fourth-best ride with a 69, while Berg slipped to 10th with a 66.

Pickett shook off a middle-of-the-pack showing in the first go to reach the short go with an 8.88-second run in the second round. During championship Saturday, Pickett roped his calf in 11.34 and finished with a three-head total of 31.51.

A student in Melba, Reeves qualified for the nationals in breakaway roping and goat tying.

She got off to a slow start with a 3.26 effort in the breakaway first go; she was 49th in goat tying at 9.58.

But Reeves rallied with a 3.16 in the second go for breakaway roping to reach the short go, where she had a 6.42.

Bull rider Ricky Sullivan of Nampa and Jordan Valley's Nick Eiguren, who rode with Candida Eldridge in team roping, weren't listed in results posted on the NHSFR website. Sullivan failed to score on his two rides, and Eiguren and Eldridge didn't post a time in their go-rounds.

FOCUS ON FAIR

Owyhee County Fair Aug. 4-9

Stories by Karen Bresnahan

Morgan Nash, age 17,
Homedale FFA and Shoo-Fly 4-H

Morgan Nash, 17, is a member of the Homedale High School FFA and a former member of Shoo-Fly 4-H club. She is the daughter of Leslie and Steve Nash. Her mother is a project leader for the club, which is managed by Rachael Criffield. Morgan has two sisters, Aubrey, 20, and Kendall, 14. Aubrey is a junior at the University of Idaho, majoring in child development and psychology. Kendall will be a freshman at Homedale High School next year and is active in 4-H.

Morgan will be a senior next year at HHS. She has been a member of FFA for the past four years and was active in 4-H before that for about 10 years.

She joined 4-H at the age of 4, and has done both sheep and beef projects. She says being in 4-H has taught her how to raise and care for animals, and “an appreciation for where food comes from.” She values her time in 4-H and FFA because of all the interviews and demonstrations that have given her “life skills” that she will use in the future.

One of the things Morgan enjoys about 4-H and FFA activities is that “they require a lot of family time.”

Her favorite part of raising animals is “showing at the fair.”

“I like hanging out with my friends for a whole week and showing the animals,” she said.

A highlight of her younger years

came in 2006, at the age of 10. She placed third at the Owyhee County Fair in the novice division with one of the first lambs she raised. Morgan has had two other grand champion market lambs.

In 2011, her lamb was supreme grand champion market lamb, supreme champion breeding ewe, and Morgan won overall supreme champion showman. The lamb was 143 pounds and named, “Tippy.”

At last year’s fair, she had the grand champion market lamb, which was also bred and raised from her family’s own flock, and was champion senior showman.

Several years ago, Morgan had an opportunity to help out a young girl in the 4-H club. The girl was nervous and crying about having to make a demonstration in front of the judges, so Morgan went into the arena with her.

“It was kinda fun for me to be the one



Morgan Nash at her family’s ranch located north of Homedale. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

that could help her out,” Morgan said.

Showing sheep at fair can be challenging because they are handled “bare-handed,” she said. Unlike other animals, halters are not used, so handling sheep requires a little muscle, she said.

Raising and showing lambs is not an easy task, according to Leslie.

“Lambs are one of the hardest animals to handle during shows, and they have to be kept cool and comfortable,” she said.

Leslie said she has enjoyed spending time as a project leader.

“I feel like I am learning right along beside the kids,” she said.

Leslie feels that 4-H is valuable for any kid.

“It’s such a good program and great for molding children into young adults,” she said. “The emphasis is never on winning ribbons, but on learning important skills that they take with them in life.”

Leslie said she never realized how important 4-H was when she was growing up, but now she appreciates how much she has gained from it.

Kiana Quintero, age 11, South Mountain Cowboys 4-H, South Mountain Livestock 4-H

Eleven-year-old Kiana Quintero is a natural with animals. She is the daughter of Mike and Sheila Quintero of Jordan Valley. She has brothers, Zeke, 13, and Alek, 23. Zeke is also in 4-H and has a pig project. Her dad, Mike Quintero is the fire chief and the football coach at Jordan Valley High School.

Kiana belongs to two 4-H clubs, the South Mountain Cowboys 4-H and the South Mountain Livestock 4-H. She will show a horse and a lamb at this year’s Owyhee County Fair.

When Kiana was 4 years old, she was riding horses. On one occasion, her mother was having difficulty getting the horses into a trailer.

“I remember saying, ‘Lord, what do I do now?,’” Sheila recalls. Then Kiana said, “Mom, let me try.”

She was only 5 years old and loaded them right in with no problem, Sheila said.

“She loves all the animals and spends a lot of time taking care of them, like watering, feeding, grooming and cleaning up,” Sheila said.

“And when she learns about the animals, she remembers what she hears and can tell it to other people.”

Sheila describes her daughter as very competitive and athletic and “pretty talented” with all her animals. She takes care of a horse, a steer, a lamb, a dog and a guinea

pig.

After handling a beef project for three years, Kiana said to her mother, “Mom, I want something more that I can handle.”

So, after that, Kiana got her horse, “Britches,” a quarter horse and part paint.

“She’s mostly white with some brown patches,” Kiana said.

Kiana enjoys taking care of a horse “because they will actually listen to you.” She said her horse likes to stay home, and doesn’t like to be alone.

“When Britches gets around a lot of people she gets nervous and moves around alot, so that’s why I thought she’d be a good barrel racing horse,” Kiana said.

“I like being in 4-H because I like competing,” she said. “I like to show my horse. I joined 4-H because I used to know an older girl that I looked up to and she had a horse.”

In 2012, at the Owyhee County Fair, Kiana had an amazing year, when showing both her horse and beef.

She was all around champion in the Junior 1 horse division, and was junior champion beef showman, and received the top junior



Kiana Quintero with “Patches” near her Jordan Valley home. Submitted photo

1 livestock judging award.

That same year, she also won the Idaho Cattle Association’s Proud Cattlemen’s Award for her beef. The award is given to her by the Beef Superintendent, and is a once-in-a-lifetime award for sportsmanship, citizenship, and caring for the product.

Kiana has competed in both the Jordan Valley Junior Rodeo and the Big Loop Rodeo since she was 6. Last year she placed fifth in barrel racing at the Big Loop and won several buckles at the JVJR for barrel racing, pole

bending and flags.

4-H has been a good way for Kiana to learn to speak in front of people, Sheila said. Another important thing about 4-H is that it teaches kids to “learn to volunteer their time in the community,” Sheila said.

4-H members sell programs at the Big Loop, and do other things like painting playground equipment at the park. “It broadens their horizons,” Sheila said.

Kiana is also raising a lamb this year, so she will have two 4-H projects at the fair. Her lamb is a

ewe named “Uwanda.” She likes taking care of a lamb because it is smaller and “way easier to handle, and when they step on you, it doesn’t hurt as much.”

Kiana enjoys going to the fair because she gets to compete with her animals and “it’s a good week of camping” in the family trailer.

Taking care of her animals makes Kiana feel needed by them. “I like the fact that they look up to me like I’m their parent. I love to handle them and gentle them down.”

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
Stupid is as stupid does

In the movie “Forrest Gump,” the hero is a nice man with a low IQ, whose simplistic reasoning usually made sense. His response to anyone who called him stupid was to say, “Stupid is as stupid does.”

My interpretation of that phrase is, “You don’t have to be stupid to be stupid.” One can have a high IQ and still be stupid. Which leads me into my observation that we in America have the “luxury to be stupid.” And we seem to take advantage of that freedom on a regular basis regarding the Endangered Species Act (ESA), for instance. Another idealistic dream gone septic. Remember the Snail Darter?

Extremists have used and continue to use the goofiest reasoning to achieve their goals, which usually means: If something is productive and people make money from it, it must be evil. And the most unbelievable thing is that the appointed government regulators cower to the lunatics.

When the ESA was conceived, it was a well-intended way to preserve certain species of animals and plants. But it has been subverted into a blind, clumsy, slobbering dinosaur controlled by extremists intent on driving Americans from public and private land. It is done in the guise of “protecting” a species. These enviro-terrorists have thrown up a wall of legal riprap that blocks any consideration of economic impact or common sense in the discussion.

The famous spotted owl fiasco put 90 percent of Oregon’s federal forests off limits to logging. Northern California became Appalachia. They have never recovered. Twenty-five years since the owl’s devastation began, the population of the spotted owl has continued to decline and not a single enviro-looney has said they were wrong. They take no responsibility for the atrocity the “Spotted Owl” has wrought. And the Dodo birds just keep moving along.

The Klamath water project in Oregon began in the 1930s. The rivers and lakes became a symbol of American ingenuity and progress. In the 1970s, the Indians and enviros wanted the Ag community shut down. The Indian tribe’s mechanism was the coho salmon. The enviros and their lawyers found two species of suckerfish. To prove the sucker was endangered and different from the millions of other suckers around the country, they found a minute DNA difference, making it specific to the manmade Klamath ditch in which they hatched. During the drought of 2001, the deferral court judge cut off water to 1,400 farms and 90 percent of the valley’s farmland, devastating the whole Klamath eco system. His explanation ... “The need to protect imperiled fish outweighed the economic needs of farmers.”

You don’t have to be stupid to be stupid.

In the Sacramento Bay Delta Plan, envirofites have chosen the Delta Smelt as its next weapon to take land out of production and turn it back into wetland. They think nothing of the destruction of a good chunk of California’s farming bounty. Greater Prairie Chickens, the Silvery Minnow, Casey’s June Bug and the Hay Springs Amphipod are among thousands of potential symbols for the cause. They’ll never run out.

ESA leaves no room for reasonable compromise. They use their ability to destroy and trample on their victims. They, like the EPA, are dictators and legal thugs. This disregard for the people’s rights demands a slap upside the head.

Panda.org estimates up to 10,000 species go extinct every year. Name one.

Saving the species can’t be all or none. Common sense and economic impact have to be factors. We do have the luxury to be selective ... but not to be stupid. Just ask Forrest Gump.

Reader’s opinion
Canadians share some Americans’ frustrations with Obama administration

by Michael F. Hanley IV

My wife Linda and I joined a tour on the Canadian Transcontinental Railroad for two weeks in May. After spending three days at Niagara Falls, we went by bus to Toronto and boarded a passenger train equipped with 1950-era cars. This is the busiest route in North America with container and tank cars going east and west. Freight trains have priority, so we spent considerable time on side tracks.

Miles of boreal forest with swamp and beaver lodges through Ontario and Manitoba were followed by the prairies of Saskatchewan and Alberta. The magnitude of construction over wetlands, prairies and mountains is a testament to the engineers and laborers who built it.

Spending time at Banff National Park in the Canadian Rockies was an experience never to be forgotten. Glaciers and not-so-wild animals abound. The prevailing species was the legions of tourists being shepherded from one attraction to the next.

The British Columbia segment of the line was equipped with additional dome cars and smoother track. We spent a day in Vancouver then flew to Portland and on to Boise.

I recalled the other time we Hanleys visited Canada. As an observant 7-year-old, I stated, “Mom, the people look just like us.”

“What did you expect them to look like?” she asked.

I couldn’t answer, but on this more recent trip not only did they look like us, but they shared the same concerns.

On our TV news, we seldom have anything about Canada, but they cover us extensively. A native told me, “We used to look up to you, but now you are throwing it away.”

In Toronto, I was asked what I thought of their Mayor Rob Ford. I heard he cut taxes, and it was evident the economy was booming because of the many construction cranes on tall and taller buildings. I also offered that I would trade our president for his mayor, but he just laughed.

In Alberta, another asked what I thought of our president’s failure to authorize the pipeline to the Gulf Coast. Crude oil from tar sands is being shipped at great expense and danger to terminals on both coasts. The pipeline would be beneficial to both countries.

“All I know,” I told him. “Were I president, I would authorize construction immediately.”

In her critique of my comments, Linda observed, “With you, everything comes down to politics.”

She is right, and so was the Canadian.

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Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington
EPA’s proposed rule threatens property rights, economy



As hot summer temperatures are upon us, access to abundant, clean water becomes more acute. This is especially true in western states, such as Idaho, where efforts are ongoing to balance the ever-growing pressures on our water resources. This requires balancing drinking water and food production water requirements with maintaining water for municipalities, wildlife habitat and the recreation that makes living in Idaho so enjoyable. Under our constitutional system, the states, not the federal government, have always had primary jurisdiction over the allocation, management and use of water. The federal government’s jurisdiction has been limited under the Clean Water Act (CWA) to navigable waters.

Now, in an unjustified manner, the federal government is seeking to assert primary jurisdiction over all waters of the United States. In March, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) proposed a rule revising the definition of “waters of the United States” under the federal CWA. If made final, the EPA’s action would significantly expand federal authority, allowing the agency to regulate nearly every stream, ditch, pond, puddle and other local water bodies. This move threatens the nation’s economy by placing onerous burdens on farming operations and small businesses. It also would encroach on a private landowner’s ability to utilize their property. Most importantly, this proposed action undermines states’ constitutional sovereignty regarding jurisdiction over water.

Protecting water quality and our natural wetlands must be a priority, but expanding federal control over our water is unacceptable. The EPA and the Corps state that the effort intends to provide greater clarification of which water bodies are subject to federal regulation under the CWA. However, this proposal is nothing short of a complete federal jurisdictional grab. It will create greater uncertainty and litigation.

The March rule is one more layer of the administration’s ongoing attempt to broaden federal jurisdiction over

our waters. This jurisdictional claim was previously attempted by the EPA and Corps and rejected by the U.S. Supreme Court, which confirmed that federal Clean Water Act jurisdiction must be based on a clear connection to “navigable waters.” Then, in 2009, proponents tried to achieve this jurisdictional expansion by statute. I placed a hold on the bill, signaling my intention to filibuster, and we stopped it in the U.S. Senate. Now, the EPA and the Corps are trying to do it through a proposed new regulation.

Concerns have been raised every step of the way. I have joined Senate colleagues in opposing the expansion and urging the administration to change course. As part of our most recent efforts, in June, a coalition of senators, including fellow Republican Idaho Sen. Jim Risch, and I introduced legislation that would prohibit the EPA and the Corps from finalizing the proposed rule. Thirty-six senators co-sponsored this legislation, S. 2496, the Protecting Water and Property Rights Act of 2014, sponsored by Sen. John Barrasso (R-Wyo.). Making the most of opportunities to advance this bill, I have and will continue to work with my colleagues to attach this important legislation to bills under consideration by the full Senate, such as our most recent attempt to file the legislation as an amendment to the Bipartisan Sportsmen’s Act of 2014.

Ensuring clean, safe water is essential. However, overregulation is not the answer. This overreach sets a dangerous precedent. This attempt to exert authority over water outside the scope of the CWA is an assault on private property rights and state sovereignty. It also puts our economy and family farms in jeopardy. I will continue to work with my colleagues in Congress to utilize opportunities to prevent this excessive step.

— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho’s senior member of the U.S. Senate. He is in his third six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.

Commentary

Financial management

Be as aggressive with student loans as any other debt

Dear Dave,

I have a very large amount of student loan debt. Where would that go in your Baby Steps plan?

— Jade

Dear Jade,

Baby Step 2 is where you pay off all debt except for your house. The fact that it's a large amount of student loan debt doesn't change anything.

Hopefully, with your very large amount of student loan debt, you also have a very large income. Believe it or not, there are some really sad situations out there where people have gone \$200,000 into debt for a four-year degree in a field where they make \$50,000 a year. That kind of thinking and behavior is ridiculous, but it's

out there.

Whatever you do, Jade, don't treat this student loan debt as if it were a mortgage. In other words, don't let it hang around for years and years and years. You've got to get focused and intense about paying off this mess and getting on with your life.

Remember, your income is your largest wealth-building tool. You can't save and plan for the future when all your money is flying out the door to pay back debt!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

My mom is 71 and debt-free. She's investing \$600 a month in a universal life insurance policy worth \$250,000 because she wants to leave something behind



DAVE Says
by Dave Ramsey • www.davesays.org

when she dies. What could she invest this money in, other than the life insurance policy, in order to leave an estate?

— Steve

Dear Steve,

This is a good question. You don't use life insurance to leave an estate. It's a bad idea. You leave an estate by saving and investing. The only people who will tell you to use a life insurance policy to leave an estate are life insurance salesmen.

Unless she's ill, I wouldn't keep the policy. Instead, I'd do some long-term investing. It won't take long to get to \$250,000 with \$7,200 a year. It's the kind of thing that *sounds* like it'll take forever, but you've got to remember you've got growth and interest in the equation. I wouldn't put money into a life insurance policy at age 71, unless there's someone being left behind who really needs the money — and it doesn't sound like there is in this case.

It would probably take about

13 years for the money to turn into \$250,000. Assuming she's healthy, I'd rather do that and bet on her living. That way, she can leave an estate and avoid the expense and rip-off part of the universal life policy.

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey has authored five New York Times best-selling books: Financial Peace, More Than Enough, The Total Money Makeover, EntreLeadership and Smart Money Smart Kids. His newest best-seller, Smart Money Smart Kids, was written with his daughter Rachel Cruze, and recently debuted at No. 1. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations.

Americans for Limited Government Proposed HUD grant rule could affect local zoning laws

by Robert Romano

“What better way to give a boost to the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Act and the remaking of American neighborhoods than to start injecting illegal immigrant populations into targeted cities and towns in the suburbs all across the country?”

That was national radio talk show host Rush Limbaugh commenting on a Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulation, “Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing.”

“The concept, as it is properly understood, is to change the enforcement paradigm in order to allow the Department of Housing and Urban Development to essentially decide what every neighborhood in America should look like,” Limbaugh explained.

Limbaugh is right.

Under the regulation, in October the Obama administration will be empowered to condition eligibility for community development block grants on redrawing zoning maps to create evenly distributed neighborhoods based on racial composition and income.

In 2012, HUD dispersed about \$3.8 billion of these grants to almost 1,200 municipalities.

And, apparently, if the National Council of La Raza is to be believed, the new rule will help millions of illegal immigrants resettle in communities across the U.S. According to La Raza's comment in favor of the regulation, “Hispanic families often do not know their housing rights and have cited fear of deportation as reason for not reporting rights violations.”

In the meantime, a trial run for implementing the rulemaking has already begun in Westchester County, N.Y., Limbaugh noted.

“You people in Westchester County in New York know exactly what I'm talking about because there is a huge

lawsuit going on right now over just this,” the host said.

Again, Limbaugh is right.

In Westchester, HUD has attempted to rezone the area along racial and income guidelines as a condition for receiving millions in the block grants.

County Executive Rob Astorino, a Republican, is fighting back, however, and rejected the receipt of \$5 million of grants from 2012.

Westchester lost out on some \$7 million of grants from 2011 for the same reason.

“It is unfortunate that HUD, which claims to champion the needy, once again is threatening to withhold funds for affordable housing,” Astorino spokesman Ned McCormack said in April. “But the county is not going to turn over control of the local zoning of its six cities, 19 towns and 20 villages to bureaucrats in Washington for \$5 million in grants.”

HUD has been demanding that the county build 750 units of affordable housing in 31 more affluent communities.

Now, Astorino, who is running for governor this year against Democratic incumbent Andrew Cuomo, is challenging in federal court the legal basis under which HUD can do this.

At a July 13 town hall meeting, Astorino reminded residents that when HUD brought its case against the county, “the deputy secretary of HUD said at the time Westchester is a test case for the rest of the country.”

Sure enough, in 2009, Ron Sims, deputy secretary at HUD, said, “We're clearly messaging other jurisdictions across the country that there has been a significant change in the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and we're going to ask them to pursue similar goals as well,” adding that Westchester “can serve as a model for building strong, inclusive sustainable communities in suburban areas across the entire United States.”

Astorino explained the effect of the rule: “The federal government's saying that if you live in a community that is disproportionately white, then therefore there is discrimination and segregation. And, as such, the local community and/or the Justice Department needs to come in and do away with a lot of the zoning regulations that they feel restricts high density housing in any neighborhood.”

Yikes. Can you say racial housing quotas?

But it gets worse than that. Astorino continued, “They have already said that quarter-acre ... single-family residential zoning is potentially discriminatory, and what they would do is take away any restrictions that limit height, density, acreage, [and] number of bedrooms — in any community.”

Which means, Astorino said, “if you live in that quarter-acre or half-acre residential neighborhood, the federal government is saying that a 13-story apartment building could be right in the middle of it, government-subsidized, because there needs to be equal mix, in their view, of ethnicity, of race, of income, etc.”

With implementation of the HUD rule set to go into effect in October that means there is not a moment to lose. This is coming to a neighborhood near you.

The House of Representatives has already acted, passing an amendment to the Transportation and HUD appropriations bill by Rep. Paul Gosar (R-Ariz.) in a close 219 to 207 vote to defund implementation of the regulation. In the Senate, Sen. Mike Lee (R-Utah) has proposed the same amendment.

Yet so far, Senate Republicans have not presented a united front in favor of the Lee amendment and against the HUD action. They may want to do so before the rule is implemented in October. Once it is implemented, like so many eternal government programs, it may be too late to stop it.

— Robert Romano is the senior editor of Americans for Limited Government.

✓ Canadians: Rail trip highlights similarities

From Page 14A

We are throwing it away, and as long as we Americans have the right and opportunity to express ourselves and correct what we perceive as wrong, then it not only is our right but our duty to do so.

— Mike Hanley is a rancher and author who lives in Jordan Valley.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

July 26, 1989

East Lizard Butte Water Corp. gets grant, loan to help solve water problem

The arsenic-plagued East Lizard Butte Water Corp.’s water system has received a big shot in the arm.

A \$130,000 grant plus a \$53,000 loan has been obtained through the Farmers Home Administration to dig a new well and improve the water system, according to Tom Andreason, a staff assistant to Congressman Larry Craig in Boise.

Earl Binger, president of the water company, said the community now has three wells, one of which is unusable because of the high level of arsenic in the water, a second well that can be used only for “doing dishes and bathing” and a third that is a low producer, but is low enough in arsenic to be drunk.

Marsing area buffeted by windstorm

Brief, tornado-force winds hit sections of the Marsing area around 6 p.m. only July 19, slamming a power pole through the roof of a mobile home, flattening a barn, downing trees and inflicting scattered damage.

In the Grand View area, lightning ignited two range fires the morning of July 20.

One of nearly a dozen power poles blown down on Lewis Lane southeast of Marsing smashed through the roof of a mobile home occupied by Randy and Pamela Milburn and their 1-year-old son, Josh.

Milburn said the pole hit in the hall and bedroom area, just a few steps away from his wife and son. Milburn had been cutting hay at the time, and reported that the fierce wind blew 110-pound hay bales around the field.

“In Our Prime in ’89” theme for county fair’s parade

“In Our Prime in ’89” is the theme chosen for the Aug. 12 parade that will help to bring the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo in Homedale to a fun-packed finale during the second week in August, according to parade chairman Mil Shanley of the sponsoring Xi Alpha Delta organization. The theme must be utilized in order for parade entries to be considered for prizes.

Plans call for parade entries to be in line by 9 a.m. for judging on Saturday, Aug. 12, with the parade kickoff set to begin at 10 a.m. through downtown. It will conclude near the city park, where the Oldtimers beef barbecue will be staged by the Homedale Chamber of Commerce starting about 11 a.m.

Xi Alpha Delta will also sponsor a rodeo dance that night from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Armory building at the fairgrounds.

Parade categories will include community, commercial and religious as well as antique, classic and hot rod cars, kids and youth entries and horse units. Except for kids and cars categories, \$20 will be awarded for first place, \$15 for second places and \$10 for third places. In the car class, one \$15 prize each will be awarded to cars judged to be the best antique, classic or hot rod vehicles.

Homedale’s fire hydrants take on red, white, blue colors

Every fire hydrant in town has a fresh coat of paint, thanks to area teenagers serving as a city work crew this summer, Homedale City Supervisor Larry Bauer confirmed Friday.

What’s more, the slicked-up fireplugs are painted in colors of red, white and blue, pointed out Edna I. Grimes, city clerk-treasurer. There are about 40 hydrants on city street corners that received the new paint application, Bauer estimated.

The teenagers should be working sometime this week to apply a fresh coast of paint to Homedale City Hall. They’ll also be combating sandbur problems in the city streets and alleys, Bauer said.

The teenagers are serving the town under a government-funded program operated by the Southwest Private Industry Council and U.S. Job Services, in coordination with local government units.

50 years ago

July 23, 1964

Owyhee Fair to be held Aug. 19-22 at Homedale

The Owyhee County Fair Board started 1964 by electing Bruce Smith of Homedale as chairman and Don Davis of Bruneau as vice-chairman. Other members at that time were Leslie Selders of Homedale, Jim Cossel and Justo Yzaguirre of Marsing, Everett Larsen of Opaline, and Tommy Bates of Grand View. However, since the passing of Leslie “Buck” Selders, John Kushlan has been appointed to fill his position for the remaining term.

Building projects were outlined by the board for 1964 to install a new water line at the fair grounds and to build new corrals back of the bucking chutes. Also the board felt the need for portable bleachers to be used during the day by the fair and at night by the rodeo. The projects have all been completed at this time along with the completion of the pens and the sheep barn.

The fair board was also very fortunate this year to purchase the house and lot just east of the armory. They plan to use the house for the fair office. This will help eliminate the traffic congestion on Wednesday of the fair by keeping many cars from driving onto the fairgrounds.

Two new innovations this year will be a Siphon Setting contest and a Swine Carcass contest. The siphon setting contest will be held on Friday, Aug. 21 at 2:30 p.m. with divisions for boys and girls and men and women. The swine carcass contest will begin Wednesday, Aug. 19 and end Friday evening with a carcass evaluation at Owyhee Meat Packers.

The fair board will also sponsor a Queen Contest.

Owyhee County Rodeo to be 4-night event

The annual Owyhee County Rodeo, held in Homedale in conjunction with the fair, will again be a four-night event, starting August 19. Two go-rounds will be held.

Bob Basey, rodeo director, said this week that Jack Pope, Twin Falls, stock contractor of the Spur Rowel Ranch, will again produce the show. Bill Brumet, Weiser auctioneer, will be the announcer, and Curly and Eddie Heath will be clowns.

The saddle bronc purse has been upped to \$250 to attract more bronc stompers. Several Indian riders from McDermitt, Nev., and Owyhee, Nev., are again expected to compete in this event. Entry fee is \$20.

Bareback bronc riding, bull riding, calf roping and team roping will also be featured. A \$20 entry fee will be charged in each of these events. Purse \$125.

Girls’ barrel racing will carry a \$50 purse with a \$10 entry fee. Kids’ steer riding will be rewarded with belt buckles as prizes. A \$1 entry fee will be charged.

The rodeo board, at its meeting July 8, agreed to hire Mrs. Betty O’Neal of Vale as secretary again, if she is available.

John Malmberg is rodeo board president; Al Curtis, vice president; Johnny Wright, acting secretary; Paul Zatica, Walt Adams, Walt Love and Bob Basey, directors.

Local breeder offers rams at Filer Aug. 5

B. B. Burroughs, Homedale, well-known breeder of Suffolk sheep will have a large offering of his top rams in the state show and sale at Filer, August 5.

The state-wide selection for this year’s show and sale, sponsored by the Idaho Wool Growers Assn., has been made by the Ram Sale Committee, according to Chairman Robert Blastock. This year’s event will include 573 head of Suffolks and Suffolk-Hampshires with entries of nine Suffolk studs.

Margene Gabica wins Stampede queen title

Margene Gabica, 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gabica of Nampa, won over 23 other candidates Saturday night as queen of the Snake River Stampede, Nampa.

She competed against seven other finalists, taking her 10-year-old quarter horse around the barrels and then went through other maneuvers for the judges.

Miss Gabica was sponsored by the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Mounted Posse.

140 years ago

July 25, 1874

WHOLESOME ADVICE. People who come West often bring with them queer pleas of the Western country and the people inhabiting it. On account of these ridiculous notions, they are apt to find it difficult to get along well, either socially or financially, and generally end in cursing the country and people, when in reality, the blame of their ill success lies with themselves. The sooner the Eastern man, who has concluded to locate in the West, learns to know and appreciate the institutions and customs of the people with whom his lot is cast, the better will it be for him, not only in a business point of view, but in every other respect. The following extract from the columns of an exchange puts the matter in a very clear light:

To both single and married men in the East, who have decided to go West, we would whisper in their ears one thing, which if heeded, will be of value to them. It is this: Avoid a too common error, of puffing yourself with the notion you are going West to astonish the natives; that out there you will be looked up to as somebody unusually smart in your line. The western people estimate a man by what he really is, and do not give him credit for what he is not. True, if you are heralded as a person of superior skill and talent, they await your coming anxiously. But the moment it is discovered that you have been over estimated, all your pleadings about “how they do in the East” will avail nothing.

ALLEGED FORGERY. P.M. Sullivan was arrested at Fairview yesterday on the charge of having uttered and passed a forged order on the County School Fund for \$150. It appears Sullivan had been engaged in teaching at Fairview, and, on the first day of this month, presented to Deputy County Treasurer, J. A. Rupert, an order on the school fund for \$150. The order was numbered 30. Upon referring to his books, Mr. Rupert discovered that No. 29 had neither been presented nor paid, and informed Sullivan he could not pay No. 30 until after No. 29 had been paid. Sullivan immediately replied that he also had No. 29, which he produced and which was then and there paid by Mr. Rupert. It bore the signatures of “Geo. Drew, Auditor” and “Wm. Stacey, Supt. Public Schools,” was dated June 18th, 1874, and drawn in favor of P.M. Sullivan for the sum of \$150. Some two or three days ago Rupert learned that neither Drew nor Stacey had ever signed such an order on the school fund, in favor of Sullivan; hence the arrest of the latter for forgery, &c. Sullivan is in jail and will undergo a preliminary examination before Justice C. S. Leonard at one o’clock to-day.

We were yesterday shown another order, also numbered 29, on the School Fund, for \$125, which P.M. Sullivan hypothecated to Edward Borman, of Fairview, for \$40 in cash. It is also a forgery beyond a doubt. If Sullivan forged those orders, he unquestionably stole the blanks from Dr. Beckett’s drug store, where Superintendent Stacey keeps the books and papers pertaining to his office.

PROGRESS TO THE TELEGRAPH. The latest news from the telegraph corps is that last night the wire crew were camped at Rattlesnake Station, 85 miles from Silver City, and the hole-digging and post-setting crew were in camp at the Owyhee River. The wire crew complete metallic connection with Winnemucca as they advance and in order to insure a perfect electric current behind them, have in their outfit a complete telegraph office and operator. The operator connects his instrument every ten miles, and in case he finds any interruption of the electric current, it is his duty to go back inspecting the line carefully to his last testing point, ascertaining and removing the cause of interruption. An interesting feature of this line is that, in order to make connection between Silver and Winnemucca on the 15th of August, about 65 miles of the wire is left on the ground, it being found impossible to have and distribute poles to the central portion of the line in so short a time. In any other country, this would be deemed an impossibility, perfect insulation from the ground being one of the necessities of the ordinary telegraph; but, across the dry alkali plains, there is so little moisture in the ground, at this season of the year, that the line is found to work nearly as well on the ground as on poles and insulators.

Public notices

**NOTICE OF PENDING
ISSUE OF TAX DEED**
**YOU ARE HEREBY
NOTIFIED, AS FOLLOWS:** That
a delinquent entry was entered as
of January 1, 2010, in the records
of the County Treasurer as Tax
Collector of Owyhee County,
State of Idaho, for the following
properties:

Parcel RPA00100380030A
Ervin D. or Charles A
Turner
211 W Oregon Ave
Homedale, ID 83628
Property known as Lot 3
in Block 38 of the City of
Homedale, Owyhee County,
Idaho
Tax: \$739.76
Late Charge: \$14.80
Interest: \$414.28
Costs: \$344.44**
TOTAL \$1513.28
Parcel RPA0010006001AA
Michael R or Samuel J
Shoonover
211 N 6th St W
Homedale, ID 83628
Property known as Lots 1&2
in Block 6 & Adj ½ Vacated
Alley of the City of Homedale,
Owyhee County, Idaho
Tax: \$933.90
Late Charge: \$18.68
Interest: \$523.00
Costs: \$457.40**
TOTAL \$1932.98
Parcel RP02S02W279100A
Norman Churchill
2309 Aspen Cove Drive
Meridian ID 83642-6517
Property known as Tax 9
Section 27 2S 2W Owyhee
County, Idaho
Tax: \$94.32
Late Charge: \$1.88
Interest: \$52.82
Costs: \$431.48**
TOTAL \$580.50
Parcel RP05S03E069800A
Norman Churchill
2309 Aspen Cove Dr
Meridian ID 83642-6517
Property known as Lot
13 Section 6 5S 3E Owyhee
County, Idaho
Tax: \$126.40
Late Charge: \$ 2.52
Interest: \$ 70.78
Costs: \$431.48**
TOTAL \$ 631.18
Parcel RP00700010003AA
Harry & Anita Showalter
58206 Cedar Point Drive
Rogerson ID 83302
Property known as Lots 3-7
in Block 10 of Murphy Hot

Springs Sub 1, Owyhee County,
Idaho
Tax: \$202.06
Late Charge: \$ 4.04
Interest: \$113.16
Costs: \$437.96**
TOTAL \$ 757.22
**Pursuant to Idaho Code §63-
1005 (3), amounts will increase as
additional cost and fees in the tax
deed process are added.

**YOU ARE FURTHER
NOTIFIED,** that if said delinquent
entry is not redeemed on or
before July 24, 2014, by payment
of said unpaid taxes together
with late charge, interest and all
unpaid costs and expenses up to
the date of said payment at my
office as Tax Collector, Owyhee
County Courthouse, Murphy,
ID, I shall thereupon, as required
by law, make application to the
Board of County Commissioners
of Owyhee County, State of
Idaho, for a hearing to be held
on July 28, 2014, or as soon
thereafter as said application
can be heard at the **Owyhee
County Courthouse, Murphy,
Idaho,** for tax deed conveying
the above described property to
OWYHEE COUNTY, State
of Idaho , absolute title, free of
all encumbrances, except any
lien for taxes which may have
attached subsequently to the
assessment hereinafter referred
to. **YOU ARE FURTHER
NOTIFIED,** that the record
owner or owners or any party of
interest as defined by §63-1005,
Idaho Code, may appear in person
or by counsel, and if appearing,
shall have adequate opportunity
to be heard for the purpose of
protesting the procedures used in
taking this tax deed. **NO OTHER
TYPE OF PROTEST WILL BE
HEARD. YOU ARE FURTHER
NOTIFIED,** that inquiries and
objections concerning this notice
of the information contained
therein shall be directed to the
**OWYHEE COUNTY
TREASURER** at 20381 State
Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650;
or by calling (208) 495-1158 no
later than five (5) working days
before the hearing date.
7/2, 7/9, 7/16, & 7/23.
Dated this 27th day of June,
2014
**Brenda Richards, COUNTY
TREASURER and EX-
OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR
FOR OWYHEE COUNTY,
IDAHO**

Notice of Public Hearing
FY2014 PROPOSED BUDGET
Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 (**FY2015**)
CITY OF MARSING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002, will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 (**FY2015**). **A proposed Budget Hearing will be held at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main Street 7:00 pm on August 13, 2014.** Copies of the proposed city budget with details are available for review at Marsing City Hall during normal business hours. All interested persons are invited to appear.

Funds	FY 2013 2012-2013	FY2014 2013-2014	FY2015 2014-2015
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	PROPOSED
EXPENDITURES			
01 General	\$401,994.00	\$451,571.00	\$593,140.00
02 Roads & Streets	\$168,578.00	\$171,930.00	\$136,678.00
03 Parks	\$22,080.00	\$23,162.00	\$135,954.00
05 Planning & Zoning	\$20,500.00	\$23,500.00	\$23,500.00
25 Water	\$707,000.00	\$800,700.00	\$780,600.00
29 Irrigation	\$54,025.00	\$60,925.00	\$45,925.00
30 Sanitation	\$85,050.00	\$85,150.00	\$85,150.00
35 Sewer	\$471,400.00	\$447,500.00	\$486,920.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES (all funds)	\$1,930,627.00	\$2,064,438.00	\$2,287,867.00
REVENUE			
General Fund	\$102,584.00	\$105,661.00	\$104,176.00
Roads & Streets	\$26,728.00	\$27,530.00	\$28,356.00
Park	\$12,430.00	\$13,082.00	\$13,474.00
Total Property Tax:	\$141,742.00	\$146,273.00	\$146,006.00
Revenue Other Sources			
01 General	\$260,252.00	\$345,910.00	\$488,964.00
02 Streets & Highways	\$168,578.00	\$144,400.00	\$108,322.00
03 Parks	\$22,080.00	\$10,080.00	\$122,480.00
05 Planning & Zoning	\$20,500.00	\$23,500.00	\$23,500.00
25 Water	\$707,000.00	\$800,700.00	\$780,600.00
29 Irrigation	\$54,025.00	\$60,925.00	\$45,925.00
30 Sanitation	\$85,050.00	\$85,150.00	\$85,150.00
35 Sewer	\$471,400.00	\$447,500.00	\$486,920.00
Total Other Sources	\$1,788,885.00	\$1,918,165.00	\$2,141,861.00
Total All Funds	\$1,930,627.00	\$2,064,438.00	\$2,287,867.00

Janice C. Bicandi, Marsing City Clerk-Treasurer

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Owyhee County Church Directory

	Golden Gate Baptist Church Wilder Pastor Robert Potter, Jr., CLP Corner of Second and "B" Streets Church time is 11:00 am on Sunday Call (208) 880-4308 for information	Our Lady of Tears Church Silver City June 15, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. All are invited and welcome to attend! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031
Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale Pastor Silverio Cardenas Jr. 132 E Owyhee • 337-5975 Servicios: Mar - 7pm - Oracion Mier - 7pm Predicacion Dom - 10am Esc. Dom y 6pm "Una Iglesia Diferente."	Knight Community Church Grand View Pastor Ivan Shetler 630 Idaho Street 208-834-2639 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service 10:45am	Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm
Assembly of God Church Homedale 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm	Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 5:30 pm Wednesday CLC: 3:15 pm	Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church Caldwell 1122 W. Linden St. 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale 337-4248 Sunday Services 10am Pastor Sean Rippey Adult and Children Sunday School 9-9:45am Visitors Always Welcome! Call Church for Prayer requests	Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henriouille, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Travis Kraupp Bishop Robert T. Christensen Sunday 1st Ward 1pm Sunday 2nd Ward 9am
Homedale Baptist Church Homedale 212 S. 1st W. 841-0190 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	Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Wilder 26515 Ustick Road 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm
 MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español	Iglesia Evangelica Wilder 317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	St. David's Episcopal Church 1800 Arlington Ave. Caldwell, ID 83605 208-459-9261 stdavids@stdavidscaldwell.org www.stdavid.episcopalidaho.org
Christian Church Homedale 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	Bible Missionary Church Homedale West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	Assembly of God Church Marsing 139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm	Nazarene Church Marsing Pastor Bill O'Connor 649-5256 12 2nd Avenue West Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	Trinity Holiness Church Homedale 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop Jensen Sunday 2nd Ward, 12:30 p.m. Bishop Parry	Vision Community Church Marsing 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-779-7926 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 <i>Exploring the Bible: Public Invited</i> 2nd & 4th Tuesday: 4-5pm Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. Pastor Dave Raines 208-880-8751 Sunday Service 9:30am
First Presbyterian Church Homedale 320 N. 6th W., 850-5172 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am	Calvary Holiness Church - Wilder Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. • 208-989-0196 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday: 6:00 p.m. • Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry hours • 208-989-0226 2nd & 4th Friday of month 2pm-4pm 3rd Friday of month 11am-1pm	Seventh Day Adventist Homedale 16613 Garnet Rd., 649-5280 Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Wednesday Prayer Mtg. 7:00 pm
Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale 711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana 2014 Mass Schedule - the following Saturdays at 9:30am Jan. 11 - Feb. 8 - Mar. 22 - Apr. 26 - May 10 June 14 - July 12 - Aug. 23 - Sept. 27 Oct. 25 - Nov. 22 - Dec. 27 All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031	Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12- 2pm Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

FY 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET

Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 (FY2015)

CITY OF GRAND VIEW

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002 will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 (FY2015). A proposed Budget Hearing will be held at Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise avenue, at 6:00 PM on August 13, 2014. Copies of the proposed city budget with details are available for review at Grand View City Hall during normal business hours. All interested persons are invited to appear.

EXPENDITURES

Fund Name	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
	Actuals	Budgeted	Proposed
City General Fund	\$40,996	\$75,004	\$57,406
Street & Roads	\$21,292	\$128,341	\$38,030
Parks	*	\$51,750	\$9,285
Sewer	**	**	\$185,800
Water	**	**	\$284,332
Total Expenditures	\$62,288	\$255,095	\$574,853

REVENUES

Fund Name	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
	Actuals	Budgeted	Proposed
Property Tax Levy			
City General Fund	\$7,144	\$8,000	\$7,200
Total Property Tax	\$7,144	\$8,000	\$7,200
Revenue Other Sources			
City General Fund	\$42,894	\$67,004	\$50,206
Street & Roads	\$37,956	\$128,341	\$38,030
Parks	*	\$51,750	\$9,285
Sewer	**	**	\$185,800
Water	**	**	\$284,332
Total Other Sources	\$80,0850	\$247,095	\$567,653
Total Tax/ Other Revenue	\$87,994	\$255,095	\$574,853
Fund Balance Transfers	(\$25,706)	-	-
Total All Revenues	\$62,288	\$255,095	\$574,853

* Indicates the fund was not being reported as a separate fund category during the noted budget period. **Water and sewer had previously operated as a separate nonprofit organization, publication was not required.

Tammy M. Payne, Grand View City Clerk/Treasurer

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDE BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

OPALINE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

FISCAL YEAR NOVEMBER 1, 2013 TO OCTOBER 31, 2014

Notice is hereby given that the Directors for the Opaline Irrigation District will meet August 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. for an amended budget hearing Pursuant to the Idaho Code 42-3229 at Clyde Sevy’s Shop: 9383 State Highway 78. The proposed Amended Budget may be examined at the home office of Secretary Dan H. Birmingham, 8563 Quail Run Dr., Melba, call for appointment 896-5273

The following is a copy of the 2013-2014 budget including 2013-2014 fiscal year amended budget.

EXPENSES:

ITEM	2014 BUDGET	2014 AMENDED
Insurance	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
L&P Fees	3,600.00	3,600.00
Maintenance	30,800.06	61,531.98
Office	718.26	718.26
Phone	2,160.00	2,160.00
Power	173,343.00	173,343.00
Soc.Sec.	5,336.00	5,336.00
Wages	32,555.60	32,555.60
Mileage	500.00	500.00
Reserve Fund	35,009.12	4,277.20
TOTAL	\$287,522.04	\$287,522.04
INCOME:		
ITEM	2014 PROJECTED	2014 PROJECTED
2008 O&M	0.00	0.00
2009 O&M	0.00	0.00
2010 O&M	0.00	0.00
2011 O&M	87.39	87.39
2012 O&M	87.39	87.39
2013 O&M	1,891.34	1,891.34
2014 O&M	249,084.00	249,084.00
Office Fee	2,580.00	2,580.00
Late Fees	450.00	450.00
Interest	110.00	110.00
Refunds	2,500.00	2,500.00
LGIP Fund	30,731.92	30,731.92
TOTAL:	\$287,522.04	\$287,522.04

Dan H. Birmingham, Secretary-Treasurer, Opaline Irrigation District, PO Box 331, Marsing, ID 83639
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Homedale Farmers Market Every Saturday, 9am-1pm starting June 14th thru end of Sept. @ Bette Uda Park in Homedale. Produce, Teas, Homemade Pies, Baked Goods & Handmade items. Vendors wanted call 208-840-0440. Benefiting Homedale School Organizations. www.homedalefarmersmarket.weebly.com



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