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Homedale High School senior Bo Pickett stands in the roping arena at his family's Caldwell home with his championship saddle nearby.

## Silent swagger

### Bo Pickett takes big title in roping mecca

Bo Pickett passed a big milestone in a lifelong pursuit aboard a horse he barely knew.

Despite having only saddled Superman for the first time barely 72 hours earlier, the 18-year-old Homedale High School senior outclassed 124 other cowboys from tie down roping hotbeds to win the prestigious Rising Stars event in Duncan, Okla., on Sunday, Nov. 30.

"It was a huge confidence boost," the son of

Rich and Rhonda Pickett said.

While two of his HHS football teammates were locking horns on the gridiron in the El Korah East-West Shrine All-Star Game in Eagle, for which he had been selected, too, Bo Pickett was horse-trading half a continent away and setting himself up for an unforgettable weekend.

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## County confirms tax revenue error

### Marsing-Homedale Cemetery district shorted \$13K over past decade

Although they are locked in on a temporary levy election in the spring, Marsing-Homedale Cemetery board members got a complex bit of good news recently.

Apparently, a clerical error made 10 years ago and perpetuated in the Owyhee County Clerk's Office each year since has shorted the maintenance district more than \$13,000.

Current County Clerk Angie Barkell discovered the error earlier this year when she researched why the Idaho State Tax Commission

flagged a report as erroneous.

"I received an error message that I was reporting the wrong amount of Ag replacement monies on the L2 for Riverside Cemetery (in Grand View)," Barkell told The Owyhee Avalanche.

A key-entry error apparently led to the long-standing imbalance. Riverside Cemetery's taxing district account number is 9052, while the Marsing-Homedale account number is 9053.

The error, made in August

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Tim Lowry and his wife Rosemary were honored by the Idaho Farm Bureau at the state convention earlier this month. Idaho Farm Bureau photo

## Lowrys awarded Farm Bureau President's Cup

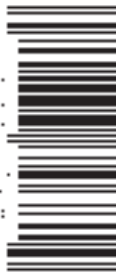
### Owyhee rancher, wife saluted for water rights fight

The Idaho Farm Bureau recently honored an Owyhee

County rancher who has fought for years for the right to practice his livelihood.

Tim and Rosemary Lowry received the President's Cup Award during the Farm Bureau's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary convention in

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# Former employee faces six felonies for embezzlement

A 43-year-old woman has been arrested on suspicion of grand theft involving a former employer.

Angela Monique Fritzler was arrested at her Bailey Road residence Dec. 1 on an Owyhee County warrant. She posted a \$25,000 bond the next day and will stand before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober at 1:30 p.m. Monday in a Murphy courtroom for a preliminary hearing on six felony counts of grand theft.



Angela Fritzler

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said the case is still under investigation and more charges may be brought forward.

According to charges filed by county Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery, Fritzler allegedly had embezzled more than \$24,000 from a Wilson-area agricultural business since February.

Fritzler had worked for the company for 2½ years, and court documents show that the business owner is still analyzing financials from previous years to see if any other misappropriation may have

taken place.

According to an OCSO probable cause statement, the business owner became suspicious after taking over the books when Fritzler was away from her position as secretary for a medical reason.

Fritzler allegedly used multiple credit cards to pay power bills, phone bills and make online purchases with an outdoor equipment retailer. According to court documents, she rang up more than \$5,500 in credit card debt.

Fritzler allegedly made more than \$10,300 in payroll advances to herself as well.

More than \$8,100 went missing from the business' checking accounts when Fritzler allegedly wrote checks for approved transactions but made the checks out to herself rather than the business payee.

Bowman said at this time it appears that the embezzlement encompasses only the business and not the non-profit disaster relief fund that the business owner created two years ago.

Fritzler was the secretary for the non-profit fund, too.

## Homedale Legion holds free dinner, food drive

George VanDerhoff American Legion Post 32 will hold a Christmas dinner Saturday.

The free event runs from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Legion Hall, 14 E. Owyhee Ave., in Homedale.

Folks are asked to bring canned goods or non-perishable food items, which will be donated to the food bank.

Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus will attend from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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## Bazaar season heats up



### Event satiates shoppers in Murphy

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Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire and QRU volunteer Louis Monson, right, serves up a bowl of chili for Nampa resident Chuck Kunerth during the Owyhee County Historical Society's bazaar at the museum in Murphy on Saturday.

Meridian resident Bobbie Everett, left, points to the top of the Charlie Brown tree as she and her husband, Francis, pick out their favorite for Christmas

The OCHS has donated the Christmas tree in The Owyhee Avalanche office for the Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation gift drive again, and the updated wish list can be found on **Page 12A**

Santa hands a candy cane to Kiana McFadden, 9, of Marsing as 8-year-old Cyrus Fillmore of Caldwell looks on.



## Bradley Rochester Benefit

Saturday December 13th at 5pm

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# Children’s art enhances Santa Brunch at HES

3rd annual fundraiser  
set Saturday at HES

Saturday’s third annual Homedale Elementary PTO Santa Brunch is an opportunity for the organization to do more for the town’s schoolchildren, but it also gives organizers a chance to show off what they’ve done so far.

The Santa Brunch will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday inside the elementary school cafeteria, 420 W. Washington Ave.

Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus will be on hand to play games and provide entertainment next door in the school’s gymnasium. Photos with Santa will cost \$5 unless parents want to take their own.

“Let It Snow” is this year’s theme, and admission into the school for all the fun is free.

The menu includes breakfast burritos, hash browns and cinnamon rolls. The cost is \$5 for an individual meal ticket or \$20 per family (immediate family members only). Children 2 and younger eat for free.

Tickets will be available at the door or can be obtained by calling Marcy Hibbs at 353-6024.

There will be a silent auction of themed baskets created by each grade.

A raffle with numerous prizes also will be held. Tickets are \$1 each, and tickets are available at the door or by calling 936-6287. You needn’t be present to win.

- Prizes include:
- A Kindle
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- A Wii video game
- Bicycles
- A Dutch oven and cookbook
- Passes to Roaring Springs Water Park and Wahooz mini golf
- Hunting gear
- Frosty Palace gift certificates
- Twenty pounds of hamburger from Owyhee Meats

In addition to satisfying their palates, patrons at Saturday’s event can sample the creations from elementary school artists’ palettes.

All elementary students will have artwork on display Saturday. Twice a year, Camille Heck and other parent volunteers visit each classroom to teach an art program.

Heck said Chris Marston initiated the program in 2012 because the school didn’t have a full-fledged, financed art class.

“It was her passion that the kids at Homedale Elementary have the opportunity to have art in their curriculum,” Heck said of Marston’s inspiration.

Marston studied art in Europe and majored in college.

The PTO sponsors the program, which is funded through proceeds from the Box Tops for Education promotion. Art supplies are donated.

Proceeds from this year’s Santa Brunch will be used to renew the subscription for Homedale School District’s parent communication system.

If any money remains from the proceeds of this year’s Santa Brunch after the communication system is renewed, officials would like to begin purchasing Bright Link Interactive Projectors for the kindergarten classrooms.



Third-grader Isana Larzelier created this rendition of a tree based on the work of famous artist Gustav Klimt’s Tree of Life. Submitted photo

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Bo Pickett ropes his calf during one of four go-rounds at the Rising Stars Calf Roping on Sunday, Nov. 30 at the Stephens County Fair & Expo Center in Duncan, Okla. Photo courtesy of Jeremy Fletcher / Fletch Photos & Design (www.fletchphotos.com), Aubrey, Texas

✓ Pickett: New horse is no problem at all

He made what turned out to be a sweet deal when he traded Hershey, the horse he and his dad hauled to Texas, for Superman on Nov. 28, a Friday.

“I’ve had constant bad luck and trouble with horses late in the summer,” Pickett said, adding that his No. 1 horse — a mare named Hollywood — was sidelined after it was discovered surgery was necessary.

“It’s nice to finish the year strong.”

Pickett knew early on that Superman was right for him.

“When it fits, it fits,” he said.

But even after placing sixth in the average at a roping in Liberty, Texas on the eve of the Rising Stars event, that unforgettable weekend started to creep into the forgettable column.

“Out of 125 (cowboys), there were 124 others that did better than me in the first round,” Pickett said without a hint of exaggeration, even though he was 25<sup>th</sup>-fastest after the first of three long go rounds.

He crept up to 12<sup>th</sup> in the average after the second go and powered his way into the short go with a 9.3-second third-round time that shot him into fourth in the average

on three head.

“The first two calves, he felt kinda like another horse, and I didn’t know what to think about him,” Pickett said. “On the third calf, he felt right.”

Facing off with the top 12 ropers in the short go, Pickett pulled off a 7.8-second time to win the average and the ages 16-19 championship.

“There is the cream of the crop,” his father said of the event. “Not all of them are there, but there was some major competition.”

“Bo held his composure through the day. He remained calm and relaxed, and that’s why he could do what he did.”

With the title comes a buckle, a saddle, some Cinch gear, “a little cash,” a \$4,000 scholarship to a college in Oklahoma.

And attention.

Bo and his dad toured Ranger College and Odessa College before the Rising Stars meet.

The morning after the roping, Bo Pickett got a call from Sam Houston State, which he says is at the top of his list.

Pickett was the only roper from the Northwest to make the Rising Stars competition, but he left his mark in a region where roping is a year-round sport because of the mild weather and abundance of indoor arenas.

“I just wanted to kind of play

my game because I know I can rope with those guys,” Pickett said. “You just have to focus on doing your job and not worrying about anyone else.”

That’s how Pickett has approached his roping, even back when both his father and his uncle, former world champion Dee Pickett, tried to steer him away from the rodeo life.

“I really tried to discourage him, but he just wouldn’t take no for an answer,” Rich Pickett said. “It’s a burning desire he’s had for a long time.”

Rich’s brother even tried to quell the youngster’s gusto.

“His Uncle Dee begged him not to do it,” Bo’s dad said, “but when he wouldn’t listen to that advice, we decided we’d better do something about it.”

Hearing your kid slap a rope on his bedroom floor as he tries to lasso his roping dummy well past bedtime can be a convincing argument.

Bo admits that if Dee wasn’t his uncle, he probably wouldn’t have had the drive that puts his body in a roping arena four to five hours a day and his mind in between the gates 24/7.

He practices at Bob Johnson’s indoor arena in Marsing. It’s the same building where his dad and uncle roped when they were younger.

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✓ Error: District seeks grant for mower

2004, sent every dime of ag replacement money intended for the Marsing-Homedale district to Riverside, leaving Marsing-Homedale short. The amount is up to \$13,345.50. Similar to the federal government’s Payment In Lieu of Taxes, Ag replacement is state funding paid to the counties to make up for agricultural property tax exemptions.

The news came to light during Thursday’s Marsing-Homedale board meeting when Director Valerie Dines revealed that District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi had contacted her in an attempt to rectify the problem.

The directors — Dines, board chair Jay Hall and Rick Sherrow — continue to discuss their next move in light of two permanent override levy elections going down to defeat earlier this year (May and November).

“We knew about it before the election, but we didn’t want it to skew the election results because we were afraid they would vote it down, which they did anyway, which is sad,” Aberasturi said of the error.

No solution has been determined yet, but with the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery district reporting a \$3,200 deficit for November, every penny counts.

Dines said the district has about \$5,000 left in its Fiscal Year 15 fund balance. A property tax payment will come from the county after the first half of taxes are received, but officials point out the cemetery district’s levy rate is woeful compared to others such as the Lizard Butte Library District and the Marsing Fire district, which have levy rates two times larger than the cemetery district.

Although no decision has been

made, Aberasturi said the county will probably have to reimburse the Marsing-Homedale district out of its reserve account.

Barkell said officials at the county’s insurance carrier, Idaho Counties Risk Management Program, told her the county isn’t covered for the mistake under the errors and omissions provisions.

Hall said he believes the county should pay to clear up the mess.

“Somehow, we’re hoping to get those funds back,” Dines said.

Everyone involved agrees it would be unfair to expect Riverside to pay back the funds because that district’s directors were unaware of the misstep, too.

The directors also pointed out that the economic climate for public cemeteries is squeezing Riverside just as much as Marsing-Homedale.

There are fewer burials and more cremations these days, officials say. Dines also speculated that because of the lower birth rate from the Great Depression years there are fewer people dying.

That means less revenue from plot openings and closings.

The cemetery made just over \$1,000 on opening and closing labor in November. Cemetery sexton Bruce Benson said he paid only half of the cemetery’s irrigation bill last month, but that amount (\$1,186) surpassed the non-tax income for November.

Hall opened the old business portion of the meeting with a comment directed at the financial dire straits.

“It’s the same old business,” the 34-year board member said. “We have no money.”

He also pointed out that a successful election in May would

help the district in FY16, but it would still be in the lurch this year.

Dines recently applied for a grant through US Ecology Idaho to get funds to buy a new lawnmower, but that grant won’t be awarded until the spring.

Patron Ray Heidt, a Marsing resident and Korean War veteran who wrote a letter to the editor last month endorsing the passage of the permanent levy override, asked about the stability of his investment at the cemetery.

“I’m wondering if when I die if my gravestone and the cemetery will still be here,” he said.

Hall said that because the cemetery is a public enterprise it will remain, but “We can’t say the grounds are going to be in as good of shape.”

Heidt brought up the idea of creating a public support group for the cemetery, similar to the Friends of the Library in Marsing and Homedale, to raise money.

After the meeting Hall and Benson discussed the worst-case scenario for the district — selling off 20 acres of farm ground the cemetery owns on its western boundary to make ends meet — temporarily.

If the temporary levy doesn’t pass in May, selling real estate is a real possibility.

A temporary levy requires only a simple majority for passage, while the permanent override required two-thirds majority. The urgency of the general election last month created enough of a yes vote to get a simple majority, but Hall worries a primary election isn’t attractive enough to the electorate to get even the smaller number of required votes six months from now.

HES Christmas concert set Tuesday

First- and second-graders from Homedale Elementary School will perform a Christmas concert Tuesday.

The concert begins at 6:30 p.m. inside the Homedale Middle School gymnasium, 3437 Johnstone Road.

“The students have been practicing songs for the past few weeks,” HES music teacher Eileen Walker said.

“The students are really doing a great job learning the songs and participating in class. They are a great group of children to work with.”

A total of eight songs will be performed with the first-graders singing “A Kitty for a Present,” “Jingle Bell Jazz” and “Snow is Falling Today.”

The second-graders then will sing “Over the River,” “Holly, Ivy and Evergreen” and “I Want to be an Elf.”

Children from both grades will come together to sing “We Wish You a Swinging Holiday” and “We Wish You a Merry Christmas.”

“This fall has gone really well and fast,” Walker said. “It has been great working with the students at Homedale, and I look forward to presenting the program to our parents.

“The parents should be very proud of the job their children have been doing in music.”

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# Obituaries

## Bobby Dan Collett

Bobby Dan Collett was born in Paul, Idaho on September 13, 1925, to Dan and Vernetta Collett. He passed on December 1, 2014 at home in Oreana, after battling cancer.

Bob went to school at Glenns Ferry, Idaho. He also served on the Casablanca in WWII touring the South Pacific. He was injured and spent some time in the base hospital in Hawaii. That is where he was when the war ended. He is a charter member of the Grand View, Idaho Legion Post 134; he was also the last surviving charter member of that Post. Bob served as its 3<sup>rd</sup> Commander.



He married Ruth Marie Foreman Collett on November 7, 1949 in Reno, Nevada. They spent many years on Ruth's family ranch, eventually buying the ranch from her folks. The

ranch was established in 1894 by Ruth's grandparents and is still being run and owned by members of the family.

Together they had two boys, Blaine (Denise) Collett and Brian

(Christine) Collett. Bob has four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Bob served on the Owyhee County ASCS Board, the FHA Board, the Bruneau River Soil

Conservation Board, the Grand View, Bruneau, Oreana School District Board and the PCA/NWFCS Board of Directors for several years.

Bob served two terms on the Owyhee County Cattleman's Association Board. In 1973 he served on that board as President. He also served as a Director on the Idaho Cattleman's Association Board and was President of that organization in 1993. Bob served four years as a Director on the National Cattle Association.

Bob also sat on the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission.

Services will be at The Oreana Community Hall on Wednesday, December 10, 2014, with a viewing from 10:00 A.M. to 11:45 A.M., and funeral services at 12:00 Noon. Burial to follow

at the Oreana Pioneer Cemetery. A potluck dinner will follow the services at the community hall. Arrangements are under the direction of Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel, Mountain Home.

He was preceded in death by his parents Dan and Vernetta, sister Gloria McDermott, brother Max Collett and his beloved wife Ruth Marie. He is survived by his sons, Blaine (Denise) and Brian (Christine), his four grandchildren, Suzanne, Christopher, Sean and Bryce and three great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Oreana Community Hall, C/O 24777 Collett Rd, Oreana, ID 83650.

His last statement: NO MAN HAS GREATER LOVE FOR HIS WIFE THAN I DO.

## Evelyn Rose Loveland



Evelyn Rose Loveland, 102, of Jordan Valley, OR died on Saturday, Dec. 6, 2014 in Marsing, ID. Evelyn was born July 18, 1912 to Tom and Clara Whitby in Nampa, Idaho. In the winter of 1914 the family moved to Oakley, Idaho. In June 1916 they moved to Cliffs, ID then on to the 5-Bar. When it came time for the children to start to school they moved back to Cliffs, ID. Evelyn attended schools at Cliffs, Melba, and Nampa, ID.

She married William Elbert Loveland on August 25, 1930; they lived at the 5 Bar for a few years, before moving to Cliffs,

ID where they homesteaded. To this union 6 children were born: David, Lova, Mildred, Andy, Ruth and Clara (Tootie).

In May 1940, they moved to the Warm Springs Ranch located 1 mile west of Jordan Valley, OR. They lived on the ranch until May 1965, when they moved into Jordan Valley and retired. She was active in the PTA all the while her children were in school; she also was an active member of the Methodist Church and in the WSCS for many years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband of 45 years, Bill Loveland; and 2<sup>nd</sup>

husband of 17 years, Bill Farmer; an infant daughter, Mildred, a grandson, "Buddy" Loveland; a son David; sister and brother-in-law, Ulea "Peach" and Bob Gulch; brother-in-law Chuck Dougal; a brother, Arthur and a son-in-law, Donnie Turner. She is survived by a son, Andy Loveland of Middleton, ID; 3 daughters: Lova (Ray) Easterday of Hagerman, ID, Ruth (Gene) Clapier of Marsing, ID; Clara "Tootie" Turner of Middleton, ID; sister, Frankie Dougal of Cliffs, ID; 18 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and 10 great-great-grandchildren and

many nieces and nephews along with a host of friends, and her black cat.

Evelyn's viewing will be held Wednesday, December 10, 2014 from 3:00-5:00PM at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell, ID, Her funeral service will be at Jordan Valley Grade School Gym, Jordan Valley, OR on Thursday, December 11, 2014 at 1:00 PM. Burial will follow at Jordan Valley Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Jordan Valley Ambulance Fund, or Jordan Valley Museum. Condolences may be given at [www.FlahiffFuneralChapel.com](http://www.FlahiffFuneralChapel.com)



Keri Lee Kinnane passed away on December 04, 2014 at the University of Utah Medical Center in Salt Lake City. Keri was born on October 18, 1968 in Caldwell, Idaho to Brian Dean Johnstone and Donna Rae Nelson. Keri grew up in American Fork, Utah and spent her summers in Homedale, Idaho.

In 1998 she married Mark Kinnane in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. After several years in Georgia and Tennessee, she moved to

Evanston, Wyoming.

Keri adored her sons, Kyle and Brody, and was very proud of them. She will be greatly missed by her family and loved ones, and we look forward to the time we can be reunited.

She is survived by her father Brian Johnstone of Homedale, Idaho, her mother Donna (Mike) Garbett of Evanston, Wyoming, her children Kyle Johnston and Brody Lee Kinnane. Keri is also survived by her brothers: Sam

## Keri Lee Kinnane

(Ann) Johnstone, Palmer, Alaska; Jake (Christy) Johnstone, San Diego, California; Pat (Kaca) Johnstone living in the Czech Republic; and a stepbrother, Michael (Debbie) Garbett, Evanston, Wyoming; her sisters Wendy (Scott) Salutregui, Homedale, Idaho; Angela (Chuck) Nietzsche, Queen Creek, Arizona; and Sally (James) Perez, Surprise, Arizona. Keri is also survived by uncles, aunts, nieces and nephews, and cousins.

Keri was preceded in death by her husband Mark, and her maternal and paternal grandparents, Warren and Sarah Nelson, and George and Juanita Johnstone.

Funeral services were held for Keri on Monday, December 08, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. at the Sage Street LDS chapel in Evanston. A visitation was held one hour prior to funeral service at the church.

Online condolences can be given at [www.crandallfhevanston.com](http://www.crandallfhevanston.com)



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## Death notice

SUZANNE COMONTOFSKI, 65, of Marsing, died at home on Friday, Nov. 28, 2104. A memorial service was held on Sunday, Dec. 7, 2014 at the Nampa Funeral Home Yraguen Chapel in Nampa. (208) 442-8171

## GV church plans nativity play

Valley Christian Fellowship will present its annual Christmas nativity play Sunday outside Grand View.

"The Greatest Gift Ever" will be performed at 6 p.m. at Valley Christian Fellowship, 37866 State

Hwy 78, which is three miles east of Grand View.

The entire family is invited to the play, and dinner will be served afterward.

Call (208) 834-2655 for more information.



# Local 4-H’ers picked for Boise event

Two young ladies from Owyhee County will head to Boise in February to represent Owyhee County 4-H as delegates to the Know Your Government (KYG) conference.

Montana Wasson and Cheylah Volkers were selected to represent our county and to take part in the annual state 4-H event held downtown Boise.

Montana and Cheylah will have the opportunity to engage with other youth from around the state



Sarah Perkins

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in different workshops, tours, and events related to government.

Delegates may choose from Judicial or Legislative tracks as part of the event, which is also a project they will complete and exhibit. Tours include the State-house, courthouses, and other state government buildings in Boise.

Montana and Cheylah will also have the chance to meet with government officials such as judges, state senators, House of Representatives members, and lawyers.

The conference is a time for delegates to learn more about how

their local and state government works and how laws and decisions are made. Tours, workshops, and mock trials are also on the agenda. There will be a motivational speaker and a dance as well.

Last year, Owyhee County sent Janey Clay and Julianne Mori to KYG. They had a fantastic time, learned a lot, and completed some great projects and displays that were seen at our county fair.

— Sarah Perkins is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension 4-H coordinator. You can reach the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or [owyhee@uidaho.edu](mailto:owyhee@uidaho.edu). The office is located at 238 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., in Marsing.

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### Owyhee Graffiti, Vol. 1

#### Scattering the bulls

A hunter was visiting my grandfather at the Visher Ranch. The Angus bulls, in the upper field, started fighting and bellowing. They were all away from the cows, and this was too much for Jim. He said, “I’ll fix the sons of guns,” and went and got his 12-gauge.

“It wasn’t long until I heard shooting,” the hunter said, and bulls were running in all directions.

My grandfather’s attitude toward cattle was a result of his being a sheepman for many years before he went to cattle. The Spanish Civil War and the onset of World War II cut the supply of Basque shepherders and he could no longer find men he could depend on to watch his bands. He had no choice but to sell the sheep and stock the ranch with cattle, but he made it clear that his feeling for cattle was one of dislike. He always maintained that he’d stay in the cattle business until they used up the money the sheep had made.

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

# Calendar

## Today

- Community prayer gathering**  
7 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3464
- Story time**  
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
- Homedale Highway District meeting**  
Noon, Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale
- Christian Life Club**  
4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Homedale Elementary School cafeteria, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464
- Homedale City Council meeting**  
6 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641
- Grand View City Council meeting**  
6 p.m., Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, (208) 834-2700, Monday through Thursday
- Marsing City Council meeting**  
7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

## Thursday

- Blood pressure clinic**  
10 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Owyhee Conservation District meeting**  
10 a.m., 250 N. Old Bruneau Highway, Marsing. (208) 896-4544
- 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 Gardeners monthly meeting**  
1 p.m., Community Room, Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing
- HHS Senior Project presentations**  
4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., open to the public, Homedale High School library/media center, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4613
- TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting**  
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

## Friday

- Story Time**  
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228, afternoons Monday through Saturday
- Teens and Tweens program**  
4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday

## Saturday

- Christmas bazaar**  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Golden Gate Baptist Church, 2nd

- and B streets, Wilder. (208) 407-9531
- Santa Brunch**  
10 a.m. to 1 p.m., \$20 family, \$5 individual, free for 2 and younger, Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 353-6024
- Homedale Farmers Market**  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

## Sunday

- Bruneau Valley Library board meeting**  
2:30 p.m., Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131
- Young Life meeting**  
6 p.m., open to high school-aged youth, transportation available with notice, 15777 Quartz Lane, Homedale. (208) 764-1048 or (817) 229-6850

## Monday

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

## Tuesday

- Foot clinic**  
8:30 a.m., \$12, appointment necessary, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Foot clinic**  
9 a.m., call for appointment, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430 Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Senior center exercise class**  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Blood pressure clinic**  
11 a.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430 Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Homedale Elementary School music program**  
6:30 p.m., first- and second-graders, Homedale Middle School, 3437 Johnstone Road, Homedale.
- Marsing Elementary PTO meeting**  
7 p.m., Marsing Elementary School, Room 105, 8th Avenue West, Marsing. [pto@marsingchools.org](mailto:pto@marsingchools.org)

## Wednesday

- Story time**  
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
- Christian Life Club**  
4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Homedale Elementary School cafeteria, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464
- Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting**  
5:30 p.m., Grand View Firehouse, 720 Roosevelt St., Grand View.

# Homedale’s Story Time features “Tacky’s Christmas”

This week’s Homedale Public Library Story Time will feature “Tacky’s Christmas” by Helen Lester.

Story Time takes place at 10:15 a.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

“Tacky’s Christmas” tells the story of an orthodox penguin that never seems to get things right. His presents are wrapped oddly, he dresses differently than other penguins and, to the dismay of all the other penguins, his holiday

gifts leave something to be desired. But, when hunters appear, Tacky’s unique approach will save the day.

Along with the story, there will be songs, refreshments, and crafts.

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

The library is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

# Marsing grad completes basic

Army Pvt. Kieya R. Buckley, a 2014 Marsing High School graduate, has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

Buckley is the daughter of Laura M. Buckley of Nampa and granddaughter of Wilma and George Buckley of Caldwell.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history,

tradition and core values, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches and field training exercises.

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Roger Hitchcock stands in front of some of his drawings of old buildings as officials set up his December artist of the month display at the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing. Submitted photo

## Marsing library’s featured artist has eye for vintage buildings

Roger Hitchcock has drawn since he was 12, but these days he has added a camera to his artistic standbys of pencil and pen.

The California native is the Friends of the Lizard Butte Library’s final artist of the month for 2014.

His works can be seen at the Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. W. The Marsing library is open from noon to 6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Hitchcock now lives in Nampa.

Though he started drawing in his youth using ink and pencil, he says more photography seems to be in his future.

“I’m aging, and arthritis is beginning to turn a two-hour sketch into a weeklong ordeal,” Hitchcock said.

One of the artist’s favorite inspirations is Nevada with its old, long-abandoned buildings and cast-off relics of the past like his photo of the old tire that is hanging across from the librarian’s desk this month.

His love of things old and abandoned has led him to research and catalog 476 Nevada ghost towns, and he’s still finding more ghost towns.

His research “will give me more than enough subjects to photograph and study to take me well into old age.”

## Man gets probation for aggravated battery

An 18-year-old Grand View man has received credit for time served for misdemeanor child enticement and must serve four years’ probation for felony aggravated battery.

Third District Judge Christopher S. Nye withheld judgment on a felony count of aggravated battery when he sentenced Jasper Mearl Lowe on Nov. 26. That means Lowe can petition to have his criminal record expunged at the end of his four-year probation.

Lowe was originally charged with two counts of felony lewd conduct with a child under 16. One of the felonies was amended to aggravated battery, Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery dropped the other charge.

Lowe spent 90 days in jail after his June arrest. Nye suspended the balance of a 180-day jail term.

He must also pay \$1,040.50 in fines and court fees.

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# School menus

## Homedale Elementary

- Dec. 10: BBQ chicken, steamed carrots, roll, veggie & fruit bar
- Dec. 11: Cheese pizza ripper, tossed salad, fruit rollup, veggie & fruit bar
- Dec. 15: Hot dog, tater tots, veggie & fruit bar
- Dec. 16: Personal pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, veggie & fruit bar
- Dec. 17: Chicken nuggets, steamed carrots, veggie & fruit bar
- Dec. 18: Turkey & gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, veggie & fruit bar, roll, pumpkin pie

## Homedale Middle

- Dec. 10: Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes/gravy, salad & fruit bar
- Dec. 11: Stuffed crust pizza or chicken patty, salad & fruit bar
- Dec. 15: Nachos or ham/cheese hot pocket, salad & fruit bar
- Dec. 16: Hamburger or spicy chicken sandwich, salad & fruit bar
- Dec. 17: Chicken or beef nuggets, cookie, salad & fruit bar
- Dec. 18: Turkey & gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, salad & fruit bar, jello, roll, pumpkin pie

## Homedale High

- Dec. 10: Spaghetti w/breadstick or corn dog, salad bar, fruit choice
- Dec. 11: Chicken taco or fish sticks, corn, cookie, salad bar, fruit choice
- Dec. 15: Pepperoni pizza ripper or turkey sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice
- Dec. 16: Spicy chicken sandwich, cheeseburger or hamburger, potato wedges, salad bar, fruit choice
- Dec. 17: Crispito or hot pocket, salad bar, fruit choice
- Dec. 18: Turkey & gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, salad bar, fruit choice, roll, pumpkin pie

## Marsing

- Dec. 10: Spicy chicken w/rice & wheat roll or burritos, steamed carrots, salad bar & soup
- Dec. 11: Rib-b-que sandwich, macaroni & cheese, Italian breadstick, buttered corn, salad bar & soup
- Dec. 15: Chicken fajita or chicken sandwich, steamed carrots, chocolate chip cookie, salad bar & soup
- Dec. 16: French dip sandwich or beef taco, chipotle rice & beans, mixed vegetables, salad bar & soup
- Dec. 17: Teriyaki chicken bowl, corndog, buttered corn, salad bar & soup

## Bruneau-Grand View

- Dec. 10: Teriyaki chicken bowl, steamed rice, stir-fry veggies, fruit
- Dec. 11: Beef/bean burrito, romaine & tomato, corn, fruit
- Dec. 12: Corn dog, tots, baby carrots, fresh fruit
- Dec. 16: Chicken & noodles, romaine salad, steamed carrots, fruit
- Dec. 17: Chicken patty/bun, steamed broccoli, fruit



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# Pruett Tire Factory presents first coats



Pruett Tire Factory in Homedale presented about four bags of coats to Homedale Elementary School last week. About 100 coats had been donated at the Homedale store as part of the tire chain’s Coat Drive for Kids & Families. Store manager Joel Wilson said coats will be accepted through the cold months. Coats can be dropped off at either the Homedale store or the Marsing store. Homedale school counselor Randee Garrett said a stash of coats are kept at the elementary school in case teachers or recess monitors see a child who isn’t properly dressed for the weather. The child gets to take the coat home. Fabian Alonzo, who dropped off the Homedale coats to Garrett, said coats collected in Marsing will stay in the Marsing community.

*Left: Fabian Alonzo, right, representing the Pruett Tire Factory Homedale location presents several bags of winter coats to Homedale school counselor Randee Garrett.*

# Time running out to give to Wish Tree, Hands Around Homedale

Homedale schoolchildren will close their annual food drive Thursday as part of the Hands Around Homedale annual community outreach. The food drive, which was developed by Poke Henson decades ago, has had a long association with the Wish Tree, combining the two biggest needs of the holiday season — food and presents under the Christmas tree. The Hands Around Homedale food boxes will be packed at the elementary school from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Friday. Randee Garrett, who is in her 10<sup>th</sup> year as the program coordinator, said fifth- and sixth-graders from the middle school will be on hand to pack boxes Friday. The Homedale Fire Department, which held its annual orange sale Monday, will provide the boxes for the care packages, Garrett said. The food will be distributed to families from 10 a.m. to noon on

Friday at the elementary school, 420 W. Washington Ave. Families that will be served by Hands Around Homedale had until Nov. 14 to submit applications. Garrett said about 60 families will receive assistance, but there are other organizations that are helping out, including:

- Eastern Star
- Homedale FFA
- Saturday’s Shop with a Cop event at Kmart in Nampa at which Homedale Police officers and Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputies took children on a shopping spree before the store opened.
- Silverhawk Realty
- Some individual families have adopted others

All three Homedale schools participated in a monthlong food drive, and one final push was made at Tuesday night’s high school boys’ basketball games. A few years ago, Garrett began holding “learning projects”

to which the applicant families were invited to learn a skill and either donate the product or take it home. The latest project was held Saturday and included a lesson in making crocheted rugs out of rags (basically repurposed fabric scraps or old sheets). The families had the option to finish their project at home and either keep it or give it as a gift. Next Wednesday is the deadline for community members to turn in Wish Tree tags at any of the locations where they found them:

- A&S Lumber
- Homedale Drug
- Homedale Post Office
- Idaho Pizza Co.
- Moxie Java
- Owyhee Lanes
- Paul’s Market

Each tag has a wish for an article of clothing and a gift. The gifts will be distributed on Saturday, Dec. 20.



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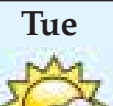
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## SNOTEL report, Owyhee County sensors

	Snow Equiv.	Snow Depth	Year-to-date Precip.	Previous day's temperature		
	(measured in inches)			Max	Min	Avg
				(measured in Fahrenheit)		
<b>Mud Flat</b>						
12/02	0.2	2	2.9	42	31	36
12/03	0.3	1	3.0	44	34	39
12/04	0.2	2	3.3	48	35	40
12/05	0.0	2	3.3	46	31	38
12/06	0.1	2	3.3	49	35	40
12/07	0.0	2	3.3	48	30	39
12/08	0.1	2	3.4	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>Reynolds Creek</b>						
12/02	0.5	1	2.4	41	31	35
12/03	0.4	0	2.4	42	30	36
12/04	0.6	0	2.9	46	36	41
12/05	0.2	0	3.1	47	36	41
12/06	0.2	0	3.1	45	36	41
12/07	0.2	0	3.2	48	34	39
12/08	0.2	0	3.2	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>South Mountain</b>						
12/02	2.5	7	6.6	41	33	36
12/03	2.6	7	6.6	40	33	38
12/04	3.1	8	7.3	43	36	39
12/05	3.0	7	7.3	44	36	40
12/06	2.9	7	7.3	43	38	39
12/07	2.9	7	7.3	46	35	41
12/08	2.9	7	7.3	n/a	n/a	n/a

## Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 5 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 168 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore. at a rate of 15 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 35,728 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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

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

# Homedale FFA'ers place at CDE



*by Jennifer Bautista*  
Chapter reporter

Members from the Homedale FFA chapter participated in the Ag Mechanics and Job Interview Career Development Events (CDEs) last Wednesday at Vallivue High School.

Michael Lejardi, who participated in the Job Interview CDE, finished fourth.

Competing in the Ag Mechanics CDE as a team were Derek Pfof, Fletcher Kelly, Wylee Cooper, Trace Cline and Kayden Turner. As individuals they received much success with Pfof placing fourth in small engines, Kelly placing second in cold chisel repair, and Cooper placing fourth in arc welding.

The chapter donated an FFA tree for the Homedale Festival of Trees, which was held during the week of Thanksgiving at the Homedale Senior Center. Committee members set a budget of \$200 for the tree and focused on blue and yellow decorations symbolizing the official FFA colors. Handmade and small tractors adorned the tree as well. FFA advisor Sue Poland's floral class also donated the Christmas table decorations for the event.

This week, the FFA chapter officers are giving Homedale School District staff members a breakfast to show them how much they appreciate the their teachers for being so understanding when FFA members have to miss school because of events.

***Above left:** The Homedale FFA chapter built an entry for the recent Festival of Trees in Homedale.*



# Toy Drive Tournament

with Farmer's Inn & Fisher's Saloon

*Saturday December 20th*

Fisher's & Farmer's are teaming together to help local families for the holidays! We are hosting a Pool and Dart Tournament to raise money for gifts for families in need, as well as accepting donations of toys and food items for Christmas dinner.

This is an awesome opportunity to help our community and brighten Christmas morning! You can sign up at either bar for the tournament, and drop off toys or food at either bar. **\*\*If you would like to be on the list to receive help, you can go to either bar and we will get your info\*\***

We hope everybody can rally together and make it an amazing Christmas for all!

\$5.00 Buy in for each tournament  
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Dart Sign-ups are @ 11am at Farmer's Inn, tournament starts @ 12pm.  
 Pool Tournament begins directly after darts end, at Fisher's Saloon.  
 Sign up @ 4pm.

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## Senior menus

## Homedale Senior Center

*Bread and milk served every day*

Dec. 10: Sausage/biscuits, country gravy, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli

Dec. 11: Baked fish, potato, peas & carrots

Dec. 16: Spaghetti & meat sauce, string beans

Dec. 17: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes/ gravy, carrots

Dec. 18: Turkey/dressing, yams, peas, mashed potatoes/ gravy

## Marsing Senior Center

Dec. 10: Chicken & noodles, broccoli, roll

Dec. 11: Pork ribs, carrots/peas, potatoes, garlic bread

Dec. 15: Eggs, bacon or sausage, biscuits & gravy

Dec. 16: Smoked sausage, sauerkraut, potatoes, corn bread

Dec. 17: Meatballs, noodles, green bean salad, biscuit

Dec. 18: Turkey or pork, potatoes, cornbread, stuffing, cranberry

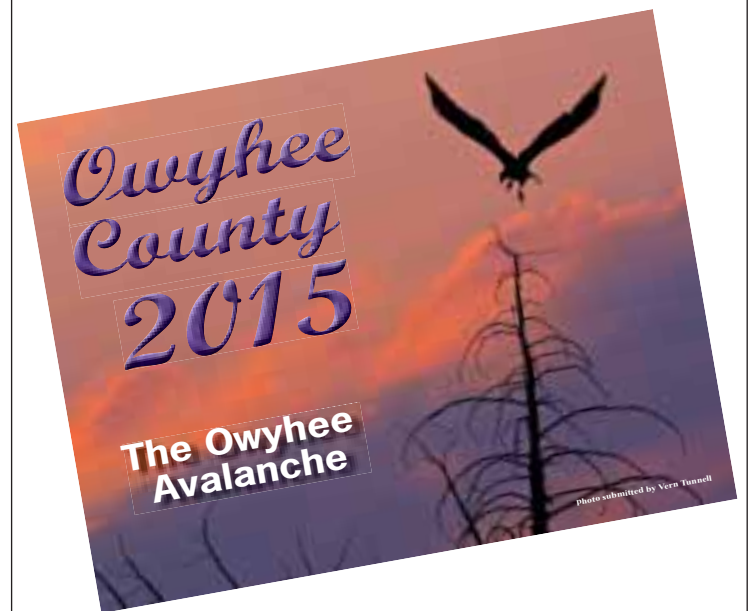
## Rimrock Senior Center

Dec. 11: Potato bar w/ground beef, bacon, cheese, sour cream, baked beans, fresh veggies, garlic bread, pears, oatmeal bars

Dec. 16: Roast beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas, rolls, raspberry cake

Dec. 18: Lasagna, tossed salad, corn, garlic bread, applesauce  
dessert

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Residents have included several gifts on their wish lists, but local “Santas” need only to select one item. Gifts may be gift wrapped and tagged with the number and item selected

Merry  
Christmas

MISC. ITEMS:

Make-up,  
hand held mirrors,  
pillows,  
lotion, candy,  
spill proof cups

Gift  
Drive  
Ends  
Dec. 22

- M1: Tune up for car, xlg t-shirts, xlg sweatsuit, can of nuts
- M2: Tube socks, t-shirts (l), long sleeve western shirt, aftershave, small tool box
- M3: Chave cream, underwear (44), short sleeve shirt (snap 3x long), sweats xlg
- M4: Hooded sweatshirt (xlg), winter coat, undershirt, Spanish movies/music
- M5: Socks, sweatsuit (xlg), cologne, CD player, country gospel music
- M6: T-shirts (xlg), underwear (36), wrangler jeans size 38x30
- M7: Flannel pajama pants (xlg), gloves lg, wool scarf, sliver/gold chain
- M8: 3x long sweatsuit, cologne, socks, xlg card shuffler/holder

- F1: Perfume, slippers (m), hat & scarf
- F2: Sweatsuit (xlg), country music, CD player, candy
- F3: Sweatsuit (m), undershirts (s), lotions, Basque music, teddy bear
- F4: Blouse (m), pants (m), slippers (m), music box, family picture frame
- F5: Old fashioned poem book, Nicholas Sparks book, fleece scarf, book stand
- F6: Pants (m), blouse (m), doll or stuffed animal, music box
- F7: Baby doll, sweater (m), perfume, lotion, Bible (large print)
- F8: Sweater (xlg), undershirt (l), slippers (7.5), perfume, lotion, candy
- F9: Pants/blouse 3x, undershirts, perfume, lotion, murder mystery movies
- F10: Sweatsuit 2x, relaxation CD, musical stuffed animal, books on CD
- F11: Clippers 9, undershirts (m), chocolates, slacks/blouse (m), necklace
- F12: Blouse (xlg), coffee mug w/lid, sugar free candy, giant bingo cards
- F13: Large print books (all types), board game, jewelry
- F14: Red blouse (m), knit dress pant w/elastic waist (m), flashy bracelets, #3 reading glasses
- F15: Blouse/pants (1x), button up sweater 1x, musical stuffed animal, music box
- F16: Jewelry, make-up kit, perfume, digital picture frame, crocheted lap blanket
- F17: Pants/blouse (m), night gown, birds/flower décor for room, jewelry
- F18: Stationary, necklace (23”), BSU gear (4x), lavender scarf, greeting/thank you cards
- F19: Undershirts (l), perfume, animated animal, subscription to Avalanche, fuzzy blanket, blouse/pant (l)
- F20 : Blouse (l), soft chocolates, enlightenment books large print, book stand
- F21: BSU gear 3x, cocoa-butter lotion, perfume, hooded sweatshirt 3x
- F22: Sweatshirt (xlg), E-cig, pajamas tops/bottoms (l), slippers (7)
- F23: Western books, chocolate covered nuts, long sleeve blouse (xlg), book stand
- F24: Pants/blouse (xlg), jewelry, pajama top/bottoms (xlg), slippers (l)
- F25: Shirt/pants (m), clippers 9, hair accessories, perfume, beautiful stuffed animal, music box, blanket

Gifts for residents may be dropped off at the Avalanche office,  
19 E. Idaho Ave., between 8am-noon and 1pm-5pm Monday through Friday.





HFD orange sale benefits burnout fund

Dave Kushlan, left, sells a bag of oranges to Marty Fisher on Monday. The Homedale Fire Department sold 80 cases, which held 72 oranges each for a total of 5,760 pieces of fruit.

Mt. Calvary holds first of two Advent services today

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Homedale begins a series of holiday-related events tonight. The first of two Advent suppers and services will be held at 6 p.m. today at the church, 621 W. Idaho Ave. After a 6 p.m. supper, Pastor Sean Rippey will lead the Advent service at 7 p.m. The same schedule will be

observed next Wednesday. An offering or tithe will be accepted at both events. On Wednesday, Dec. 24, the church will host Christmas Eve services at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call the church at (208) 337-4248 or church president Kelly Aberasturi at (208) 249-4405.

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✓ Lowrys: Former first lady has part in anniversary video

Boise earlier this month. The convention was held Dec. 2-4 at the Riverside Hotel. Farm Bureau president Frank Priestley presented the award to the Lowrys during the annual banquet, which was attended by more than 325 members. Tim Lowry was saluted for a career that included a landmark water rights victory over the federal government. Lowry and fellow Owyhee rancher Paul Nettleton won a U.S. Supreme Court case to preserve stock water rights on public lands throughout the West. The two ranchers, however, still owe legal fees because the courts refused to award attorney's fees to the victors under the Equal Access to Justice Act. Ranchers credit Lowry and Nettleton for preserving their rights, but Lowry points to Farm Bureau's help and support as a key factor in the victory. "I've been there on a number of issues, one I'll never forget is the Farm Bureau being there on the water rights battle and they were one of the first ones in there — the state Farm Bureau and various county Farm Bureaus — helping support us financially," Lowry said. "Without that kind of backing an individual on his own, is out there alone and it's very difficult to stand. With the backing by an organization like the Farm Bureau you do have some opportunity to stand and stand together to prevail." Lowry has been a Farm Bureau member since 1969. The organization began in Idaho in 1939.

"I would encourage (ranchers) to get involved at a much earlier age than I," Lowry said in a video played during the presentation. "I've been a member for a long time, but was rather late getting involved. "I would encourage them to get involved and be a part of Farm Bureau early on. A young person can get involved at the county level and work their way up actually have input and be able to affect the direction of their career." During the presentation, Farm Bureau credited Lowry with changing the face of ranching in the United States. Grand View resident Frances Field, a former state legislator, was featured in a retrospective video tracing the history of Idaho Farm Bureau. Field served as Farm Bureau first lady when her husband, Oscar Field, served as state president from 1973 to 1984. The men who served before and after Oscar — Dale Rockwood and Tom Geary — also appeared in the video. Delegates from 41 of the state's 44 counties debated policy to set the organization's direction on agricultural and natural resource issues in 2015. The delegates adopted new policy on fuel taxes to help improve Idaho's roads and bridges, endangered species with regard to sage grouse, opposed establishment of new free-roaming herds of bison outside Yellowstone Park and adopted new policy language on the establishment of national monuments and wilderness areas.

Mtn. View Nazarene hosts musical events

Mountain View Church of the Nazarene has made plans to mark Christmas and the holidays with music and a message. The church's traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 24. The community is invited to attend. The church is located at 26515 Ustick Road between Homedale and Wilder. The service will include traditional Christmas carols, lighting of the Advent Candle and a short devotion by Pastor Chuck Ryan. The event ends with everyone present lighting candles. On Sunday, Jan. 4, Liberty Quartet will return to the church for a concert. There will be a free will offering for the 10:30 a.m. concert. Royce Mitchell, bass, Philip Batton, tenor, Doug Wiley, lead singer/baritone, and Paul Ellis, baritone/lead, comprise a full-time concert ministry that's based in Boise. The traditional Southern Gospel quartet logs 50,000 to 70,000 annually, performing as many at 150 concerts for churches, nursing homes, prisons and other ministries. More information on the quartet can be obtained by calling (208) 938-9364 or visiting the group's website at [www.libertyquartet.com](http://www.libertyquartet.com).

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New Plymouth halts  
Marsing girls' streak

# Avalanche Sports

Adrian boys win  
tournament title

## Unbeaten Grossman leads Huskies

Two wrestlers picked up 10 of Marsing High School's dozen wins during the Buck's Bags Duals Tournament in Boise.

Senior 220-pounder Noah Grossman was unbeaten in the Huskies' six dual-meet losses against larger schools during the two-day tournament held at Capital High School.

Wrestling at 195 pounds, Mason Hall got each of his four victories by pinfall.

Marsing scored three wins in a 42-18 loss to Weiser. Grossman pinned Kristof Krahn in 1 minute, 30 seconds, and Hall got a second-

half pin. Jesus Duran was awarded six points when the Wolverines forfeited at 170 pounds.

Joseph Ineck pinned Vallivue 138-pounder Andrew Siggelkow in a 48-12 loss to the Falcons. Grossman also had a pin, taking down Colby Farar at the 4:40 mark of their match.

Grossman's 10-2 major decision against Wyatt Silvis was the Huskies' only victory in a 54-4 loss to Nampa.

Cody Barrett pinned Jerome's Seth Vaughn in 68 seconds of the 132-pound match in Marsing's 42-18 setback against Jerome.

Hall pinned Shaun Cahala, and Grossman won the first of three matches listed as exhibitions on [www.trackwrestling.com](http://www.trackwrestling.com) with a 1:55 pin of Cory Mandis.

Hall and Grossman were the lone winners in Marsing's 48-9 loss to Fruitland.

Hall pinned Alex Gonzalez, while Grossman beat Triston Zamora, 10-3.

Hall and Grossman were at it again in a 48-12 loss to Nampa's Columbia.

Grossman pinned Scott McDonald in 3:45, and Hall put Camerino Mora on the mat.



Marsing's Joseph Ineck keeps his eye on the referee as he tries to pin Vallivue's Andrew Siggelkow in a 138-pound match at the Buck's Bags Duals. Photo by Sarah Grossman / Freeze the Day Photography



**Above:** Marsing High School's Rodrigo Acuna, left, takes a shot in the second half of Saturday's game in Homedale as the Trojans' Miguel Montejano avoids the foul and Garrett Carter (5) moves in on defense and Huskies teammates Seth Hardy (4) and Garret Briggs look on. **Below:** Montejano drives the floor.

## Homedale spoils MHS' season opener

### Montejano's 17 leads three double-figure scorers

Offensive surges to end the third and fourth quarters helped Homedale High School hold off rival Marsing in boys' basketball Saturday afternoon.

The Trojans scored the game's final 10 points to beat the Huskies, 60-40, in a non-conference game played in Homedale.

The contest was the season opener for coach Tim Little's Marsing squad, which trailed, 28-25, at halftime despite committing 13 turnovers in the first 16 minutes against the Trojans' full-court press.

"We worked all last week on handling the press, but it didn't show during our game," Little said. "It could have been a lack of experience, but mostly I think it was a lack of discipline in trying to apply what we had been working on all week."

The Huskies crept to within seven points, 37-30, when sophomore Dakota Hardy banked in a three-point goal with 2 minutes, 58 seconds remaining in the third quarter. The trey was half of Hardy's six points in the season opener.



That was the closest Marsing would get for the rest of the contest. The two teams play again Saturday in Marsing.

"(Homedale coach Casey Grove) has his squad playing very well for only being three games into the season. We turn around and play them again on

— See *Opener*, page 16A

## HHS wrestlers big on potential this season

Key wrestlers aren't in camp, but Homedale High School's Toby Johnson is looking forward to his 18th season at the helm.

Johnson leads a team missing top athletes either because of football injuries or a desire not to wrestle, but a core of experienced wrestlers has returned.

"We are young team," the 18th-year coach said. "Most of our kids are underclassmen. We have

talented kids that will help our younger ones grow."

The Trojans start the season Friday with the two-day Calhoun Classic in Nyssa, Ore.

"Each season has a chemistry all its own," Johnson said. "This year is starting out well."

Homedale will be without key upper-weight wrestlers because of

— See *Wrestlers*, page 16A



Homedale's Michelle Castro looks to shoot against Nyssa, Ore.

## Trojans trounce Nyssa girls to continue tear

Castro provides spark before exit

Homedale High School led by as much as 26 points Friday night in nailing down its fifth consecutive girls' basketball victory of the season.

The Trojans held a 15-point advantage at halftime and cruised past visiting Nyssa, Ore., 56-32, in a non-conference encounter.

— See *Girls*, page 17A



# Sports

## Huskies' streak ends when WIC play begins

### NP prevails in conference opener

The freshmen pulled their team even, but Marsing High School couldn't overcome its opponent's surges Thursday.

Visiting New Plymouth used runs of 15-8 and 15-3 near the end of each half to post a 41-29 victory in the 2A Western Idaho Conference opener for both teams.

Marsing saw its season-opening three-game winning streak come to a close, while New Plymouth ended the week at 4-3 overall, 1-1 in conference after dropping a 2A WIC decision to Cole Valley Christian, 35-30, on Saturday.

Shannon Clover hit back-to-back three-point goals near the end of the first quarter to fuel the Huskies' 13-2 run. Shelby Dines dropped in a shot at the start of the second quarter to give coach Jaime Wood's squad a 15-8 advantage.

New Plymouth closed the half with a 15-8 spurt and never trailed again.

Clover would hit only one other shot the rest of the night and never visited the free-throw line.

She was 3-for-18 from the floor for a team-high eight points. Dines scored five points on 2-for-6 shooting before fouling out.

Overall, Marsing connected on just 12 of 46 shots (26 percent), while New Plymouth hit 14 of 38 attempts (36 percent).

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Huskies freshman guard Emerson Sauer scored seven points.

She and fellow ninth-grader Mackenzie Farrens scored consecutive baskets with less than two minutes left in the third quarter to tie the game, 26-26, but the Pilgrims ended the game on a 15-3 run.

Destiny Reynolds also scored five points for Marsing, while Dines had five of her team-leading six rebounds on the Pilgrims' end of the floor.

**Dec. 2: Marsing 42, Wendell 31** — The Huskies handed the host Trojans their first loss of the season, limiting Wendell to eight points in the first half.

Only eight players saw playing time for Marsing with only five players getting into the scoring column.

Clover scored 19 points and led Marsing with five rebounds and three steals. Clover was 3-for-8 from the three-point line.

Guard Emily Tank scored 10 points with four rebounds and two steals, while Sauer dished three assists.

Dines scored six points, while Reynolds had five rebounds and two steals.

Wendell, which had won its first four games, led by four points in the first quarter, but the Huskies led, 12-4, at the end of the stanza and were in control, 20-8, by halftime.

The Trojans were held to their lowest point total so far this season.



Marsing's Destiny Reynolds take a shot near the foul line against New Plymouth. Photo by Dan Pease

## Wrestlers' textile drive ends Sunday

The Marsing High School wrestling team hopes to buy new warm-ups with the proceeds from its ongoing textile drive.

A Clothes for the Cause trailer is parked in the high school gymnasium parking lot, and donations of clothing, shoes, hats, gloves, towels, sheets, blankets, quilts, drapery, purses, belts, rugs and stuffed animals.


The textile drive runs through Sunday.

Clothes for the Cause will pay the wrestling team on a per-pound basis for the textiles returned to the group. Clothes for the Cause, which is owned by Northwest-based Gemtext, helps in the company's focus on sustainability. Unwanted textiles in any condition are recycled and repurposed both in the United States and abroad.

"We are thrilled to be able to help Marsing High School in its time of need," Clothes for the Cause local event planner Shannon Veach said. "Clothes for the Cause Fundraising makes it easy for everyone in our community to contribute by collecting things, free of charge that our friends, family and neighbors already have in their houses."

To arrange pick-up of a donation for the drive, contact Sarah Grossman at 908-1773.

For more on Clothes for the Cause, visit [www.clothesfortheCausefundraising.com](http://www.clothesfortheCausefundraising.com).



# MARSING HUSKIES

## Athlete of the Week

**Mason Hall, fr., wrestling**  
*The Play — The 195-pounder picked up four victories, all by pinfall, during the Huskies' two-day stay at the Buck's Bags Duals in Boise. Hall began the year 4-2, picking up one-third of his team's total victories in six dual meet*

# Go Huskies!



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### Boys' basketball

#### Varsity

Thursday, Dec. 11, home vs. Payette, 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 13, home vs. Homedale, 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, Dec. 16, home vs. New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m.

#### Junior varsity A

Thursday, Dec. 11, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 13, home vs. Homedale, 6 p.m.  
Tuesday, Dec. 16, home vs. New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

#### Junior varsity B

Thursday, Dec. 11, home vs. Payette, 4:30 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 13, home vs. Homedale, 4:45 p.m.  
Tuesday, Dec. 16, home vs. New Plymouth, 4:45 p.m.

### Girls' basketball

#### Varsity

Saturday, Dec. 13 at Nampa Christian, 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, Dec. 16 at Jordan Valley, 5 p.m.

#### Junior varsity

Saturday, Dec. 13 at Nampa Christian, 6 p.m.

### Wrestling

Friday, Dec. 12 at Calhoun Tournament, Nyssa H.S., 3 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 13 at Calhoun Tournament, Nyssa H.S., 8 a.m.  
Tuesday, Dec. 16 at Adrian, Ore., tri-meet vs. Adrian, Homedale, 6 p.m.



Sports

✓ Opener: HHS forces 47 turnovers vs. CV

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Saturday in Marsing, so hopefully we can apply what we practice to that game,” Little said.

“Going up against good 3A teams, like Homedale, will only make us better and put us where we need to be in February.”

Homedale (2-1 at the end of the week) traded baskets with the Huskies in the second half until Dillon Lowder hit a three-pointer and made a steal and drove halfway down the court for a layup with 2:28 left in the game. The flash in Lowder’s otherwise below-average scoring performance helped Homedale end the game on a 10-0 spurt over the final 4½ minutes.

Lowder took only eight shots and finished with nine points, while Miguel Montejano poured in a season-high 17 points and was second on the team to Lowder with four assists. He also had five steals.

Lowder’s late-game steal, one of a team-high seven in the game, was a component of a Trojans’ defense that forced 27 turnovers.

Garret Briggs, Rodrigo Acuna and Jose Ponce were the only

Huskies to score in the fourth quarter. Ponce leaned in for a one-handed jump shot, and he and Acuna hit free throws in Marsing’s modest 6-2 run that bridged the third and fourth quarters.

Ponce fired in a pair of three-point goals and hit three of four free throws to lead the Huskies with 13 points. Briggs added eight points and six rebounds, and Nick Lankow led the board work with 12 rebounds, including eight on Marsing’s end.

The Huskies’ short rally started when Briggs fought for an offensive putback at the buzzer to end the third quarter. Acuna’s free throw with 6:27 to go pulled the Huskies back within nine points, 45-36, but his pair of foul shots and Briggs’ jumper 92 seconds apart later in the quarter would be the final offense for the visitors.

Josh Tolmie slashed the basket at key moments in the second half to score eight of his 10 points, which came on 5-for-7 shooting. He took a Benny Schamber assist aggressively to the basket for Homedale’s first points of the fourth quarter and drove to the

hoop again nearly five minutes later to help with the game-closing spurt. He also had back-to-back driving baskets as part of Homedale’s 6-0 run that was halted by Briggs’ buzzer beater in the third quarter.

Garrett Carter also scored 10 points for Homedale.

**Dec. 4: Homedale 69, Cole Valley Christian 50** — Lowder had 10 of his team’s 25 steals as the Trojans forced 44 turnovers against the visiting Chargers.

Homedale owned a 19-7 lead after the first quarter and then posted 30 points in a wild second quarter for a 16-point advantage at the break.

Lowder connected on 11 of 16 shots (69 percent) for 25 points. He was 9-for-11 inside the three-point line and hit a pair of shots from behind it.

The Carter twins — Garrett and Connor — scored nine points apiece. Montejano and Schamber chipped in six points each.

Lowder and Amos Aguilera had six assists each, while Connor Carter and Kincade Kincheloe led Homedale’s balanced rebounding effort with five boards each.



Homedale Middle School’s Joseph Egusquiza controls his Nyssa, Ore., opponent during Saturday’s 3A SRV-2A WIC Duals in Ontario, Ore. Photo by Machele Randall

HMS dominates at SRV-WIC duals

Ten wrestlers went unbeaten Saturday as Homedale Middle School won nearly three-quarters of its matches at Treasure Valley Community College.

Joseph Egusquiza, Brayden Christoffersen, Jace Love and Caleb Vargas were all 5-0 during the Trojans’ stay in the 3A Snake River Valley conference-2A Western Idaho Conference Duals in Ontario, Ore.

The Trojans dominated their five duals, including a 15-6 win-loss record against a co-op team for Marsing and Weiser.

Kaden Binford, Matthew Randall and Brady Trout were 4-0.

Homedale whitewashed Vale, Ore., 14-0. Other victories came against Nyssa, Ore., (12-6) Payette (15-8) and Parma (16-6).

Spencer Fisher and Jaegar Rose were unbeaten in three matches, while Edgar Navarette went 2-0.

• **4-1** — Isham Farris, Robert Nix, Ivan Cortez, Drew Deal and Ty Atkins. **3-1** — Owen Houser. **3-3** — Brady Steinmetz. **2-2** — German Albor

✓ Wrestlers: Slew of state tournament qualifiers return for Homedale

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injuries and graduation.

Jovan Cornejo, a 170-pounder who was state runner-up last season and placed in the state meet twice, graduated as did three-time state qualifier Michael Deleon, who wrestled at 120.

Andy Montes, a state champion

at 98 pounds last season, makes his return after leading Homedale’s seventh-place finish in the 3A state tournament.

Andrew Randall, a two-time state qualifier who had his junior season derailed by an eye injury, is back for his senior season at 132 pounds

Also back is junior Nash Johnson (138/132), who finished fifth in the state tournament last season for his second medal in as many years.

Other returners include John Collett (jr., 160), Colton Grimm (sr., 195), Shane Keller (so., 145) and Jacob Furlott (so., 120).

Newcomers Toby Johnson expects to make an impact include Jesse Packer, Cobey Christoffersen, Kiefer Cooper and Anthony Beckman.

In all, Johnson, who has been with the program for 19 years overall, and assistant coaches Mark Boothby (eighth year) and

veteran volunteer assistant Jake Levinski have about 24 wrestlers with which to work.

“This is a team with potential,” Johnson said. “We could see several go to State and multiple medals. We will need to keep improving our skills and avoid injuries.”

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## Athlete of the Week

### Miguel Montejano, sr., boys' basketball

The Play — The 5-foot, 7-inch guard averaged 11.5 points in two Trojans victories, including a season-high 17 points on 8-for-13 shooting in Saturday's 60-40 win over Marsing. His four assists and five steals against the Huskies gave him an average of 2.5 assists and 4 steals for the week. He had six points and three steals in a 69-50 win over Cole Valley Christian on Dec. 2.

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Junior varsity  
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Sports

Boys' comeback caps Adrian sweep on opening night

Antelopes win  
Humphreys title  
Saturday; girls get 3rd

With their shooting woes cured, Adrian High School's boys' basketball players ran over Harper/Huntington in Thursday's season opener.

Playing their first game after just three days of practice, the Antelopes warmed up in the final period, overcoming a nine-point deficit in a 52-50 road win against the LocoNets.

Adrian came back on the strength of a 17-6 run through the final period.

Poor shooting and turnovers pushed the Antelopes into an early hole as the team scored no more than 12 points in any of the first three quarters.

Jett McCoy led a balanced offense with 10 points. Tyler Reay and Emmanuel Dominguez scored seven points each, and Reagan Shira and Morgan White chipped in six apiece.

Adrian's starters scored all but five of the team's points.

Reagan Shira had 13 rebounds.

The Antelopes moved to 3-0 after

winning the Paul Humphreys Tip-Off Tournament on Saturday in Fossil, Ore.

Adrian beat Condon-Wheeler, 50-30, on Friday and closed out the title run with a 50-34 victory over Pilot Rock on Saturday.

Adrian plays host to its own Tip-off Tournament on Friday and Saturday. The Antelopes face Monument-Dayville on Friday (6 p.m., girls' game; 7:30 p.m., boys' tip-off).

**Girls**

**Adrian 55, Harper/Huntington 21** — The Antelopes limited the LocoNets to just 17 shots in a 32-minute game to roll in their

season opener on the road.

Three starters reached double-figure scoring for Adrian, including Quincy Pendergrass and Carlee Morton with 13 points each. Andrea Catalan Velez added 10 points with five assists and six steals.

Pendergass led the defensive effort with seven steals. She also had six assists and paced the Antelopes' with four rebounds.

Brook Johnson scored eight points to lead Harper/Huntington.

Adrian (2-1) split its games to finish third in the Humphreys tourney. The Antelopes lost to Condon-Wheeler, 45-36, on Friday and beat Pilot Rock, 44-34, on Saturday.

Coach hopes quickness can carry JV girls

Jordan Valley High School returns every player from the team that finished fourth in the 1A District 8 girls' basketball tournament last season.

In fact, second-year coach Kelsi Skinner has only one new face on the squad for the 2014-15 season — 5-foot, 2-inch freshman guard Cheyenne Davis.

The rest of the group is comprised of:

- **Seniors** — Andi Warn, 5-6, guard; Sharayah Sausser, 5-5, guard; and Breeanna Keller 5-5, forward
- **Juniors** — Jaci Larsen, 5-5, forward; and Morgan Caywood, 5-6, forward
- **Sophomores** — Zoey Warn, 5-7, forward/post; and Alisha Rogers, 5-4, guard

"Each one brings a significant role to the floor, and they all have a lot of heart and desire," Skinner said.

"This makes coaching them fun."

The younger Warn is the tallest player for Skinner and her assistant coach, Mike Skinner.

"Obviously our weakness will be lack of height," Kelsi Skinner said. "I hope our strength is our quickness."

The Mustangs will be a fast-paced team, and Skinner expects an extremely competitive 1A High Desert League season ahead.

Jordan Valley finished 10-11 overall last season.

Jordan Valley girls win opener in OT

Boys overcome one-man scoring threat, beat McDermitt

The girls' basketball season got off to a thrilling start Thursday for Jordan Valley High School.

The host Mustangs needed overtime to beat non-league foe McDermitt, Nev., 79-74, in a game that saw half of the game's starters foul out.

Andi Warn's shot with two seconds left in regulation sent the game into overtime tied, 67-67.

"The game was a nail-biter and back and forth all game long," Jordan Valley second-year coach Kelsi Skinner said. "I am so proud of my girls, every one of them contributed to the win. They kept their head in the game and showed great intensity and fought to the end."

"They are an extremely hard-working group of girls."

Alisha Rogers drained her third three-point shot of the game and connected on five of eight free-throw attempts to push the Mustangs through in the overtime.

She scored eight of the team's 12 points in the extra period and finished with 14 points.

Warn was steady throughout the game, racking up 26 points, while Morgan Caywood came through with a pair of treys and 4-for-4 foul shooting for 21 points.



Nick Eiguren takes a shot as Jordan Valley teammate Lee Stanford (25) looks on. Photo by Tara Echave

The Braves poured in nine three-pointers, including five in a 24-point second quarter that forged a 35-29 lead at the break.

Jordan Valley came back with a 21-point fourth quarter.

Lydia Northrup and Andrea Smart scored 17 points apiece for McDermitt. Northrup was one of two Braves to knock down four three-pointers.

**Boys**

**Thursday: Jordan Valley 53, McDermitt, Nev., 35** — Lee Stanford started his senior season with a double-double as the Mustangs limited the damage to 30 points from the Braves' Sammy Crutcher, who dropped three three-point goals.

"We were working on a new defense," Jordan Valley second-year coach Clint Fillmore said. "I felt most of the time we did all right. (Crutcher) is quick and he can shoot the ball."

With the 6-foot, 4-inch Stanford posting 16 points and 20 rebounds, the Mustangs weren't threatened. Sophomore John Echave chimed in with 13 points.

"We jumped out early and our scoring kind of fell off," Fillmore said. "Nothing would fall for us, but we just kind of maintained."

The Mustangs also completed a fundraiser this weekend. The players cut 11 cords of wood on Juniper Mountain. Proceeds from the sale of the firewood will help finance the team's trip to the Dec. 18-20 Union (Ore.) Booster Club Classic.

Fillmore said the team may also try to buy new road uniforms.

✓ Girls: Trojans surge in second half to edge Cole Valley Christian

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The Bulldogs of the 3A Eastern Oregon League (1-1 overall) are led by former Homedale and Jordan Valley girls' basketball coach Jeremy Chamberlain.

Homedale (6-1) has beaten opponents by an average margin of 23.2 points since Marsing beat the Trojans, 54-48, on Nov. 20.

Tory Lane was perfect from within the three-point line and from the foul line to lead all scorers with 17 points. She also grabbed nine rebounds, including seven on Nyssa's end of the floor, and her only missed shots came on three attempts beyond the three-point line.

Senior Morgan Nash had 11 points, four offensive rebounds

and five steals, and fellow senior Elise Shenk notched eight rebounds and five steals.

Homedale outrebounded the Bulldogs, 16-8, on Nyssa's glass. The Trojans took nearly as many shots in the first half (40) and Nyssa did in the entire game (42).

Trojans' coach Joe Betancourt rested some of his starters in the third quarter, which allowed bench players such as Michelle Castro to turn some heads.

The senior guard played scrappy basketball and scored five points on back-to-back possessions, but left the game with what appeared to be a concussion with 5 minutes, 17 seconds left.

Castro hit the floor face-down with a loud thud in the middle of

the Nyssa key. The crowd, which six minutes in game time earlier had raised a deafening ruckus in response to her three-point goal, fell silent as she lay motionless. Betancourt comforted her, and Castro's mother walked onto the court as her daughter tried to recover.

Eventually a woozy Castro would be helped to the bench where she sat for the rest of the game winning.

She finished with five points and three steals in just 6 minutes, 15 seconds of playing time. Her one assist set up fellow reserve Kerigan Morris' jump shot to give the Trojans a 50-30 lead with 5:40 left in the game.

Kierra Hernandez scored seven points to lead the Bulldogs, while

Regan Hartley and Beatriz Ramirez scored six points each.

**Dec. 2: Homedale 50, Cole Valley Christian 44** — A 16-7 start to the second half helped the Trojans chip away at the Chargers' eight-point lead, and Homedale won the game in the fourth quarter.

After shaking off a 4-for-23 shooting performance in the first half (17 percent), Homedale outscored their visitors, 34-20, over the final 16 minutes.

Tory Lane continued her hot streak at the foul line, dropping six of seven attempts to go along with 5-for-7 shooting inside the three-point line for a co-game-high 16 points.

Lane capped a double-double

performance with seven of her 10 rebounds on Cole Valley's end of the floor. She also had three steals.

Morgan Nash and Elise Shenk scored 11 points apiece, with Shenk knocking down a pair of three-pointers and converting five of eight foul shots.

Hattie Mertz and Tristan Corta scored six points each to round out Homedale's scoring.

Cole Valley's Madison Holly scored 16 points, while teammate Lindy Westerdorf added 10. Holly Golenor grabbed 11 rebounds, including seven on Homedale's end where the Chargers held a 19-7 edge.

Conversely, Homedale dominated on Cole Valley's glass with a 20-6 rebounding advantage.



Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense  
Try Me:  
A rodeo story

When Marvin Garrett nodded his head, no one knew that eight seconds later the Thomas and Mack Arena would be covered with goose bumps.

Marvin drew “Try Me” in the fourth round at the National Finals Rodeo 1989. He marked her out and hung the steel to’er like the rods on a Union Pacific driver! “Try Me” jumped the track! She slid, slipped and rolled around inside her skin! She punched holes in the arena dirt!

Somewhere in the last two seconds Marvin reached his limit. Everything in his firebox ... experience, intuition, talent and training were at full throttle and blowin’ blue smoke! It was then, over the din of 15,000 rabid fans, Marvin reached down inside himself. I heard him whisper, “Yer mine ...”

The hair stood up on the back of my neck. The buckin’ horse went down! From where I sat 60 rows up, it looked like Marvin’s shoulders actually hit the ground! His legs pistoned! The horse exploded! She climbed out of that hold with Marvin stuck to’er like a remora on a shark’s belly.

I don’t believe you could’a cut Marvin loose with an acetylene torch.

The whistle blew. The crowd went wild! Marvin tipped his hat. But if you’d touched him at that moment it would’a been like layin’ your hand on an electric motor. He was hummin’!

Marvin had ridden “Try Me” with all he had left ... will. Will, want to, gumption, grit, whatever it is that allows housewives to lift cars off babies and Samsons to pull down temples.

The crowd waited nervously for the score to be posted. We were nervous because of a loose brick in the façade of rodeo rules which says: hard to ride horses don’t always score the best. Most of us in the arena that night would have been disgruntled but not surprised if Marvin’s ride had scored out of the money. Style often counts more than difficulty.

But rodeo is not like making a centerpiece out of angel hair and glitter. We’re talkin’ about a horse that can buck you off and a cowboy that claims she can’t. That’s how rodeo began, and that night at the National Finals the judges didn’t forget it.

Marvin and his pardner “Try Me” scored an 82 ... good for top money in the go round. They deserved it.

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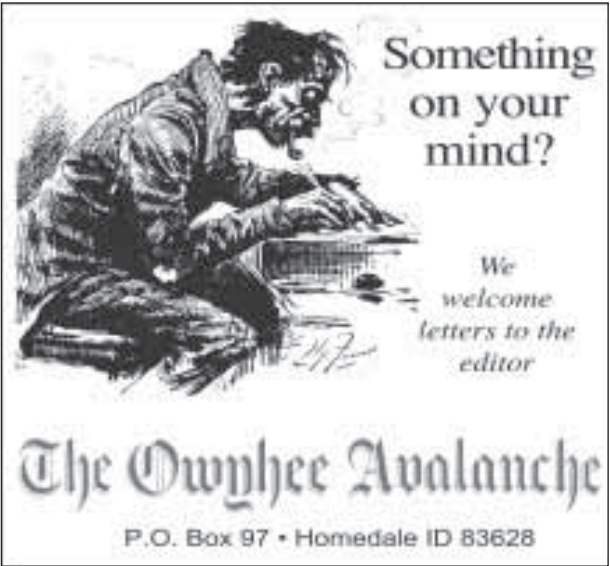
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Letter to the editor  
Teachers deserve raises  
as much as Lt. Gov. Little

Dec. 1, the Idaho Press-Tribune had another article about how Lt. Gov. Brad Little is ready to move up to governor if needed. Surprisingly, this is the second article within a week about the possibility of Brad Little becoming governor. The article related how Little works full-time at the part time-position of lieutenant governor for his “low-paid” salary of \$35,700, that will rise to \$42,275 in January. This raise is due to all the work needed for a smooth transition to governor.

In comparison, my husband who has “glinting blue eyes,” too, has begun his 11<sup>th</sup> year of teaching, holds a masters degree-plus, but has yet to see a salary of \$40,000. He is required to continually take and pay for classes in order to maintain his teaching certificate. He works hard, leaves home at 6:30 a.m. and returns home about 6 p.m. Beyond striving to improve his teaching, he is always on the alert for small incentives for his students. Further, for those children who don’t have birthday treats to share with classmates, something always magically appears before the end of that child’s special day.

I take nothing away from Brad Little and the hard work he does at his “low-paying” job of lieutenant governor. My intention is to point out that hundreds of teachers toil daily at their low-paying jobs. These teachers make a difference



to youngsters, teaching, encouraging and supporting them intellectually, socially, and emotionally to be all they can be, and to one day give back to their community, state, country and world.

It will be interesting to see how hard our new state school superintendent and 2015 legislators work to “turn over every rock and shake every tree” to improve the salaries of our low-paid, hard-working Idaho teachers.

Nancy Belknap  
Homedale

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington  
EPA rules will hurt economy  
without helping environment



Concerns with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) proposed mandate to severely limit power plants emissions were heard loud and clear when I met directly with Idahoans recently in a series of town hall meetings. The proposed rule threatens to impose significant, unnecessary costs on Idaho consumers while doing little to improve the environment. Implementing a diversified energy plan that reduces environmental risks while improving domestic energy production is a far better course of action.

The central pillar of President Obama’s carbon emissions reduction plan, largely focused on using the President’s executive authority to bypass Congress, tasks the EPA with issuing regulations to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from future and current power sources. Earlier this year, the EPA published its proposed regulations seeking to achieve a 30 percent reduction in carbon dioxide emissions, compared to 2005 levels, by the year 2030. The proposed rule mandates that states develop plans to meet emissions reduction targets that would total the nationwide 30 percent reduction goal. The EPA intends to finalize the rule by June 2015. Following that timeline, states would be required to submit their emissions reduction plans by June 2016.

Our state, which is one of the lowest carbon dioxide emitters and top producers of renewable energy in the country, is tasked with coming up with a plan to reduce already low carbon dioxide emissions by approximately 32 percent. Additionally, as Idaho receives a portion of its electricity needs from coal-fired power plants in neighboring states, costs associated with meeting emissions reduction targets in other states could be passed on to Idaho ratepayers. In an October economic analysis from NERA Economic Consulting, Idaho is among 43 states that will have double-digit electricity price increases, and compliance costs are estimated at \$366 billion to \$469 billion over the next 15 years.

The North American Electric Reliability Corp. (NERC), tasked by Congress with assessing the reliability of North America’s power system, recently cautioned that the

implementation timeline of the EPA’s proposed reductions creates power reliability challenges that could result in “wide-scale, uncontrolled outages.” NERC reported, “The proposed timeline does not provide enough time to develop sufficient resources to ensure continued reliable operation of the electric grid by 2020.”

The claimed benefits of this rule do not outweigh its costs. According to the American Coalition For Clean Coal Electricity (ACCCE) “Climate Effects Paper,” from June 2, the proposed regulations are only expected to result in a less than 0.5 percent reduction of carbon dioxide concentrations and a reduction of 0.016 degree in the global average temperature rise. Further, ACCCE indicates that sea level rise will be reduced by the thickness of three sheets of paper. None of this will affect China and others’ continued increased emissions.

Protecting and improving our environment is an objective shared by many, but EPA regulations must be grounded in science, protect our quality of life and provide the greatest benefit to both the environment and people without harming our economy. The climate change proposals issued by President Obama, however, will likely have serious economic consequences while yielding few environmental benefits if fully implemented. The Administration’s proposals threaten the utilization of our own traditional, affordable energy sources and increase the cost of electricity.

America must pursue an “all of the above” approach, which should include a robust expansion of nuclear energy production, hydroelectric power, and other promising renewable and emissions-reducing technologies. By expanding and diversifying our energy portfolio, we can reduce risks to the environment, promote a strong domestic energy sector and increase our energy security.

— 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

### Fun, frugality can make Christmas joy on a budget

**Dear Dave,**  
My wife and I are still paying off debt, so we didn't budget anything for Christmas. How much do you think we should spend on close friends and family members?

— Dan

**Dear Dan,**  
Not having a budget for Christmas probably isn't a great idea if you want to have a happy marriage! It's really not that difficult. I don't know if there's a certain amount that works for everyone, because everybody's circumstances are different. But you must have a plan when holidays or other special occasions come along — especially when you're trying to get out of debt.  
If you have kids, you certainly need to budget for them. They may not get everything they want, but there's no reason there can't be *something* from Santa under the tree. You also need to budget a little something for your spouse.

The good thing is you can have a little fun with these gifts and make them more from the heart than the wallet.  
What if you gave your wife a coupon that says you'll cook a real dinner for her and the kids once a week for the next three months? Or perhaps it's a voucher for a free back rub any time she's feeling stressed and tired. Maybe you could find a nice but inexpensive frame and put a favorite picture of the two of you inside. Things that come from the heart, or that include little acts of kindness or serving the other person, can go a long way. Those kinds of things are especially meaningful to most folks during the holiday season.  
Trust me, Dan. You can have a wonderful, loving, quality Christmas without spending a lot of money. You'll have to spend a little here and there, but just make sure it's an amount that's appropriate for your financial situation. If you're making



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\$200,000 and trying to get out of debt, that's one thing. But if you're making \$20,000 a year and trying to get out of debt, you need to do things that are creative and don't require a lot of cash!

— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
My husband and I are looking at getting a second vehicle. We

found one we like, and it's in great shape, but they're asking more than we can afford to pay. How do you make a low offer without making someone angry or insulting them?

— Angela

**Dear Angela,**  
It's always a smart move to try and stay on the seller's good side. You want to be classy and diplomatic, and *never* point out the bad things about an item someone's selling just to drive down the price. If you insult their merchandise or insinuate the price is unfair, you're likely to blow the whole deal right off the bat.  
How about this? Tell them it's a fine vehicle, and their price is fair, but the amount they're asking is outside your budget. Let them know how much you want to work out a deal, but, in order for it to fit into your lifestyle, you can only pay a certain amount. You might throw in that a lot of

people are selling things right now because of the economy, and you're just looking for the very best deal.  
Maybe that, and letting them know you're standing there with money in hand, will help swing this thing in your favor. Good luck, Angela!

— 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. Dave's next book, The Legacy Journey, is now available. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the Web at daveramsey.com.*

## Americans for Limited Government

### Fighting amnesty: Send green card processing funds to schools

by Robert Romano

In response to the White House's executive amnesty of 4.5 million illegal immigrants with U.S.-born children, House Republicans may be about to offer a two-part funding bill.  
The plan would fully fund the government through Sept. 30, 2015, except for agencies that spend money implementing the amnesty, like the Department of Homeland Security, which would only be funded for a few months.  
The rationale for the strategy is that a short-term funding bill will offer Republicans more of an opportunity to deal with the issue when they reclaim the Senate in January. This makes some sense, but why not just do a short-term funding measure for everything then? Surely they could affect all other areas of policy, too, early next year just by moving all funding questions to 2015.  
How about this? By far the most egregious part of President Obama's amnesty will be the issuance of work permits and legal status to those who broke the

law by either jumping the border or overstaying their visas.  
So why not defund green card processing down to zero — all of it — and instead give the money to schools being overwhelmed by the influx of illegal immigrants? It would be to those schools most adversely impacted in high-density population areas like Los Angeles, New York City, and Chicago.  
If the management of Congress could for a moment open their eyes, they might see the possibilities of what could be achieved through such a maneuver.  
Would Obama really veto a package that offers millions of dollars to beleaguered public schools? Even if he did, what has he gained politically?  
Democrats in Congress might vote against overriding such a veto, but then, what have they gained? The message would be that they don't care about what schools — a core Democrat constituency — are going through as a result of the ongoing illegal immigration amnesty.  
What's not to like? If nothing else, these would be tough

votes for Democrats in Congress, and give Republicans an opportunity to outreach to a constituency they'd very much like to bring under their tent — particularly the parents of the kids who go to those schools.  
They can say they are not going to sit idly by while our public systems are being overwhelmed by a policy magnet for millions more to come here in the hopes of staying.  
In the meantime, Republicans will have kept their word to their constituents who just voted to sweep them into the majorities in the House and Senate by defunding the amnesty.  
They can draw a line in the sand and say no. And they will win. Even if Obama vetoes it, they will win.  
The point is, Republicans can use issues like the Obama amnesty — tied to issues Democrats profess to care about, like the schools which are hurt by it — and turn the politics surrounding the executive actions on its head.  
Just a thought.  
— *Robert Romano is the senior editor of Americans for Limited Government.*

## Contacting elected officials

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**Washington, D.C., office**  
239 Dirksen Senate Building  
Washington, DC 20510  
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# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

### December 13, 1989

#### Computer drive nearing goal

As of Monday, some \$108,470 in retail sales receipts had been turned into Homedale Elementary School authorities under the “Computers for Kids” program, HES Principal Herb Fritzley reported.

Participating Homedale merchants have pledged to buy two Apple computers for elementary classroom use in exchange for every \$125,000 in sales receipts from their combined stores that are collected by school district patrons.

#### Stagecoach to be restored

On Tuesday, November 14, 1989, Mike Hanley of Jordan Valley, Oregon, completed a stagecoach journey that began in June of 1973. In that year, he drove the restored stagecoach from Jordan Valley to Murphy to help celebrate the 1973 Outpost Day. Hanley, who owned the stage, allowed the museum to display the stagecoach in its Equipment Yard. Since then, thousands of schoolchildren along with countless museum visitors have admired the stage. On Tuesday, Hanley loaded the stage onto a trailer and returned it to his ranch near Jordan Valley.

While Mike Hanley was in Murphy, he was presented with a special framed enveloped. During this year’s Outpost Days, this letter was sent by stagecoach from Jordan Valley to Murphy. The envelope was one of two hundred limited edition envelopes that were signed by the stage driver, the shotgun rider and the outriders. Hanley was honored with letter number one by Bill Detweiler, the president of the Owyhee County Historical Society. Mike Humeston, co-Outpost Day Chairman, was presented with envelope number two later in the day. Other envelopes of this type are available at the museum in Murphy.

#### Jazz band scores high

The Homedale High School Jazz Band, a 14-member group, scored a composite 18, two points away from a “one” rating, at the District III Instrumental Jazz Festival at Nampa High School last Thursday, according to David Smyth, HHS band director. “The lower the score, the better the performance,” he explained about the grading system.

#### Maria Begay named MVP

The Hi-Desert Shoot-out tournament in the Jordan Valley High School gym attracted teams from Marsing, Adrian, North Powder and host, Jordan Valley.

The Friday girls’ games saw Adrian win over Marsing and Jordan Valley over North Powder. In boys’ games, Marsing defeated Adrian and Jordan Valley beat North Powder.

The championship games were played on Saturday, and the Marsing girls defeated North Powder and the Jordan Valley girls outplayed Adrian for the top spot.

The Marsing boys won over Jordan Valley and North Powder lost to Adrian, giving Marsing boys top honors that day. Named most valuable player for the boys was Jaime Wood of Marsing and Maria Begay of Jordan Valley for the girls.

#### Demshar named top alfalfa seed producer

Fred Demshar, Jr. of Homedale was recently selected as the only recipient from the Idaho region for the Outstanding Alfalfa Producer award presented by the National Certified Alfalfa Seed Council. There are an estimated 500-700 alfalfa seed growers in the state, according to Mike Finke, production manager for the western division of AgriPro, a multi-national seed company.

Demshar grew up in the Homedale area and farmed with his father in the 1950s. Along with his son, John, and a partner, Charles Turner, Jr., Demshar currently farms some 400 acres southwest of town. He also serves as president of the Idaho Alfalfa Commission.

The local man was one of the first alfalfa seed growers to use leafcutter bees for pollination of alfalfa seed. His intensive farm practices and integrated pest management techniques have made him one of the top certified alfalfa seed producers in the U.S., Finke noted.

## 50 years ago

### December 10, 1964

#### C of C elects three new directors at Tues. meeting

Three new directors, Homer Anderson, Clint Smith and Leonard Flahiff, were elected at the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce Tuesday noon at El Gavilan.

The election committee, Les Carter and Frank Matteson, conducted the election and announced the results of the balloting.

Holdover directors are Herman Koenig, Jim Duncan, Vic Uria and Bill Bredy.

The annual visit of Santa Claus was announced for Saturday, December 19, at 1:30 o’clock on 1<sup>st</sup> street West in Homedale. Treats for the children will again be distributed by Santa Claus who will arrive on the fire truck with volunteer firemen assisting him in distributing candy.

Homedale Christmas lights were turned on Monday night for a trial run, and Homer Anderson reported that two strings of lights went out. He said the city crew is checking to see if its backhoe equipment is suitable to raise workmen high enough to install and repair the lights.

Secretary Kenneth Downing reported the purchase of 12 dozen new colored bulbs, and urged a work night to build new light strings for increasing the Christmas lighting.

Downing also read minutes of the previous meeting.

#### Gem Irrigation Dist. directors elected Tuesday

Edwin Stansell, director of the Gem Irrigation District representing Division 4, and Ed Parr, from Division 5, were re-elected Tuesday, Dec. 8 at the directors election, according to Felisa Echevarria, treasurer of Gem Irrigation District.

Both were unopposed and will serve for a term of 3 years. Stansell is presently chairman of the South Board of Control.

Results of the election were: At the precinct voting at the American Legion hall, 9 votes for Stansell and 9 votes for Parr; at South Board of Control office, 14 for Stansell and 15 for Parr and in the Marsing precinct, 13 for Stansell and 13 for Parr, making the total of votes cast, 37.

Election judges at the Gem Irrigation office were Mildretta Adams, Florence Stimmel, and Mrs. Clark Maybon. Judges at the American Legion hall were Emma Henry, Dora Upton and Amy Adams. Election judges at the Wo-He-Lo clubhouse in Marsing were Anna Moore, Ruby Maxwell and Emma Johnstone.

#### Martin graduates at Air Force school

Dennis Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin of Owyhee Heights, returned home Friday, Dec. 4, after completing 17 weeks of training in the technical school at Amarillo, Texas, where he was stationed with the Air Force.

Dennis graduated as 3<sup>rd</sup> highest, in a 13-year period, from the jet mechanic school, and carried a 96% average.

His brother, Ronal Martin, was transferred Nov. 21 to Amarillo, Texas, where he will also go to the jet mechanic school. The two boys were also able to spend Thanksgiving together.

#### Trojans dump Nampa C. 46-38 in season opener

The Trojans of Homedale started off the basketball season in a winning way by dumping Nampa Christian 46-38 at Homedale Saturday night.

After taking an 11-8 first quarter lead, the Trojans thwarted several Nampa rallies which saw the visitors go ahead at the end of the third quarter 30-28. The half-time score was 23-22 in favor of Homedale. The Trojans in winning this game gained revenge for an upset by Nampa last year which saw the Trojans’ seven-game winning streak snapped.

Scoring honors went to Homedale’s Tony Maher, the 6-foot center, hitting for 18 points. Runner-up honors went to two 6-foot guards, Larry Stansell and Brian Johnstone, who hit 8 and 14 points respectively to help the Trojans win.

## 140 years ago

### December 12, 1874

SCHOOL MATTERS. Following is a synopsis of the Annual Report of Wm. Stacey, Esq., Superintendent of Public Schools, in Owyhee County, for the school year ending August 31<sup>st</sup>, 1874:

Number of organized districts in the county, 3; number of school houses, 3; number of boys between 5 and 21 years of age, 129; number of girls between 5 and 21 years of age, 114. Total number of children between 5 and 21 years of age, 243. Number of scholars, 80; average attendance, 31. Cash paid for teachers’ salaries, \$2,023.95. Cash paid for school sites, buildings, repairs and school furniture, \$447.67. Cash paid for rent, fuel and contingent expenses, \$343.05. Cash on hand in the School Fund, August 31<sup>st</sup>, \$754.72.

Superintendent Stacey made an apportionment of the school money on hand in the County Treasury on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November last, as follows: For District No. 1, \$399.87; District No. 2, \$239.93; District No. 3, \$169.96.

From present indications, it seems to be certain that the School Fund for the current year will be inadequate for the support of our schools, unless the School-tax be raised by the County Commissioners when the proper time arrives.

The number of children in the county is rapidly increasing, and ample provision should be made for their education.

Some radical changes are needed in the Territorial School Law, which, it is to be hoped, will not be overlooked by the Legislature now in session.

FROM BRUNEAU. Col. George W. Hill was in from Bruneau Valley and left for home again to-day. He informs us that they have had a greater quantity of warm rain out there this fall than was ever known before, which has started the grass to growing green and nice in the foot hills. The Col.’s better half has been appointed Postmistress at Bruneau, and they have hopes of soon being able to have, at least, a weekly mail furnished them from Silver City. Bruneau River is up to high water mark, something that the “oldest inhabitant” never before witnessed at this season of the year.

PLACER MINING. Dr. Newsom is enjoying a vacation from office work by opening up a set of placer claims on a flat near the road leading across the mountain from the Golden Chariot Mill to the Halfway House. He has well nigh completed the blasting out of the tail race, and informs us that he gets a very good prospect, and thinks his ground will pay handsomely when the water starts in the spring. The doctor is a good miner as well as a good tooth carpenter.

GOOD TIME. George W. Baker’s mule teams brought freight into town to-day, having only been 13 days in making the trip from Winnemucca. This is remarkably good time for this season of the year, or indeed for any season of the year. But then, George is an unusually good rustler, and has got the freighting business figured down to a scratch.

GOVERNOR BENNETT’S MESSAGE. The document is crammed full of sound sense and practical suggestions which, if heeded by the present Legislature, will redound to the benefit of the whole Territory. Owing to the great length of the Message and the limited space at our command, we cannot do more than glance rapidly at its contents.

The Governor enjoins the Legislature to enact a law to provide for carrying into effect the law of Congress in relation to the election of Councilmen. Then follows many good and practical suggestions on retrenchment and reform, which, if carried into effect, would save the people of the Territory several thousands of dollars annually.

It is recommended that a change be made to the law concerning District Attorneys, in order that each county may elect its own Prosecuting Attorney. This is a wise suggestion, and we hope it will be attended to by our law makers.



# Public notices

## SYNOPSIS OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES November 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2014

**November 3**  
Approved Roll Clerk hire for the Assessors Office of Rachelle Fahey at \$13.04 per hour, grade 6.

Approved the Detention Deputy hire for the Sheriff’s Office of Kyle Pearson at \$14.76 per hour, grade 8.

Approved 2015 Drinking Water Contract between the community of Murphy and Dennis Rogers.

Approved a catering permit for Fisher’s Saloon on November 15, 2014 from 5:00 pm to 11:59 pm for the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association.

Paid all outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$39,211 Road & Bridge \$712 District Court \$4,925 Probation \$1,446 Indigent & Charity \$20,853 Jr. College Tuition \$10,500 Revaluation \$251 Solid Waste \$4,771 911 \$5,741 County Vessel \$23 Waterways \$6 Off Highway Vehicles \$23 Economic Development \$230

Withdrew Indigent & Charity case 14-43.

Withdrew appeal of Indigent & Charity case 14-15.

Withdrew appeal of Indigent & Charity case 14-28.

Approved juniper mastication contract with Branch Enterprises.

Approved a letter to Dan Steenson with Sawtooth Law Offices regarding the Grand View canal right of way application.

Approved a letter to Rocky Mountain Power and Idaho Power regarding the scoping comment on the gateway West Project segments 8 & 9.

Approved a letter to Idaho Congressional members regarding the request for extension on the comment period for the draft total maximum daily load for mercury in the waters of Jordan Creek.

**November 10**  
Approved a Certificate of Residency to the College of Southern Idaho for Nash Johnson.

Approved the vote for appointment of Craig Hanson as Southwest District Health Department Commissioner, replacing Kathryn Alder.

Approved Resolution 2014-32; Destruction of records for certain office of the Owyhee County Courthouse.

Approved Road and Bridge part time hire of J.C. Fuquay, starting at \$14.00 per hour.

Placed a lien on Indigent & Charity case 14-44.

Approved the amendment of the determination of approval for Indigent & Charity case 14-26.

Approved a letter to the EPA regarding the *Waters of the US Proposed Rulemaking* comment.

Approved the Advertisement for Bids for the 2015 aggregate crushing project for Road & Bridge #1 and #3.

**November 17**  
Paid all outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$49,772 Road and Bridge \$47,087 District Court \$1,804 Probation \$717 Health District \$4,531 Historical Society & Museum \$2,439 Junior College Tuition \$7,650 Revaluation \$190 Solid Waste \$11,058 Weeds \$9,371 911 \$13,354 County Vessel \$659 Waterways \$151 Off Highway Vehicles \$72 Economic Development \$626

Approved a pay request for Darla Downs as part time DMV

employee, grade 5, \$12.29 per hour. Placed a lien on Indigent & Charity case 14-45.

Approved Indigent & Charity case 14-45.

Approved Resolution 2014-33; close Bachman Road and Silver City Road for automobile travel due to icy, snow and weather conditions, until further action of the Board of Commissioners.

**November 24**  
Approved a letter to Idaho Department of Parks & Rec’s requesting retention of county vessel funds for later use in the summer of 2015.

Approved the 2014 – 2015 CenturyLink E911 maintenance contract. Approved 2 Certificates of Residency to CWI for Jacky King and Victoria Nash. Placed a lien on Indigent & Charity case 14-46. Denied Indigent & Charity case 14-44.

The complete minutes can be viewed online at <http://www.owyheecounty.net> or in the Clerk’s office.

12/10/14

**REQUEST FOR BID**  
Owyhee County is currently seeking competitive bids to replace five (5) furnace units located at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy.

The bids are to include all materials and installation. A workers compensation certificate, public works license and proof of liability insurance must be provided prior to the start of work. The bids are to be sealed and mailed or physically delivered to the Owyhee County Clerk no later than close of business on December 12, 2014.

Opening of bids will commence at 10:00 a.m., December 15, 2014 at the Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2. Owyhee County reserves the right to accept the most appropriate bid or reject any and all bids submitted.

Mailing Address: Angela Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk, PO Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650. Physical Address: 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID.

Additional information and specifications may be obtained by contacting Brett Endicott, Owyhee County Assessor at 208-337-5522 or 208-495-2817.

12/3,10/14

**NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT DUE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ACCORDING TO SECTION 43-707, IDAHO CODE, assessments of the Grand View Irrigation District 2014, Irrigation season are due and payable and will become delinquent at five o’clock p.m. on the twenty day of December 2014. Payment must be made in lawful money of the United States, negotiable bank draft or cashier’s check. Payment may be made in person at the Irrigation District Office or mailed to the District: Dixie McDaniel, Secretary, PO Box 9, Grand View, ID 83624

12/10,17/14

**NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT DUE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that assessments levied by the Gem Irrigation District in 2014, for 2015, by virtue of the public notice given by the Bureau of Reclamation under Owyhee Project contract requires that payment is due in full before water will be delivered.

This assessment will become delinquent and subject to a penalty and interest unless paid before

**CITY OF MARSING**  
Quarterly Expenditure & Revenue Report  
**4th FISCAL QUARTER, FY 2013/2014**

FUND	BUDGET AMOUNT	Expended to Date	% of Budget Expended	Revenue to Date	% of Budget Revenue
01 General	\$451,571.00	\$170,119.00	38.00%	\$276,752.00	61%
Law Enforcement	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%
02 Roads & Streets	\$171,930.00	\$99,071.00	58.00%	\$85,783.00	50.00%
03 Parks	\$23,162.00	\$17,098.00	74.00%	\$22,895.00	99.00%
05 Planning & Zoning	\$23,500.00	\$9,634.00	41.00%	\$5,502.00	23.00%
Sub-Total	\$670,163.00	295,922.00	44.00%	\$390,932.00	58.00%
25 Water	\$800,700.00	\$304,641.00	38.00%	\$408,790.00	51.00%
29 Irrigation	\$60,925.00	37,883.00	62.00%	\$37,092.00	61.00%
30 Sanitation	\$85,150.00	\$78,013.00	92.00%	\$88,354.00	104.00%
35 Sewer	\$447,500.00	411,289.00	92.00%	\$250,206.00	55.00%
Sub-Total	\$1,394,275.00	\$831,826.00	51.00%	\$784,442.00	56.00%
<b>TOTAL (all funds)</b>	<b>\$2,064,438.00</b>	<b>1,127,748.00</b>	<b>54.00%</b>	<b>\$1,175,374.00</b>	<b>56%</b>

The General Public is invited to inspect all supporting documents for the above Financial Statement at City Hall during regular business hours.

Financial figures may include fund transfers, service charges, refunds, reimbursements and other accounting procedures.

Publish: **10 DEC.2014** Janice C. Bicandi, City Clerk-Treasurer

5:00 p.m. on each one-half due date. Provided the first half of the assessment may be paid on or before December 22, 2014 and the remainder, or second half paid on or before March 16, 2015, or the delivery of said water will be withheld.

Payment of the assessment may be made to the Gem Irrigation District, in the City of Homedale, County of Owyhee, Idaho, during office hours of any business day or mailed to P.O. Box 67, Homedale, ID 83628.

Connie Chadez, Secretary/ Treasurer, Gem Irrigation District

12/10,17/14

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV2014-354M IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**  
MAGISTRATE DIVISION  
In the Matter of the Estate of **L. LONNIE GODLEVSKY**, Deceased.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JUANITA F. GODLEVSKY has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must both be presented to the Personal Representative of the estate, at the law offices of WHITE PETERSON GIGRAY & NICHOLS, P.A., 5700 East Franklin Road, Suite 200, Nampa, ID 83687 and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2014.

By Wm. F. Gigray, III, Phone (208) 466-9272 Fax (208) 466-4405 ISB No. 1435 [wfg@whitepeterson.com](mailto:wfg@whitepeterson.com), Attorneys for Personal Representative

12/10,17,24/14

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE No. CV-2014-0390 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**  
In the Matter of the Estate of HARRY LEE MELTON, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the Personal Representative, KAREN RANAE JOLLEY, at 3682 River Road, Homedale, Idaho, 83628, and filed with the above-entitled Court.

DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2014.

Karen Ranae Jolley, Personal Representative, 3682 River Road, Homedale, ID 83628

FRANK W. STOPPELLO, ATTORNEY AT LAW By Frank W. Stoppello, Attorney for Personal Representative, 620 West Hays Street, Boise, Idaho 83702 Phone (208) 336-1020 Fax (208) 336-1027 Idaho State Bar No. 1270

12/10,17,24/14

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE CASE NO. CV2014-0352 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**  
MAGISTRATE DIVISION  
In the Matter of the Estate of: HELEN D. SULLENS, Deceased.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That United States of America, acting through the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development has filed herein a Petition for Adjudication of Intestacy and Formal Appointment of Personal Representative, a copy of which is on file with the above entitled Court in the above captioned estate pursuant to the statutes of the State of Idaho applicable thereto.

A hearing has been set upon said Petition on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014 at 11:00 o’clock a.m., at the courtroom of the above entitled Court in Murphy, County of Owyhee, State of Idaho.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2014.

FOUSER LAW OFFICES, P.A.

/s/Scott E. Fouser, Attorney for Petitioner, PO Box 606, Caldwell, ID 83606. Phone 208-454-2264 Fax 208-454-0136

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**STATE OF IDAHO NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING FOR POTENTIAL OIL AND GAS LEASING**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Board of Land Commissioners of the State of Idaho has received application and is considering leasing land for oil and gas in Cassia, Gem, Owyhee, Twin Falls, and Washington counties. The Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) will accept written comments until 5 p.m., Dec. 18, 2014, and hold a public meeting on Dec. 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Garnet West Conference Room, IDL, 300 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 103, Boise, Idaho, 83702.

To submit comments in writing, e-mail them to [comments@idl.idaho.gov](mailto:comments@idl.idaho.gov) – Subject: Oil & Gas, or send them to the Idaho Department of Lands, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0050.

Tract descriptions covering the sites considered for leasing, as well as additional information concerning oil and gas lease auctions, can be obtained by writing the Idaho Department of Lands, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0050, telephoning (208) 334-0200, or looking on our website at [www.idl.idaho.gov](http://www.idl.idaho.gov)

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WHAT’S THE SCORE?

The Avalanche wants to promote news of Owyhee County’s sports teams. Call to find out how to get your scores in the newspaper.

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The Owyhee Avalanche



# Public notices

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

T.S. No. 019382-ID / APN: RPB0020002001CAOn3/16/2015 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), AT THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOBBY, 20381 HIGHWAY 78, MURPHY, ID 83650, in the County of Owyhee, CASPER J. RANKIN, ESQ., a member of the State Bar of Idaho, of PITE DUNCAN, LLP, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: THE NORTH HALF OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY: LOTS 1, 2, AND 3, ALL IN BLOCK 2, BUTTE TOWNSITE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT NOW ON RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, AND NOW KNOWN AS LOTS 1, 2, AND 3 OF ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, OF REVISED MAP OR PLAT OF THE VILLAGE OF MARSING, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF OWYHEE COUNTY, STATE OF IDAHO, ON THE 9TH DAY OF MARCH, 1946, AND ALL IN LOT 5 OF SECTION 34 OF TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 117 1ST STREET N, MARSING, ID 83639, is commonly associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by VICTOR MARTINEZ AND FRANCISCA OCAMPO, HUSBAND AND WIFE as Grantor(s), to PIONEER TITLE as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC., SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN FINANCIAL CORP., AN OP. SUB. OF MLB&T CO.,

FSB, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS as Beneficiary, dated 2/28/2007, recorded 3/2/2007, as Instrument No. 260038, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please note: The above named Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for the obligation. The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to make monthly payments when due from 4/1/2014 and all subsequent monthly payments thereafter, including installments of principal, interest, impounds, advances, plus any charges lawfully due under the note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust, Deed of Trust and as allowed under Idaho Law. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust as of 10/31/2014 is \$69,020.89, including interest, costs, fees, including trustee and/or attorney fees and costs, and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation thereunder or in this sale and to protect the security associated with the Deed of Trust, as authorized in the Note, Deed of Trust or as allowed under Idaho Law. Because interest, late charges, fees, costs and expenses continue to accrue, the total amount due varies from day to day. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after receipt of funds to satisfy the debt. For further information, write the Trustee at 4375 Jutland Drive, Ste. 200, San Diego, CA 92117, or call (858)750-7600 DATED: 10/31/14  
12/3,10,17,24/14

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On March 19, 2015 at the hour of 10:30AM, of said day, on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650. Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check, certified check or tellers check, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County

of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: Lot 3, Block 2, Owyhee Addition To Homedale, Idaho, No. 1, Owyhee County, ID THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESSES OF: 718 Marion Drive, Homedale, ID 83628 also shown of record as 718 Marion Street, Homedale, ID 83628, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by Marty L. Thornton Jr. and Maggie L. Thornton, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture , (formerly Farmers Home Administration or Rural Economic & Community Development) as Beneficiary, recorded December 23, 1998 as Instrument No. 226985, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which this sale is to be made is failure to: Make principal and interest payments as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$72,000.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of 6.125% per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated December 18, 1998. Payments are in default for the months of May 2014 through and including October 2014 in the amount of \$572.21 per month and continuing each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reinstatement. The balance now due is \$62,230.61 in Principal; Interest is \$2,025.90, subsidy granted is \$36,275.52 and fees currently assessed are

\$426.48 computed through October 29, 2014 with interest accruing thereafter at the daily rate of \$10.4428. In addition to the above, there is also due any late charges, advances, escrow collection fees, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure. The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$98,506.13, excluding interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder or in this sale, as trustee’s fees and/or reasonable attorney’s fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Dated: November 13, 2014 Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., By: Melissa Ambriz, Trust Officer, Phone 877-947-1553 File No.: 251456 / Customer Ref No. CSC Account No 14975421 This communication is on behalf of a debt collector and is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.  
11/26;12/3,10,17/14

**SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION**  
**Case No. 14-0353**  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**  
P E N N Y M A C L O A N SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. CAROLINE M. HALL (Deceased) and the Unknown Heirs, Assigns and Devises of CAROLINE M. HALL; RONALD D. HALL (Deceased) and the Unknown Heirs, Assigns and Devises of RONALD D. HALL; THE STATE OF IDAHO, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR; and Does 1-10 as individuals with an interest in the property legally described as:  
Lot 10, Block 3, of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho. Which may commonly be known as: 634 West California Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628 Defendants. NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER

NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE FOLLOWING BELOW.  
**TO: All Defendants**  
You are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above-designated court within 20 days after service of this Summons on you. If you fail to so respond, the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the Plaintiff in the Complaint. The nature of the claim against you is for, among other things, judicial foreclosure of the real property located at 634 West California Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628 A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for Plaintiff. If you wish to seek the advice of or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected. An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:  
1. The title and number of this case.  
2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may claim.  
3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.  
4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to Plaintiff’s attorney, as designated above. To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named Court. DATED This 6<sup>th</sup> day of Nov., 2014. CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT, By: Trina Aman, Deputy Clerk Derrick J. O’Neill/ISB #4021, Lewis Stoddard/ISB #7766, RCO Legal, P.C., 300 Main Street, Suite 150, Boise, Idaho 83702 Telephone: 208-489-3035 Facsimile: 208-854-3998 [doneill@rcolegal.com](mailto:doneill@rcolegal.com) [lstoddard@rcolegal.com](mailto:lstoddard@rcolegal.com)  
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# Letters to Santa

Owyhee schoolchildren share their wish lists



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# Homedale Elementary

## Marcie Coffman's class

**Dear Santa Claus,**

I want a lap top because I like to play gams. and also to do reserch on things. I also want an Ipod because they are fun to use. I also want 3 fish and a bowl because I have a fish that eats fish. Oh and also 2 packs of the food. I want it because I have been good this year by helping my mom. How are your reider dowing? SayA for yes say F for no? Waw Joke. Ho! Ho! have a Mery Chritmas, Thank you! :)

**Your friend,**  
**Alexis**

**Dear Santa Claus,**

I want a melen dolers because I want to buy a new house. A pece of shose so I can play basketball with my Dad. A green mishing because I want to rase with my brother and Dad and my little brother to.How do the raindeer eat? How could the raindeer fly and how could you have all the elfs? You are lucky because you have all elfs and raindeer. Why is youc name Sana Claus? What is youc real name? I hope you do not crash. I am good these days with my little brothen

**Your friend,**  
**Alex**

**Dear Santa,**

I want a Ipode, afone ,a ku pyotr. I want a laptop. why do They Call you Santu clos? I hope you donte lows your randers! I help my MoM clean I wosh The dishis.

**Your friend**  
**Alisia**

**Dear santa claus,**

I want for christmas is a baby horese because I love baby horses. And a baby dog becas I oredy have a dog but my dad want's another one. But I really want another one tooI wantdt because Ilove dogs. I want a goat because I love ananimals! Have asave trip! I wander why do we call you santa claus? why do we yous more redand green at christmas?And I have ben very good.

**Your friend**  
**Brisa**

**Dear santa**

I've been good by taking out the trash. I've helped clean up the house.I want a remotecontroll boat, plane and monstertruck so I can have fun with it. Thank you. I hope you don't get a cold. Mary Christmas!

**Your freind,**  
**Caden**

**Dear Santa,**

I want a toydog and I'm going to take care of it. I want a toy pencil and I going to share my pencil with my sister. I want a music box because I'm going to sure with my brother. I want a ball because I going to share with my father.

I have been good this year because I helped my mom with the dishes.

**Santa you are nice.**  
**You friend Diana**

**Dear, Santa Claus,**

I want to get a p.s four, video games, and a phone.I want that because I readley like playing vido games. I only have 4 video games now. I want the pone so I can call my parents, grapas and ankls and I want an new iPod. I had four of them but I brokem them.How can you fly with the reindeer? I've ben good this year. Do you allways crash every year? I think you do! Thank you,

**Your friend,**  
**Diego**

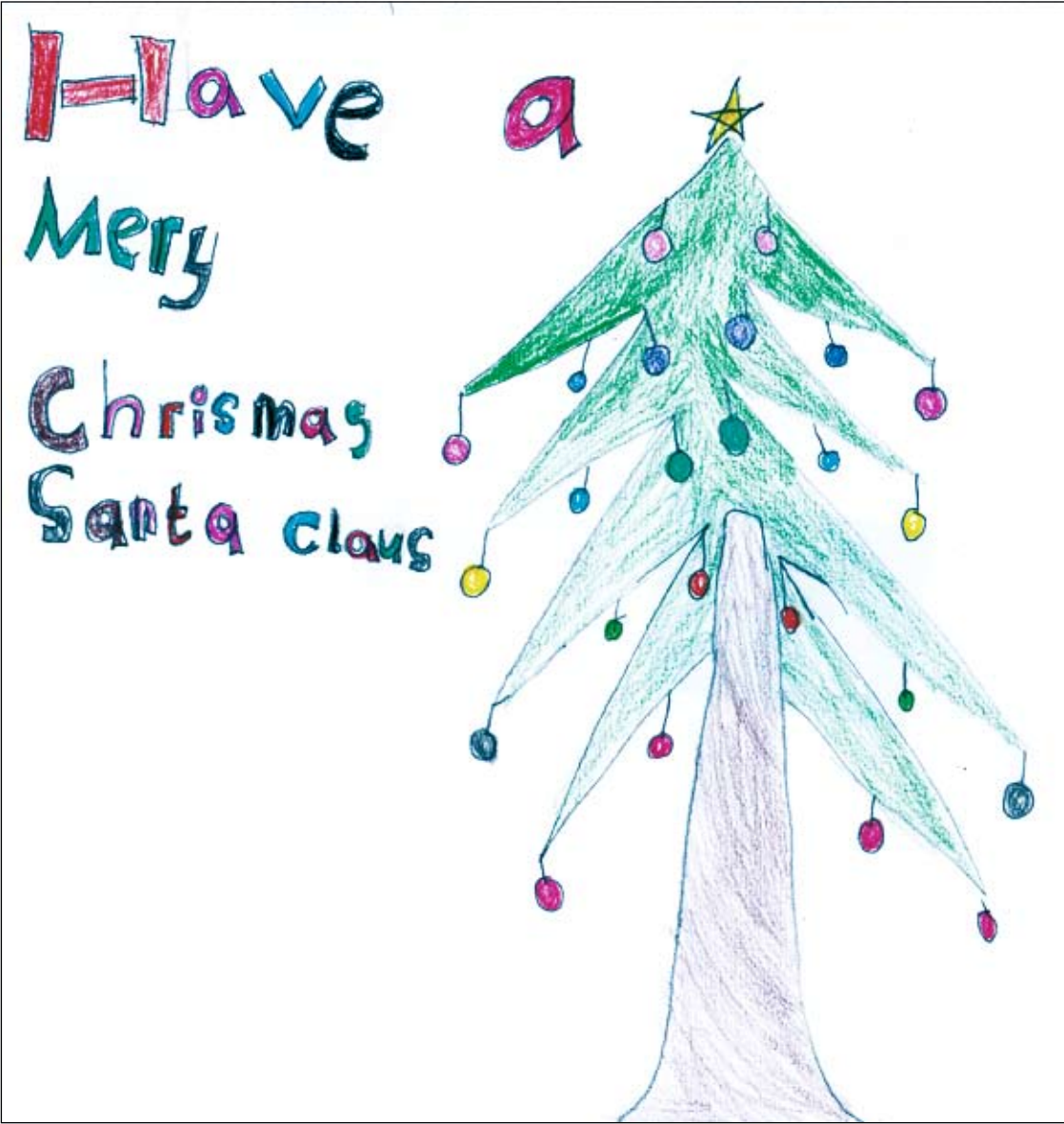
**Dear Santa,**

I want A touch phone because I ben this yeany by taking the trash out for my mom and clean the house I want An ipod Aand I want that because I Love to Listen to the music on the and I Love so Much. I want A real baby Kiten because I Love them. I want sleds and A Radio an exbox 360

**your friend, Emily J.**  
I hope you don't chrash. So are you going to cash?

**Dear Santa Claus,**

Could I have a hampster because I would take care of it. I wanta ipod that way if I mis the bus I can call my momor dad.I would relley like a bunny



Melissa, Christine Ketterling's class, Homedale Elementary

because I have a bunny hut at home. How much toys do you make? How much food do the raindears eat? I have been good this year by helping around the house. I hope you have a nice Chrismas and ho ho ho!

**your friend,**  
**Emily T.**

**Dear Santa**

On Christmas I want a tablet. and an ipady. a rascar, a ifon and some toys/ I have been good this year because I worlc hard in school! Have a sate trip!

**your friend, Francisco**

**Dear santa,**

I want a barby doll. I want a laptap. I have been a vere nice girl. I have been nice to my mom and I have been nice to my dad. I heve even been nice to my sister. Have a safe trip!

**your friend,**  
**Georgina**

**Dear santa**

I want an iPod5 a hundrd \$ dollars, a car, and a soccer ball I help My mom clean. the house I do good at school and I love Math! I hope you dot crash in my snowman If I wake up I will ran to My bed Then he would say HOHO Mrring chritman

**your friend,**  
**Jesse**

**Dear santa**

i want a Play Stashten Pleas

Santa also for Chistmas becaus ares is broke and i want a Pinnebk for my mony and a videoGame thank you very much. Drive safe,

**Your friend**  
**Jose A.**

**Dear Santa,**

I want a red iPod I'm going to Ker of it I want a iPad I'm going to Share I want a nerfgun and I'm not goins to Shoot any body Thank you

**your friend**  
**Jordi**

**Dear santa,** I want a toy car an Christmas and a book and some lego's dinosaur. I wantan i phone too I been good by Helping my mom and my dad and I clean the car and the windows I give my homework to my mom She helps me with it.I op you don't crash!

**your frend**  
**Jose M.**

**Dear St Nickles,**

How is Rudolph doing? Is Rudolph sick today? I want a dog because I want seven dogs. I want a horse because I don't have one. I want a cat because I have got all my chorse done and I have been good.I hope you have a safe trip St. Nickles. Have cup of hot cocoa. It is going to be a blizzard! Have a fun Cristmas St Nickles! Your a star.

**your friend,**  
**Kassady**

**Dear Santa,**

I woould like a bunny for Christmas or a Make up kit or a Barbie closet. I would like a bunny because they are fluffy and cute and they have big eyes. I would like a Makeup kit becuse I just love Makeup and it look pretty on me you see. I want a Barbie closet because you can put alot of close in it and new shose.I want that stuff because I helped my mom. Do you like cake or cookies what kind do you like?

**yor friend,**  
**Kayci**

**Dear santa,**

I would like a motecunchl airplane with blue stripes and black stripes to. santa ples because I would like one and some packemon. I would like some because they are cool I bin good by tacking the trash out and and good manrs. Thank you santa dont crash Santa!

**You friend**  
**Keaton**

**Dear santa,** I would like a xbox1. and I wowld like a skate board. and a remot kentrool helacpter.

**Yourfriend, Mario**

**Dear santa,**

I want a Xboxone and a remote

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# Homedale Elementary

## Laura Eubanks' class

**Dear Santa,**  
How are your raindeers? How are you been at the Northpode I was helping my mom to Clean the Kitchen I was Cleaning m room and take care of my room and I Clean the dishes I help my family.

I want a legotoy and I want a winter coat. and I want gloves.  
**Merry Christmas, Janette Santa,**

How cold is it at the north pole! I hope you are staying warm. How is mrs. Cloths doing. I am trying to be good but a few times I have made mistakes here and there but nobodies prfect. It would be asome if I could have some books, and a set down on weels basketball hoop. Have a mery Crismas.

**Love: Carson**

**Dear Santa,**  
We will be writing for Ventura because he is very sick. How are the raindeer doing? Have you set up the Christmas tree? When he is at school he helps others. Ventura is a swet and loveing. We think he wants a hevvy jaket, lagos, Nook.

**Have a safe trip from: Carson and Miguel for: Ventura**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are the reindeer? Hoaw are the elfs dooing I help my mom clen the house. Can you giv me a xbox 360 boxing game and a toy moknbl car?

**Love Mathew**

**Dear Santa,**  
what do you do wen you bont biliver toy's to kids? How is it like in the North pool I try my best to be nise. I sweip the livingroom for my mom Can I have a toy trane, a yoyo and a toy fish? Have a safe flyt santa

**your friend, Joseph**

**Dear Santa**  
How are you How is the snow I had been good by doing chores and I Wan't mareblz and legos and remotecnricar drive sav.

**Love Jesus**

**Dear Santu,**  
How are the randear doing? Hower are the elfs doing. I haul wood in. I be gud at school. I wont a remote helcoter I want a xbox hTee siyty. have a good Chris tmas. have a safe Trip.

**Love Mikah**

**DearSanta,**  
How era the elvs boing? How are you?

I am boing good! I help my bruthers sometimes. I wad lick a peccckchco and a pocky bull like my bud and one moerthing. I woodlove Le go Irenman. I wish you a Mary Christmas

**from, Timothy**

**Dear Santa,**  
How is the elfs doning at the noth Pole? how is Miss cloze doing? i do Good at school! and I do good at home becuase I help my mom make food. I want for Cristmas is a barbie car! Happy Now Year!

**Love, Yaris**

**Dear Santa,**  
Will Chelsea come back to our house on Christmas? Is Chelsea beging good? I have been good by helping my sisters and doing things that my Mom and Dad say to do. I would like Isabell for Christmas and a bed for her. have a good christmas. Be safe do not crash.

**Love, Aliya**

**Dear santa,**  
How are the elfs. are they Making toys? I do my very best with mom cleaning. I keep my room clean. I only want one thing for Christmas and that is a real 22 gun. Have a good ride! Happy new Year.

**Love, Jack**

**Dear Santa,**  
Are the elfs hard at work? How is Mrs. Clas doing. I'm triing to be kind to evry won. I try to get along with Nakita. I help peple up wen they fall. I wold be nice to have a fairytopia Mrmad and it wold be realy cool to have the mixes to the esey bake oven. Have a marry Christmis!

**Love, Kenzie**

**Dear Santu,**  
How is the elfs doing? How is my elft Buddy. How is mrs clause? For Christmas I want a orby setl a camle Back and a four weler and thats all. I have Ben good this year I have clean my room. Mery christmas

**Love Gwen**

**Dear santa,**  
How are the reinderr doing? are thay ready to fly? I do my very best to help and be nice. I keep my room nice and clean. I help my mom make food. It would be nice to have a Musicplayer and some boots and

a Stufft annil and I What it to be a stufft annil to be cal Stufft annil. I Wish you a safe trip and dont'd crash in a tree. **from, Marissa I love you Santa,.**

**Dear Santo,**  
Are you and the elfs down fine at the north Pool. Are you and the elfs redy. I try my very best to be nise I thenk I am nise. I want a P.S.4. ana 2k15 and a Footbool games. And a flat skret tv. Mary christmas.

**Love, Rafael**

**Dear santa,**  
How is Elvis the elf. The funny elf. I help my sisters do stuff. But I am not so happy sometime. What I Would like for christmas is a hug from you. And another thing What I Would like is a electrec skooder. For My mom I wood like to get her good pans that you don't have't to skrub them. Ho Ho Ho? Merry Christmas? But I have one more quesben for you can Elvec come back. :(

**your friend Ellie**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are the elphs? Is Rosy coming back? I have probel been bed. I have been chring to be good by dooing my chors. and helping my dad in the yad. I wont a ket 80 and a spiya set to. I hope you have a good flyt

**your friend, Breken**

**Dear santa,**  
what are The reindeer doing? I wish I have adoll of Santa. Sant are you haveg fun? I am good at school.

**Love, Jennifer**

**Dear Santa,**  
How is the randeer? How is the elfs is the elfs. I have been very good this year I have done all my chir ors. Thish year I want a cokacola nas car a Helicopter for my brother. Be safe! Don't crash! Have a mary christmas.

**Love, Jabe**

**Dear santa,**  
How is the rendear? can they fly? I was relly Goodo I want a model cars. I want a new Game I want a mario smash bros. I want a tender boll. Have a merry Christmas

**Love, Adil**

**Dear Santa**  
How are the elves doing? How is the North Pole? I am trying

to be very nice. I sometimes I help people at school. I rely need gloves. It will be awesome if you got me pokemon toys. I wish you a Merry Christmas. I hope you have a safe trip.

**your friend, Miguel**

**Dear santa,**  
Are you ready for the big route? I try to get along with my bothers. But it is hard to when they have their friends over. Other wise I have been good cleaning my room, an doing my chores. Dear santa I know that you are busy but I would like a desk for teaching in my room. And I would like a basket ball hoop. Don't let the reindeer smell grandmas cake again!

**Love, Sloan**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are the elfs doing? Do you have radyers. I have bnng helping my mom takeing the trash out. I realy need miting. And I want new coler pencils. And I want to give my friend Adil a new minecraft toy. Don't crash in the houses. Don't crash in the trees. Have a great day!

**Your friend, Nelson**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are yoy and yory reindees and Mrs. Clos. I do my vey best to help my mom make diner and mydad mow the lone to I have been doing Good at

home so i wood not get in trubl. i want a frozen radeo and a microfone and a big bag of candy and radeo for my brothers. Happy Now Year!

**Love, Nakita**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are the elves doing? And how are you doing Santa? I do my very best to be nice. I help my mom clean the dishes.And I help my dad rake. I would like to have a new ring.Also a pinklaptop. And a naw car for my mom and dad. Have a nice trip and be carful.


**Love, Mirella**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you doing? Are the reindeer good I bet thare good. I trie to be good but my Sister Hatty is mean She dasint belev in you. I do belfv in you. Can I have a army LEGO set and a fake misl pleas. Have a good trip.

**From, Jon**

**Dear Santa,**  
How do you deliver all those toys; How is Mrs coss? I have been good by helping my mom do the dishes. I also clean my room. It would be awesome to have a new brush. Be carfull santa. I wish you a merry Christmas. I hope you a good Christmas.

**Love, Sadie**



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# Homedale Elementary

## Christine Ketterling's class

**Dear Santa Claus**  
Thank you for the cars I love them. I love them so so much pulease get me A puppy. I have always wanted A puppy so so much. I have never got a puppy please! Do you're elfs fite? I love you so so much

**Love, Cruz**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you. what are you doing. what are your elves doing. what I want for christmas is the Lego star wars anakin's fighter and the inquizeter's ligh saber and Anakin slash Deark vader and a Despicable me Purple minyon and the Bedo minyon

**Thank you Hector**

**Dear santa claus**  
Tank you for socral  
How do you afk doing this sled fly now aer the ef doing Can I have Leges ples. tel mrr. Kos thk you.

**sincerely Jose**

**Dear Santa Claus**  
Thank you for the you? I been good. How boot you? The pants was pretty find. How many cookies do you like so I can put the cookies on the table. I want a toy like a babyreal. I want a Tablit for my sister.How can the raindeers fly.

**love, Daisy**

**Dear santa claus,**  
Thank you for the elektrik scooter last year. This year I would like a buddha for christmas. I have tried to be good. I helped my mom and dad pick up apples. I picked up 154 apples off the ground. I also helped this guy get off the snow from there driveway also the Sidewalk. How did Rudoff get his red nose? Also,how do you fly to most every house in one night?

**Sincerely Lily**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
Thank youfor Despicable me two movie How cold is it at the north pole? How many elves are there? Thank you for the big allegator. This year I want an XboXone I want stuffed animals. I want toy wwe fighters. I want

a play station 4. I want a toy dinosaur.

**sincerely, Isaac**

**der santa claue**  
Ihave ben very god I got dols last year. Hou is your rander doing? How is yourelvs doing? I want a hrmet crab set. I want there cits. Iope you have the best yaur you ever had.

**Love, Adreana**

**Dear Santa**  
Thank you for the esey bake aven you gave my last year. I was good this year because I tired not to fight my brother. but it is hard. What do your raindeer eat? Do you still brush your teeth? This year I woud like a horse poster because I like horses. I would like books because I like to read.

**Sincerely, Allie.**

**Dear santa claus**  
I have been good this year. Because I helped my vacume the floor. How are your elf. How are your reindeer. would you bring me some marckers.

**your Friend, Armando**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I have been good this year because I cleaned my room. Iwould like a flat screen TV for Christmas.I also want a horse. I want it to be a mix of brown and white.What is your favorite cookie?Chocolate, Oatmeal, White Chocolate chip, Vainila,or Chocolate? Would you like Chocolate Almond milk, Vanila Almand milk Vainila and Chocolate mixed together or goat milk? Would you like pepper mint Lifesavers, spearmint live savers, or lifesavers flavored gumys.Thank you for the flash light and the Barbie doll. I would like a bunny and a Barbie dream house.I will put out raindeer food. write back soon,

**Love, Tayler**

**Dear santa claus,**  
Th you for the little car at the next week and I like it. I been good because I rake the leaves at my house and help my mom to clean my room. I wont to ask you 2 Questions how can you fiy and

how can the ders fiy?

**Love, Josue**

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you for the tent When christmas comes I up again I Want a Wollit. My Bruther Wants a Wollit to.I Been good beacause I helpt My frend aBrham Shuyl outt snowe how are yor elvs Dooing

**Sincerely, Terry**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
Thank You for the simitruck I got last year.  
I want a new watch that velcros up and time shown like this 1:00. How are you doing today? How many elves do you have? Thank you for the presints and candy canes.

**Sincerely Wyatt**

**Dear Santa Clas,**  
Thank you for the tarantula.  
I have been good This year But I have been Cleaning The house with my ant. There are some things how are your Elfs doing. how are your raindeer doing

**Your friend James**

**Dear Santa,**  
I have been good. I hopt mydad do lohclfe I Wont ski ladrs tropt me How are the elves doing? what are your favrite cookies

**Sincerely Alonzo**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I have been good. What I want is a artstan I want it because I Love paneting a lot. Thank you for icecream maker and the ballhouse. The Next thing I want is a hummin size barbyhouse and a bowandairl and a raindear. How old are you? Why do you only fly at night.

**Sincerely, Avere**

**Dear santa claus,**  
Than you for the toddler doll you gave me last year. I want to know if it gets to cold in the Polo North? I also want to know if you get presents for christmas ? I want a new scooder because I know how to ride it but I don't have a scooder. By the way how is Mrs claus dowing? Can you

get my brother Isaac a l pade because he rely bad. I'll leave you some cookie's and milk.

**You'r friend, Melissa**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
Thank you for the swet shirt you have brought me last yaar. I want a wach Because i never had One. I helped my mom and dad i helped my mom by moping the floor.I helped my dad by helping doing the truck I also helped my sisters by cleaning there room. I want to know how many eles do you have? How mayn Deer do you have

**Sincerely Katie**

**dear Santa,**  
I Was good Thank youfortoYfor tto Waret reindeer Are YoUr for reindeer forchrstnmas mener sincrly Jesse mom ftom TOYSee saysa do Sleep said Jesse Me

**Jesse**

**Dear Santa Claws,**  
Thank you for the Scoorder you brouht me last year.I want lego star wores repls.How are you? How are your Deres, Santa? I want a Marster truck Krackl remote. I was so good to my mom to cut the leaves for my mom.

**Love, Jesus**

**Dear Santa claus,**  
Thank you for the tablet. I helped my mom rack the leaf. How are you're rander doong? Iem etided for christmas! my bruther Would like a fooball. How can thorandors fliy?

**Love Daniel**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
Thank you for my duck comander that you got me last year. Can you get me a notre dame swet shirt. Where do you get the prezents ? I been good because I help my couson when people waked him. I sell Christmas trees at Kmart out side.

**Sincerely Lukas**

**Dear santa,**  
Thank you for the makeup. I want a toy Dophin and my amarcin giarl. I have been good this year because

I rake the leavs in fall I listin to my mom she din't call my 2 tims How are the rinders? How are the elvse?

**Love, Alexis**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I love the soomer you gave me last year andshe would like a frind and if you would please give Layne a fake toy gun Please tell Mrs. Claus tanck you. How is my elf doing? Can He write to me?How old is he? How do you make the sled and raindeer fly? what kind of cokesdo you like. I hope you have a mary crismis. am I on the good or bad list. hoho ho

**yourfrind, Kali**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I have been very good this year I have helped my dad + work. Thank you for my black beebie gun you gave me last year. This year I would like a small black dirt bike and a black toy robot that you can control with your hand. How do the rander fly and what is your favorit colors.

**Sincerely, Carsten**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I have been good this year becuse I hlup my mom wash the dshis. Thank you for the my batle ship last year I wote for christmas isa 3ds my mom is looking for the one but she would like you to get it for me. I would you to get Mrs. keteneing a whoke. How many elves do you have? Whatdo the elves dointhe summer?

**Sincerely, Brandon**

**Dear santa Claus,**  
I was good I helped my Mom Clean the dishes and helped Clean My room.I want a Phon and a tablet? How meny rainder do you Have how Old are yoU? Thas four a Back Pack Last year. I allso Wanta ice crem Macker?

**Love Brooklyn**

**Dear Santa,**  
I have been good this year. Thank you for the marker mackr it is cool. I made lots.How is rodoff doing? Has he ben good?

**Love, Pablo**



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# Homedale Elementary

## Marcie Coffman's class

**From Page 2B**  
control car that is green with Stripes and a socker ball I help my mom because she had to wash the dishes. How are your eles doing buileling all the toys? I hope you don't crash!

**your friend  
Manuel**

**Dear santaClaus,**  
I hope you will give me LEGO. Ultra Agents because I I'm going to dild the right things but I don't think I can make the Agent Truck I want zoomer Dino because I want to see how mad he gets.I want Ama kindle fire.beuse my brother doesn have lecchoniks so I'm giving it to him.I help my brother clean his room.I help pull out weeds.I help fold clothes.I hope yo don't crash and walk until mornins. The kids will be sad under there white tree or green tree,

**Your friend,  
Nathan**

**Dear santa,**  
How are you doing? I am fine. I hope the raindeer don't Eat all of the carots. can you please bring me a Easy Bake oven? I wouldolso like cash register. I have been good because Iam helping my mom bosome she is very very sick. I hope youdo not get lost in the snow storm.

**your friend,  
Skyler**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want \$1,000,000 for Christmas. I want \$1,000,000 because I want to buy alot of toys. I also want a wii and some games because I like to play on the wii. I also want real spy gear. And Santa, why is your name Santa? Why do your Reindeer fly? And how do the Elves build the toys so fast? Do you freeze in the north pole? And I wish you a Merry Chistmas and a Happy New Year! P.S. I hope the strap does not brake and you'll crash in somebody's house. Thank you for the presents.

**Your friend  
Todd**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a new Kindfire because the one I have right now is bussted. I also want a new bike. But what I relly want a DSI with a charger and a Maroe krtt game. thank you. Don't get to fat.

**Your friend  
Wyatt**

**DearSantu,**  
I want a Nerf gun anda toy Plane toy sword Santa Whad I want the most is a Scooteer I been good by helping my Mom do the bishes and doing chores I hope you don't fell off your Sled Thank you!

**your frind  
Xander**



Allie, Christine Ketterling's class, Homedale Elementary



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# Marsing Elementary

## Dorothy Hutchings' class

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I wot a Toys ForChristmas I would like you Sunta Claus. I wouldlikea Toys From you.  
**Thank You,**  
**Yoni**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would lika snackie. A snackie-esa cup that has a lid. You can put food in it. You canput sada in it. I would also like a New stuffe-sanimal shaped like Rudolph the red nose Reindeer I would like a relly car, Last I would like allof the Magic treehouse Books.  
**Thank You,**  
**Samantha**  
**I believe Inn you**

**Dear Santa Clause,**  
I would like legos for chrst-mas. I ouldlie a trurk traiber for christmas. I would like a car for ch-tstmas. i would like Mouies kung fu ponda 2. and 1. for chrstmes.  
**Thank You,**  
**Landy**  
**I blives in you Sonta**

**Dear Santa Clause,**  
I would like a baby alive because it says MOMMY MOM-MY. I want a real laptopso I could go on you tube.  
**Thank You,**  
**Mckensie**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would like a robot dog. A hairthing that makes your hair long, some nails for my fingers and hed bans. A Snackiey and areal live puppy, tools for my dad. I want a real phone that works, and a real horse. tell your wife that she is beautiful.  
**Thank You,**  
**Raylynn**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I wouod like Big Hero Six cd far me Santa an o Lagre  
**Thank You,**  
**Landon**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would likea bikethe most. I wouldlike an iPad. I would like the Later series Of Junie B. Jones. I would like a singing Rudolph

the reddnosed raindeer. I would likea new x box 360 I would like my own laptop.  
**Thank You,**  
**Dustin**

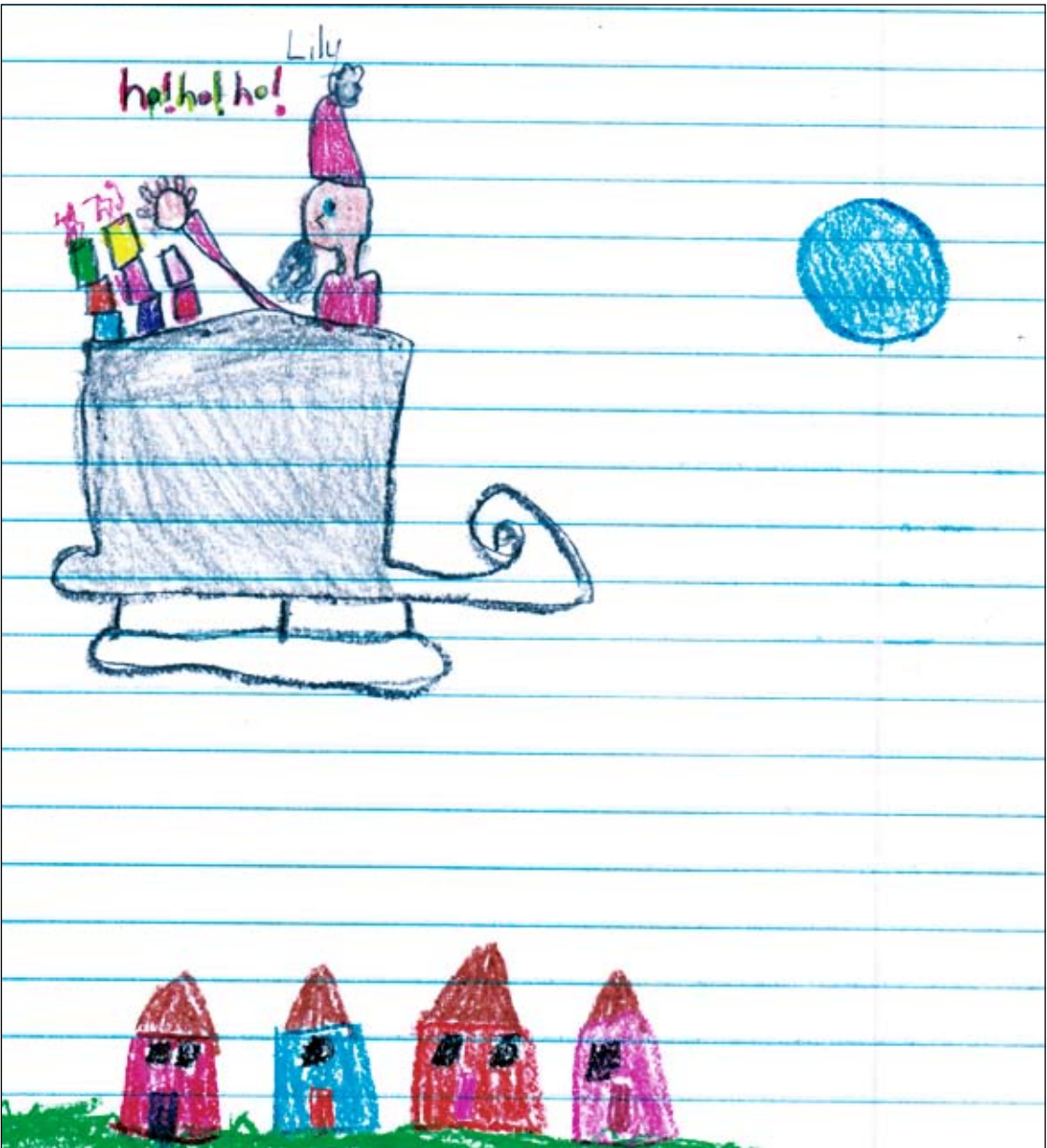
**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would like a computer and a books. I would like a tablet a bicycle, a ball, game's, and crayans. and a book all book I would also like you to bring me books tread.  
**Thank You,**  
**Wendy**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would like a book named The lucky Pocket rhyming dictionary. Can I have a stuffed animal? A big one.  
I, would like a stuffed animal dolpin, tiger, cat, Dog a Bunny, and rabbit.  
And for my MoM I would want and earrings with a rose a Beaytiful red paire of earings and some slippers. a warm paire of pjama's for her. I want a stufted animal of all of your reindeer I like your reindeer.  
**Love, Brooke**

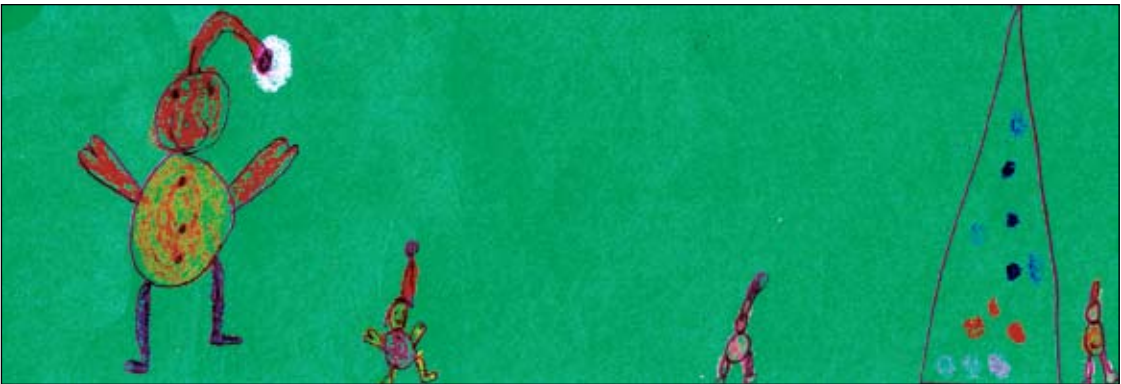
**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would like a lotofcar. I would like an i pad. I would like a cm-puter. I would like a realcar formy dad. I would like a set of legos. I would like a big T.V. I would like a Sant toy. I would like beatz  
**Thank you,**  
**Vincente**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would like a tablet, I would like a computer. I would like a Rudolph the red nose Raindeer. I would like a toy Scarffor my brother  
I would like you to bring a new car anda table For my bab.  
**Thank You,**  
**Jackie**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would like a Hedbanz game and a snackie.  
I would like a six-thousan doller giftcard  
I like you santa and Rudalph too.  
I know you like cookies.



Lily, Mary Westrand's class, Marsing Elementary



Jayden, Jena Bubak's class, Jordan Valley Elementary

Youare the best person ever.  
**Thank You,**  
**Jayden**

**Dear Santa Clause,**  
The best day ever Was the day I got my Lego and a coMputer. and wan I got to techoloyyi peard

libany I also like reading Stenes in reading time.  
**Thank You,**  
**Manuel**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would like a remote car for christmas and a band se.A box of legos and a toy car that I can drive I want a toy Shelf Elf to and a tobali with a lot of gams. I Love you Santa.  
**Thank You,**  
**Shelbi**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would like the first 20 magic tree house books, transformers and for the class they would like the magic tree house seeires! I would like the three in one mon-key Lego set! thank Yousanta!  
**Alex**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I would like some transformer toys and atoy pum a some tshirts sOme tshirts.  
Hope you have lots of cookies with milk!  
**Thank You,**  
**Angel**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I wold like a Barbie I go + magic  
I can turn flowers-blue  
I wold like a puppy for christ-mas  
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**Thank You,**  
**Jessica**

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Aliya, Laura Eubanks' class, Homedale Elementary

## Rockville School

Sharon Green's class

Dear Santa,  
How's thing's going at the north pole? How are the elves? I just want a Ipod 5<sup>th</sup> generation. I have been good all year. I hope you have a great Christmas!

God Bless, Becky Mackenzie, 7<sup>th</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
I would love to have a comera, computer, guitar and a small fourweeler

Love Jill  
Jill Gammett, 4<sup>th</sup> grade

Dear ,Santa Claus  
How is it up in the north pole. I would like a tablet and a Ipod 5<sup>th</sup> generashon. and a computer and a camera and a guitar and

a Legos and a small atv and a small dirt bike and a go cart and that is all

Sincerely your friend  
Chris Mackenzie, 4<sup>th</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
Is it snowing in the North Pole. It was snowing here. For Christmas I would like a crayon maker. where old crayon you can put into the thing and it makes them better.

Sincerely,  
Tina Gammett

Dear Santa,  
Can I have a guitar for Christmas?

from Lacey  
Lacey Gammett, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

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Kooper, Wendy Stansell's class, Marsing Elementary



Melody, Mary Westrand's class, Marsing Elementary







# Grand View Elementary

## Britne Martin’s class

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a scooter and I want a gumball mashing. I want you to make a bow and arrow. How do you Know Who is naughty or good/ How are you doing?

**from Alora**

**Dear Santa,**  
I’m sarrry santa for my behavior That I have.May I please have a petty necklace? I wishIcould have a phone that I can use it? do you make Thing?

**From Viviana**

**Dear Santa,**  
May I please have a watch with a timer and it Just tells you the time. May i also please have an ipod thathas horses on it? I have a Question,c an you Send me aletter back ifI can have these two thingsornotplease? I’ve been a really reallygoodkid this yearcan I please beonthenice list.

**from: Carson to: Santa**

**Dear Santa,**  
I wish I hada Play-doh.I wish I hada new bike. Iwish i had a

Amecingirl clos and aAmecin-girl doll. Do You wrock on christmas. I Do My Home Work.

**Frum Alexa**

**Dear Santa,**  
I wish I could have a doll? I wish I could have a toy? I wishIcould hare a bress? Where boy you live?

**from Jamie**

**Dear Santa,**  
May I have a silver remate car and a blue remate car and a ninja lago set that atleast has350 pices. Oh are the rain deer nice? oh You are cool. Oh I have been good. M y brother been a good to.

**From: Spencer**

**Dear Santa,**  
Iwish could have a turtL. I wish I could have a SnaiL I wish I could I have a Niguist-turtLe Legos.

**from Flavio**

**Dear Santa,**  
May I please have a door? Olso

Can I have \$100 Plese? doos the tooth fare live with you. Merry CHristmas Santa. ThankYou forevre thing You dun. Have fun santa.

**fram Madison Love Santa**

**Dear Santa,**  
You give cats for kids? Santa Can you give me a ipod for Christmas Santa you are a nice man. Where do you live?

**from: Estrellita to; Santa**

**Dear Santa,**  
Merry Christmas Sants. Is Rudlf is a good Raindeer? May I please have a toy horse.I have a drss. I wish you can come.

**frame Reata**

**Dear Santa,**  
Merry Christmas Santa. Santa Please tell rodeoff that he is awesome.May I please have money?I wish I could have a sliegh.May I pleas have a shirt. Merry Christmas Santa

**from Ronaldo**

**Dear Santa,**  
I wasu I could have Dino rescue bots. Thank you to you Santa Merry Christmas to you santa and Mrs. Clos. Idoyou have eifs? may you Please have a good Christmas to you santa andmrs.clos.

**from David to Santa**

**Dear Santa,**  
I wish for a d\S for christmas. And a d\S charger. That come’s wish a game. How are you doing. I hope I am on The good list andmy bruther to. :)

**From John To Santa**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you doing? Is it cold in the north pool? May I please have another 62 dollars an 10 renst. I wish I coUld have a lego ninjago leno set and a big giant X box and pot all I want for Christmas have a Merry Christmas santa.

**Fram: Adam to: Santa**

**Dear Santa,**  
How is your place doing?

I’m having a good time and I’m being a good boy. Ean I have a ipod and the temple of light in Lego ninjaga?

**from: Loyd**

**Dear Santa,**  
I have been good. How are you doing. Ean I have a r.c car. and it is \$400. If you can get my a xbox 360 \$150

**frum Randle to Santa**

**Dear Santa,**  
Santa You are Cool. Do yoiu have ar andire. than KSauSntas foamypresentto You are the best. Could I have a Watch that canplay gams? can I have aremote control truck?

**Frem Hunter**

**Dear Santa,**  
I do scool work. Whear doyou live? I wish I had a dresser I wish Ihad anuther ba thing suit. I wish I had a buskit.

**from: Hailey**

# Three Creek School

## Dena Pollock’s class

**Dear, Santa Claus,**  
I would like a flashlight with extra batteries for Christmas. I would also like a remote control helicopter that you can fill with water and squirt people with. Another thing I would like is Lego Heartlake High. I would appreciate it if you would give Owen a small Lego set and Elodie a princess book. I would also like you to give a book for my Dad.

**Yours truly, Sophie Thompson 4<sup>th</sup> grade**

where it’s cold and snowy and every kid is happy because you are coming. Santa, what I want for Christmas is a Monster High Freaky Fusion Bonita Femur doll or a Monster High Scetch Pad. You probably know I am a fan. So, I hope you come. We will maybe put a snack for you.

**Sincerely Lizbeth Arellano, 5<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Dear Santa claws** I want a sudmareen. and a lego Raven Beast

**From Sam Thompson to Santa, 1<sup>st</sup> grade**

**Dera Sent,** I wont a pair of sox. and a shirt. fram Belle to Sant

**Belle Brackett, 1<sup>st</sup> grade**

**Dear, Santa.**  
I would like the Epic Dragon Battle, and the Flying Flusher. In order to get the \$120 Epic Dragon Battle, come to my house and pick up my money. My money will be on the blue stocking tied with a string. I am looking forward to finding a big box under the tree. Please come to our play on christmas eve.

**Yours Truly, Owen Thompson, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Merry Christmas**

**Dear Santa,**  
All I want for Christmas is sqenkiez, DS. games, a train like Cordell’s and a meary Christmas

**Love Natasha Hinton, 5<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Dear Santa Claus,**  
I am glad that Christmas is almost here. What I would like for Christmas is a Elsa doll. they look like they are fun.

**Thank You, Katie Katie Brackett, 5<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Dear Santa,**  
I’ve been relly good this year. I’ve been wanting a remote

controled Helicopter or car.

**Sincerely, Cordell Hinton 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Dear Santa Claus**  
What I want for chresmus is in Ever after high boll and the bodr fo little red rayedinghod and if there no boll that I want it is okay.

I am Emily Benitez and were I live is IDoH Rgrsi 83302 and Mery chresmus

**Emily Benitez, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade**

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# Jordan Valley Elementary

## Jena Bubak's class

**Dear Santa,**  
I am so excited for Christmas Eve to arrive! Whoop Whoop! There is no chimney at my house. You will have to use the door. I will make sure that the door will be unlocked. when you lay the presents under the Christmas tree, I am hoping that you will have an ipad and a puppy for me. I have been excelent this year, promise. Safe travels on christmas Eve.

**Sincerely,**  
**Kyndra**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a big ole truck.

**Love, Zayne**

**Dear Santa,**  
What I would like for Christmas is a best friend necklace and horse tack for my horse Patty. Christmas is my favorite holiday. I have realized that it is not just about the presents. It is about spending time with people that are important to me. I have learned this through the play my class will present. The play is "The Grinch." Merry Christmas!

**Sincerely,**  
**Katie**

**Dear Santa,**  
Are you ready for Christmas yet ? My Uncle Si said you like eggnog better than milk. Do you?  
I want a telescope that can allow me to see our sky and a guitar.

Do you have to feed your reindeer grain? I have to feed my horse grain.

**Love,**  
**Bode**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a doll set and a toy car

**love Alana.**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a pony set. I just love horses. And I want dollies, and clothes. **Love, Lilly**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a big ole truck. I want a racecer set.

**LoVe Matthew**

**Dear Santa,**  
I would like a robot, and a transformer.

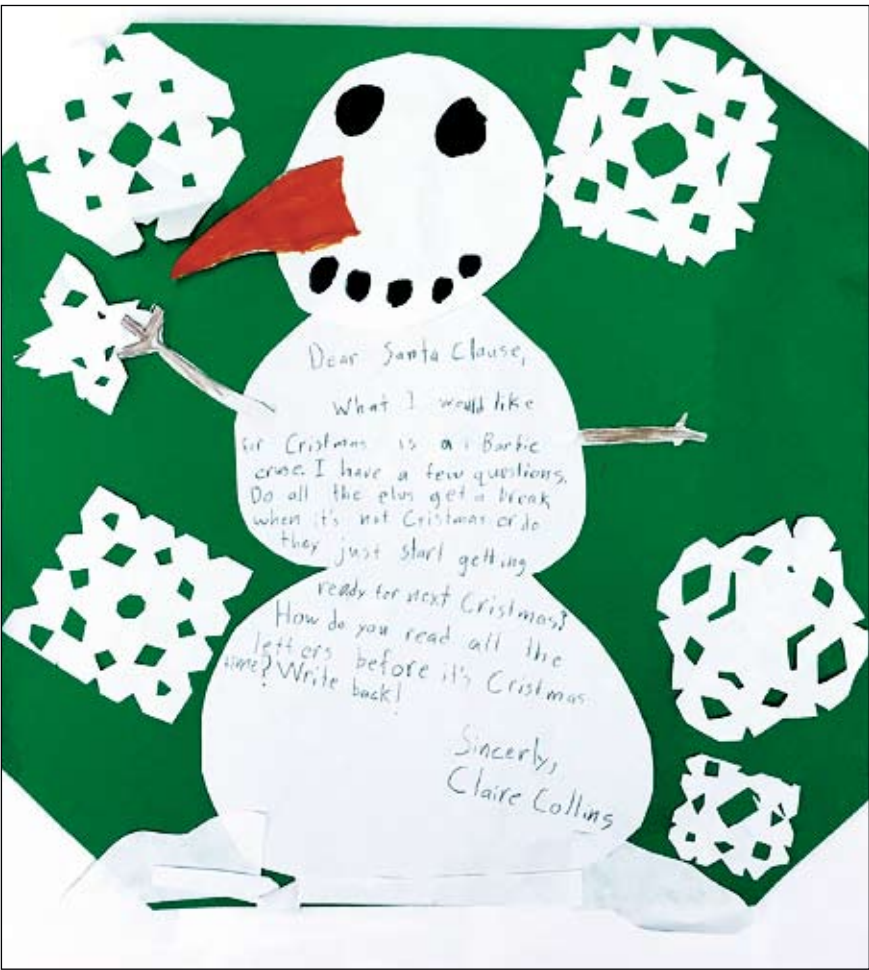
**Love, Charlie**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want drums, a Naerf bow and a Ninja Turtle set

**Love Jayden**

**Dear Santa Clause,**  
What I would like for Christmas is a Barbie cruse. I have a few questions. Do all the elvs get a break when it's not Christmas or do they just start getting ready for next Christmas? How do you read all the letters before it's Christmas time? Write Back!

**Sincerely, Claire**



Claire, Jena Bubak's class, Jordan Valley Elementary

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