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Dee Fillmore, left, and Marilyn Evans with the Owyhee Gardeners planted the first flowers around the Welcome to Homedale sign last week.

## Homedale gateway continues to take shape

Mayor hopes  
flags are in  
by the Fourth

Local landscape experts have added a little character to the Welcome to Homedale sign.

Last week, The Owyhee Gardeners planted a variety of flowers soon after Nolan Taggart and Ned Stokes placed large pieces of petrified wood around the sign and created a flowerbed.

"What we're trying to do is fix it to where it covers the light posts. As you drive by, you don't see the posts and

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Nolan Taggart, left, and Ned Stokes place one of the petrified wood pieces around the Welcome to Homedale sign. Kent Curtis with the Homedale public works department supervises the project from the cab of a backhoe.

## Paying city leaders

# Homedale council narrowly OKs mayor's pay raise

No council raises;  
city to get sixth  
police officer

Mayor Gheen Christoffersen will be the only City of Homedale elected official getting a raise in the coming fiscal year.

There will be no raises for the city council, however.

Councilman Steve Atkins, who opposing raises of any kind for elected officials, voted no when the issue was tackled during last Wednesday's Fiscal Year 2016 bud-

get workshop. Vonnie Harkins and Kim Murray voted to increase Christoffersen's salary 24.2 percent from \$6,762 annually to \$8,400 (from \$5,635.50 monthly to \$700).

Councilman Aaron Tines, who during the first budget work-

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Gheen Christoffersen

## Grand View establishes pay for mayor, council

Monthly salary of  
\$50 each won't  
start until 2016

Grand View's elected officials will receive salaries beginning in January.

The city council passed Ordinance 2015-01 at its last meeting to establish a pay structure for the mayor and council members.

It's the first salary established for elected officials in Grand View, which was incorporated

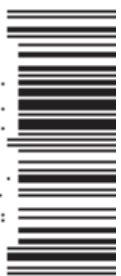
as a city 45 years ago.

Under the new ordinance, the mayor and each council member will receive \$50 monthly for a \$600 annual salary.

The ordinance was necessary now because the city is working on the fiscal year 2016 budget, which will encompass part of the next calendar year.



Franklin Hart



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# Marsing drops Doodlebug fundraiser race again

Chamber,  
Lions Club gear  
up for 3<sup>rd</sup> of July

For the second time in three years, a Marsing 3<sup>rd</sup> of July fundraiser has been shelved.

The Doodlebug race, which for many years has raised money for fireworks, won't be held next month because its organizer has moved away.

"One of our directors on the Chamber, Susan Watson from The Spot, moved and she sold like three-fourths of (last year's) Doodlebug tickets. Her move happened in the middle of our planning," Burbank said. Watson moved to a farm in Oregon this spring, and The Spot closed about a month ago.

Burbank explained that Chamber members didn't have time to figure out who would sell the tickets this year, but they are talking about resuming the Doodlebug race next 3<sup>rd</sup> of July.

Past Doodlebug races helped pay for the fireworks. Once held as ping-pong balls floating down a creek through City Park, the race was cancelled in 2013, too. Jolyn Green was Chamber president at that time and said



**From left:** Marsing Chamber of Commerce director Mike Sprinkel, Chamber president Luke Burbank and Chamber director Stan Beebe hang a 3<sup>rd</sup> of July poster of Canyon County artist Loni Trude's balloon creation "Uncle Sam" in City Hall to promote this year's celebration.

the decision to not hold the 2013 race stemmed from dwindling revenue and increased labor for the event. The race was revived last year with the balls being rolled down the Island Park entrance ramp.

All other traditional activities associated with the town's Celebration of our Nation will go on as planned next week at

Island Park.

- The Lions Club is bringing back Jeannie Marie Drennon, who also performed at last year's 3<sup>rd</sup> of July. She will be singing and playing guitar starting at 6 p.m. at Island Park.
- After the fireworks, 2013 Marsing High School graduate Miguel Leon, known professionally as DJ Flow, will

play a variety of hits for dancing at the same location. He also played at last year's celebration.

- The Marsing Lions Club and the Marsing Senior Center are sponsoring a shuttle that will run up and down Main Street from the MHS gymnasium to Island Park.
- The Lions Club will also host its traditional 3<sup>rd</sup> of July

barbecue. It will begin at 6 p.m. at Island Park and will run until the fireworks begin or the food is gone.

- Other food items will be available from a variety of food trucks.
- There will be amusement rides for children available for a fee.




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## Grant asks POST to decertify ex-deputy

Pearson gets DUI  
sentence, but  
could be cleared  
after probation

A former Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy is facing loss of his law enforcement certification after being convicted of driving drunk while on duty.

While Kyle Pearson has an opportunity to clear his record once he completes probation, Sheriff Perry Grant confirmed to The Owyhee Avalanche on Thursday that he sent a decertification request to Idaho Peace Officer Standards and Training

After changing his plea to guilty, Pearson was sentenced last Wednesday in a Homedale courtroom, but Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober imposed a withheld judgment, which allows the 41-year-old Nampa resident to request that the court expunge the conviction after he successfully

completes the terms of a year's probation.

Pearson will be under supervised probation for three months, and the remaining nine months will be unsupervised. Probationary terms include obtaining a drug and alcohol evaluation within 30 days. He must then complete the treatment recommendations.

Grober ordered 40 hours community service as part of Pearson's sentence on a misdemeanor charge.

While a six-month jail term was suspended, the former Nampa and Cascade police officer must also pay a \$690 fines and court costs. His driver's license has been suspended for 180 days.

No restitution for the damaged patrol pickup was mentioned in the court proceedings.

Facing termination, Pearson resigned from the sheriff's office on May 21, seven days after he crashed his patrol vehicle on Howard Road east of Edison Road in Marsing. The crash, which took place around 7 a.m. early into Pearson's shift, destroyed an Idaho Power utility pole.

Lab results from the blood draw administered after the crash showed Pearson's blood-alcohol level measured .11.



Kyle Pearson

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in the Avalanche

—JPB



# Old favorites returning for Lions demolition derby

Plenty of tickets still available for Homedale event

The Homedale Lions Club promises some surprises for the 34<sup>th</sup> annual Fourth of July Demolition Derby, and next year may deliver even more thrills. Tickets are still available for the derby, which will begin at 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 4, at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., in Homedale. Lions Club secretary Jeremy Townsend said the derby drivers voted to bring back the Chrysler Imperials as part of the derby in 2016. The vote took place during last

Wednesday’s annual pre-derby meeting. The Lions Club is trying to bring the car count up, and members suggested bringing back the popular Mopar model as a way to rekindle interest from participants. “The younger guys have never got the chance to run the Imperials,” Townsend said. Drivers agreed to stop building Imperials after the 2008 derby. This year’s derby will feature fewer than 20 drivers, according to the present roll call. The pickup heat, which proved a fan favorite in its inaugural run last year, will return. Kylianne Lowe won the first pickup championship a year ago. The large 8-foot-by-20-foot American

flag that had been a staple for years in the rodeo arena will return this year, too, Lions Club president Will Pryor said. As in the previous years, the flag will dangle from the aerial ladder on a fire truck pumper. Pryor said there is another big surprise planned this year, but he refused to share details. Music and fireworks will follow the derby. Townsend said there are nearly 1,000 tickets still available for the derby, but that only about 100 remain for the covered A section. Admission is \$20 for A section seats in the covered grandstand. B section seats are \$15 each, and C section tickets go for

\$12. Buy tickets at NAPA Owyhee Auto Parts locations in Homedale and Marsing. The derby rulebook is available online at [www.homedalelionsclub.com](http://www.homedalelionsclub.com). This year’s derby will feature the return of the pickup truck heat. To enter a car or for details on the pickup derby, call Jeremy Townsend at Owyhee Auto Supply in Homedale, 337-4668. Car build questions should be directed to Chester Conklin at 989-2014. Josh Love is handling food booth inquiries at 880-8483. To place an ad in the program or for general questions, call Will Pryor at 866-2629.

— JPB

## Marsing housing hearing slated

The first of two public hearings on a new housing project for Marsing will be held Monday. The city’s Planning and Zoning Commission will hear public comments regarding a special use permit submitted by Hans Nederend of Nederend Dairy. He is asking for permission to build a 32-unit housing project with 16 duplexes. The units would be located on eight acres near the corner of Edwards Street and Main Street. The lot is to the west of Edwards Street and north of Main Street. The permit application states the project will include a park and soccer field and a half-court basketball area on half of the property.

It also says there is already housing in the area, so additional housing would be a plus for the city of Marsing. Nederend’s narrative says the project is related to the city’s comprehensive plan because the city wants more housing. Monday’s public hearing will begin at 7 p.m. in the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N. Comments regarding the development may also be submitted in writing and must be received by 5 p.m. Monday. Comments must be addressed to Marsing City Hall, P.O. Box 125, Marsing, ID 83639. Written comments can also be hand-delivered to City

Hall at 425 Main St., during normal business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. City Hall is closed from noon to 1 p.m. for lunch on weekdays. The Marsing City Council will hear public comments on the proposed project during a hearing scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 8, also at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center. The same rules apply for submitting written comments for the city council’s hearing as for the P&Z hearing. The written comments for the council hearing must be received by 5 p.m. on July 8.

— SC

## Crews douse wildfires

Bureau of Land Management Boise District crews responded to two fires in Owyhee County on Saturday. The MM30HWY78 fire broke out around 1:30 p.m. near milepost 30 on Idaho highway 78 four miles north of the Silver City Road turnoff. It was contained to seven acres and was under control by 7 p.m. The fire ignited on private property after a controlled burn got out of control, Owyhee County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said. No structures were threatened by the blaze, which spread to public land. The Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson fire department assisted BLM

crews in containing the fire. The second wildfire broke out around 2:45 p.m. east of milepost 17 on U.S. Highway 95. The Elephant Fire burned about 150 acres south of Elephant Butte. A helicopter and three single-engine air tankers (SEATs) assisted BLM and MRW crews. The Elephant Fire was contained by 8 p.m. Saturday. With the fire is still under investigation, officials suspect an unattended campfire. The Jordan Valley Rural Fire Protection Association assisted BLM Vale District on a 175-acre fire south of Succor Creek State Park in Oregon on Sunday.

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## P.O. box break-in reported in Homedale

Authorities trying to determine what mail was stolen

Local and federal authorities are investigating mailbox break-ins at the Homedale post office. Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said U.S. postal inspectors are helping piece together what happened. “We’re just starting the investigation,” he said Thursday. “There were some thefts. We’re trying to determine who had actual mail stolen. We’re working with the Postal Service right now on that.” The break-ins were reported last Wednesday, but Eidemiller said it appears the unlawful entry may have occurred sometime during the June 13-14 weekend.

### Man charged in burglary

A 35-year-old man was booked into county jail on a felony burglary charge. A judge ordered Roberto Cardenas Serrato released on Thursday, two days after he was arrested for allegedly stealing equipment from a home under a remodel project in the 400 block of West California Avenue in Homedale. Eidemiller said Serrato was picked up after it was discovered tools and miscellaneous home and building supplies were missing. Earlier this year, the Homedale resident was jailed three days and fined \$250 for misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession. — JPB



Roberto Serrato

## Marsing school trustees approve next year’s budget

Music fee increase will also take effect

The Marsing school board has signed off on a new budget for the next fiscal year. It was approved during a joint budget and fee increase hearing June 15. The new budget is seeded by \$9.6 million in state, federal and local funding — an increase of \$382,044 over 2014-15. There were few changes in the 2015-16 budget compared to the 2014-15, district business manager Deb Holzhey said. However, school board trustees did have to factor in a recently passed levy. Patrons passed a two-year, \$800,000 supplemental levy for operations on May 19. Property owners in the district could pay \$78 annually on \$100,000 of net taxable property value, but Holzhey said that figure may change. “I said 78 cents per \$1,000. That was worst-case scenario.

### Correction

Information provided by Owyhee County in a legal publication in the June 10 and June 17 issues of The Owyhee Avalanche was incorrect. The job showing for contractors interested in bidding on the county courthouse roof project will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 24. The date was incorrect in the legal notice.

After the news about our market values skyrocketing, we may be able to bring that 78 cents down. So that would be good,” Holzhey said. “After the tremendous community support we got from the levy, our kids and the education support from the budget, it was pretty much smooth sailing for us during that meeting,” Zone 4 Trustee Michelle Jacobi said. The district received \$135,520 in school building maintenance funds from the state. Holzhey explained \$75,000 of that will be used to purchase new HVAC systems for all three schools. The Rural Education Achievement Program from the U.S. Department of Education gave Marsing schools \$27,034 for the next fiscal year. That money will, “pay for a half-time aide in kindergarten and a full-time aide in the high school,” Holzhey said. The district will also benefit from Title 2A federal funding to improve teacher quality. “Where that money goes is, for teachers who are mentoring other teachers,” Holzhey said. She also said the district was given \$28,333 in state funds to buy a new school bus. The district just bought a new bus last year for \$88,000, so the \$28,333 will be squirreled away and added upon over a few years until another new bus is needed, Holzhey said. ISAT remediation of \$124,856 for all three schools will be used for curriculum improvements. Holzhey reminds people that the budget can be reviewed at the district office on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue West from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday. A fee increase hearing was also held June 15 to discuss money that choir students have already paid in recent years. Choir students have been paying a \$40 participation fee to fund T-shirts and festival and competition registration costs. That fee had never been subject to the public hearing process required by state law before last week, however. The fee had never been put into writing prior to the June 15 hearing. Trustees previously had held a public hearing on band fees, which were set at \$30 for middle school students and \$25 for high school students. “Any of the extra-curricular activities, if we’re going to be able to provide them for our kids in budgetary constraints ... the kids are going to have to be a little bit more vested in these programs,” Jacobi said. — SC

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# Homedale High grad aims to improve water in Africa

College freshman part of engineering team

A Homedale High School graduate seeking a better education will try to help Kenyan children toward that same goal this summer.

Lydia Aman is part of a four-person team leaving Sunday on an expedition to build a well at a primary school in the East African nation's Khwisero District.

"I'm excited. It's an awesome opportunity," she said. "I never dreamed (of this).

"It was a surprise that I went to Montana let alone going to Africa this summer."

The six-week project is the latest installment in a 10-year relationship that the Montana State University Engineers Without Borders chapter has had with schools in Khwisero.

Aman is well technician for an implementation team that will build a well at the Emulole Primary School in the village of Kakamega, which is about 400 miles from the Ugandan border and an equal distance northwest of the Kenyan capital of Nairobi.



Lydia Aman

In addition to building the Emulole well, Aman will check up on other MSU EWB projects.

"Our projects are aimed to provide a better education for some of those kids because they miss a lot of days of school because they're sick," the daughter of Rob and Bridget Aman said.

The sick days aren't the only thing keeping the students out of the classroom.

"They send the girls from the schools with buckets to a spring 1

kilometer away from the school," the 2014 HHS graduate said. "It's a rugged path, and the girls spend a lot of time out of school because they're fetching water."

Clean sanitation and clean water at the school site will help keep the children at their desks, Aman said.

Along with teammate and fellow Treasure Valley freshman Connor Hoffman, Aman flies out of Boise on Sunday. Other team members include Aubrey LaBarre

from Texas and project mentor Nick Cusick, who is a senior studying Civil Engineering in Bozeman. The faculty member is Katy Plymnesser from MSU-Billings.

A Dean's List student studying chemical and biological engineering, Aman started a Gofundme website to raise money for the trip, and she is also dipping into the money she saved up for her college expenses. Her work wages will help replenish the college fund, she said.

It'll take two days to fly from Boise to Nairobi, and there's a 22-hour layover in Amsterdam, which is the second leg of the trip after a stop in Minneapolis on Sunday. The group has lined up a place to stay in the Dutch capital through the website Airbnb.com.

It's not the first time Aman has traveled to an area of the world where people are less fortunate. Just a few years ago, she took a family trip to Honduras.

"I have been to a Third World country. It's definitely a different experience. It's humbling," she said. "It gives you a different worldwide standpoint."

In addition to the cultural education, Aman hopes to learn techniques that will help her

approach to engineering. "As an engineer, it will really help me get a better understanding on how to get things done differently," she said.

The team has been working on its project intensely since January when Khwisero native Ronald Omyonga proposed the project. Omyonga works constantly to improve conditions in his home area.

"The harder part was coming up with how we were going to facilitate the project in the community," Aman said.

"Anyone can put in a well, but (EWB-MSU members) try to do the project so the school has ownership of the project."

The MSU team will live and eat in the community, but once the students leave on Aug. 7, the folks left behind will be responsible for maintenance on the well.

"I want to have a better understanding of the projects and what goes in to putting them together as far as our chapter with Khwisero because we have so many projects ahead that we're working on," she said.

"I really want to build a better relationship with the community and make it more effective."

— JPB

From page 1

## ✓ Gateway: Flagpoles have been ordered

you focus more on the wood," Taggart said.

Two city public works crew members assisted Taggart and Stokes during their June 9 work.

The Gardeners put in mostly petunias but also a few geraniums, club member Ellen Dines said.

The flowers were placed under and in front of the sign. Flowers behind it won't be planted until flagpoles are installed.

Organizers will hold off on putting in curbing around the flowerbed until the main flagpole is put in.

"It will be inside the flowerbed, and so we don't want to pour the curbing and then get it torn up with the excavation for the concrete for the pole," Homedale Chamber of Commerce president Gavin Parker said.

He's still getting a couple more bids on the curbing work and said he hasn't been very happy with the numbers he has been hearing. Parker wouldn't say what kind of figures he has been receiving on the bids.

The Chamber has committed to purchasing the curbing as part of the sign project.

The curbing will be a circular or oval shape and will encompass the sign and flowerbed. Its purpose will be to contain the plant material and provide an edge for the city lawnmower to go around.

Taggart and Stokes still have some work to do with the petrified

wood for the project.

"We got another one that is just absolutely gorgeous, it's going to go around the flagpole. It's a huge, big piece of petrified stump about 3 feet high and the center isn't in it, and that will go around the flagpole," Taggart said.

There will actually be three flagpoles installed behind the sign, with the center pole being the tallest.

Matteson Family Trust directors have agreed to cover the \$3,000 cost to erect the flagpoles.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller has ordered the flagpoles from a company in Bear Creek, Wis., but said he wasn't sure when they might get here.

He's also ordering flags from local vendors. The American flag will be 6 feet by 10 feet while the POW/MIA and State of Idaho flags will be 5x8.

Plans to create a Chamber of Commerce flag and a city flag are still being worked on.

"We've at least got the three main ones and, even the city and the Chamber flag, they'd go underneath on the two smaller poles. So we'll have three flags flying no matter what, but I don't know that those other two will be up there yet," Parker said.

The rocks placed around the flowerbed came from the Silver City area and were donated by former city councilman

Tim Downing. They originally belonged to his grandfather, Walt Adams, who was a World War I veteran.

Taggart said when he was a boy, Adams ran the bus company that served schools around Homedale. Adams' wife Mildretta wrote several books about the area including, "Historic Silver City, The Story of the Owyhees."

Taggart and Stokes were invited to help the Gardeners with the sign project. The two have worked together for more than 30 years. Both men have also been heavily involved with the Boy Scouts in Homedale.

Taggart is a former Homedale School District administrator.

"I've lived around here forever, and I've got a lot of landscaping at my place," Taggart said. "Ned here worked for the school district. He was our school librarian."

Stokes earned a degree in landscape architecture after he retired.

"So I said, 'We need to get Ned involved,'" Taggart added.

The plan is to have all of the landscaping work and flower planting complete by the Fourth of July. That is also when Mayor Gheen Christoffersen hopes to have the poles and flags in place.

"They are going to hold off on some of the shrubs and things until fall, until it's a little cooler," Parker said.

— SC

## ✓ Homedale: Atkins says no, Tines absent for vote

shop said he was opposed salary increases, missed last week's workshop because of work commitments. An attempt to include Tines as part of a teleconference by cell phone was unsuccessful.

Council members will make \$3,381 each in the next fiscal year, which is \$281.75 monthly.

The council also approved Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller's request to retain the code enforcement officer position while adding a sixth patrol officer to next year's budget. With the addition of the sixth patrol officer and a five percent pay increase, police department wages will increase 22.3 percent to \$197,150, a net

gain of nearly \$36,000 over the FY 2015 budget.

All other city employees will receive a three percent pay increase.

The public hearing for the FY 2016 budget will be held during the city council's regular meeting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 12. The budget is scheduled for approval during the Aug. 27 regular meeting, according to City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram.

The council's next regular meeting takes place at 6 p.m. on Thursday at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

— JPB

## Amateur radio event set in Marsing

Ham radio on-air demonstrations will be a staple Saturday and Sunday during the Lewis & Clark Amateur Radio Club's Field Day at Island Park in Marsing.

The club's on-the-air demonstration will begin at noon Saturday and run until noon Sunday.

The event is part of Amateur Radio Week in Idaho.

## Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 17 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 154 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 176 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 118,087 acre-feet of water on Monday.

**Note** — SNOTEL statistics were gathered from the Natural Resources Conservation Service website at 3 p.m. Monday (Year-to-date precipitation is measured from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.)



# Senior menus

## Homedale Senior Center

June 24: Chicken salad, lettuce/tomato, ambrosia salad, bread, salad bar, milk  
June 25: Salisbury steam w/onions, mashed potatoes, carrots, bread, salad bar, milk  
June 30: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, spinach, bread, salad bar, milk  
July 1: Rice, bread, milk, salad bar (lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, carrot salad)  
July 2: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas & carrots, bread, milk, (lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, carrot salad)  
July 7: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, bread milk, (lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, apricots)

## Marsing Senior Center

Salad bar available daily. All breakfast orders come w/meat, eggs, fruit, juice & milk  
June 24: Chicken pot pie, broccoli, beets, pork & beans, jello w/ fruit, rice salad, milk  
June 25: Pork, peas & carrots, peaches, potatoes, roll, milk  
June 29: Breakfast, pancakes  
June 30: Meatloaf, carrots, pineapple, pasta salad, bread, milk

## Rimrock Senior Center

June 25: Beef roast, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, bacon & onions, vanilla wafer banana pudding, milk, juice  
June 30: Sausage patties, scrambled eggs, English muffin, fresh orange juice or slices, milk, juice  
July 2: Salisbury steak, corn, baked potato, sliced tomatoes, spinach salad, cookie bars, milk, juice  
July 7: Beef stroganoff, noodles, green beans, tossed salad, dressing, rhubarb crisp, milk, juice

# Birthday

## Legrande Leavitt marks 98<sup>th</sup>

Family and friends are invited to an open house to celebrate Legrande Leavitt's 98<sup>th</sup> birthday. The celebration takes place form 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 27, 2015 at Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation, 108 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.



## OREGON-IDAHO UTILITIES, INC.

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- \*State Medical Programs (at or below 135% of federal poverty guidelines)
- \*Medicaid
- \*National School Lunch Program; Free Lunch Program Only
- \*Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- \*Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)

You may also qualify if your total income is at or below 135% of federal poverty guidelines.

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Please contact the Oregon Public Utility Commission at 1-800-848-4442 to request an application or visit [www.rspf.org](http://www.rspf.org) to apply online.

# Obituary

## Lloyd E. Cox



Lloyd E. Cox, age 95, passed away Friday June 12, 2015 of natural causes at Spring Creek Manor - Senior Living in Boise, Idaho. Lloyd was born September 29, 1919 in Caldwell, Idaho and spent his youth in Homedale. He was a proud College of Idaho graduate, World War II Veteran and spent over three decades as a math teacher in the State of California before returning to Homedale after his retirement. He was married to Catherine Cox, which blessed him with four stepdaughters: Mary Proctor, Dorita Seamons, married to Doug Seamons, Carol Belcher, significant other Chuck Maryhew, and Faye Heilesen, significant other David March, in addition to his two biological children, Peggy Commins and Catherine Cox. Lloyd was blessed with 21 grandchildren: Robin Marshall, Austin and Kristin Commins, Jeff and Wendy Belcher,

Tammy and Don Cuculich, TJ Proctor, Jim Proctor, Joe Proctor, Tom and Lisa Proctor, Sonja and Mark Johnstone, Eric Heilesen, Katie and Eric Sallee, Ron Overton, Jason Overton, Patrick Seamons and Nikki Seamons. He was also blessed with 30 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Our father, papa, grandpa, great-grandpa, great-great-grandpa and friend, Lloyd Cox, was an amazing man and very much loved. He was a strong-willed, extremely proud, highly intelligent and tough man who will be dearly missed. He could tell you so many different stories about World War II, anything about history, math and how to live a long healthy life — always referred to as not drinking the booze and staying active! You will truly be dearly missed. We love you to the moon and back. A Viewing for Lloyd will be held on Monday, June 22, 2015 from 10:00 AM to 10:45AM at Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Caldwell. Funeral services will follow at 11:00 AM at the Chapel with Interment at Canyon Hill Cemetery, Caldwell. Condolences may be sent to [www.flahifffuneralchapel.com](http://www.flahifffuneralchapel.com).

# Grazing field day set for Saturday

A summit focusing on sustainable agricultural practices will be held Saturday southeast of Marsing. The second annual Grazing Field Day will happen from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at McIntyre Farms, 17773 Lewis Lane in rural Caldwell off of Riverside Road in Canyon County. A limited number of tickets are still available. They are \$50 and can be reserved by calling John Van Der Giessen with the Idaho Center for Sustainable Agriculture, which is sponsoring the event. Van Der Giessen can be contacted at (208) 854-9589. He can also be reached by email at [john@idahocsa.org](mailto:john@idahocsa.org). Grazing Field Day is expected to attract Ag producers, state and

federal organizations, consumers, non-profits and young and aspiring farmers and ranchers, Van Der Giessen said. Topics that will be covered Saturday include stock selection and genetics, grazing management, the importance of mineral supplementation, increasing production per acre and rotating livestock on row crop ground. About 50 or 60 people attended the first Grazing Field Day at McIntyre Farms last fall. Featured speakers at the event include:

- Jim Gerrish, American GrazingLands Services, May — grazing management
- Steve Campbell, Triangle C Beef, Parma — how to get minerals back into soil and foods and

get toxins out

- Marlon Winger, U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service — understanding soil health
- Glenn Elzinga, Alder Spring Ranch, May — differences between finishing pasture and maintenance pasture
- John Snider, PGG Seeds — re-integration of grazing for soil conservation
- Brad McIntyre, McIntyre Farms, Caldwell — water conservation
- Pam Holloway, Savory Hub of North Idaho, Deary — holistic management to build & maintain success
- Tim Fenwick, Idaho Power — irrigation energy conservation programs

# Locals earn NNU degrees, honors

Students with Owyhee County ties have earned spots on the Northwest Nazarene University Dean's List. Qualifying for the spring semester honor roll with at least a 3.5 grade-point average were:

Nicole Keller — An

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undergraduate from Homedale

Tennille Marcum — A Marsing resident enrolled in the Nampa university's adult and professional program

Luisa Lowry — A Caldwell resident and Jordan Valley High School graduate who is the daughter of Miren Lowry, granddaughter of Tim and Rosa Maria Lowry and great-granddaughter of Bill and Nita Lowry. Luisa graduated May 9 with a master's degree in

Exceptional Child.

Shannon Welch — A Marsing High School graduate who is a resident of Caldwell. She also earned a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. Dean's List honorees must attain at least a 3.5 grade-point average during the semester. Undergrads must take at least 12 graded credit hours of classes, while graduate students must carry six graded credit hours.

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# Spice up meals without salt

Many times when we are cooking meals at home, we reach for the salt and pepper to add some additional flavor to our dish. Unfortunately, as we do this, we are increasing the sodium level within our bodies, which can create issues for our kidneys to keep up. On top of this, there are increased issues for our heart as it deals with increased pressure on our blood vessels, leading to concerns with high blood pressure, heart attack and even stroke. There are serious concerns for those that are at a high risk already — those who are over the age of 50, individuals with high or elevated blood pressure already and those who have diabetes.

So how can we work to reduce our risk of these heart-related



Surine Greenway

## University of Idaho Extension

issues while still enjoying our home-cooked meals? We can do this by using herbs and spices to add flavoring instead. Spring has turned into summer, but the great thing about herbs is that several different kinds grow well both inside and outside of our homes.

Here are some herbs that grow fairly easy in this area (just make sure to place in direct sunlight and water on a regular basis):

**Mint** — Be careful with mint, you may want to use a planter because it spreads and overtakes other plants easily. Nice addition in summer drinks or lighter meals.

**Rosemary** — Goes nicely with potatoes or lamb dishes.

**Oregano** — Great for incorporation into slightly heartier meals, typically beef.

**Basil** — Grows nicely, but you will want to keep an eye on this to make sure that it does not go to seed. Great for making pesto,

Italian-inspired dishes and even sprucing up a salad.

**Cilantro** — Just as with basil, make sure you do not allow to go to seed. Wonderful addition to Mexican-themed dishes and freshening up snacks.


**Parsley** — Nicely added to soups and cooked dishes.

**Chives** — Cut some up and throw in as a raw garnish!

When using spices that are purchased commercially, make sure that you are selecting those that are a single ingredient spice, not a mix. Most spice mixes have the inclusion of salt, so if you are going to utilize a spice mix, opt for those that are sodium-free.

— Surine Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. For more information, 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. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing.

### Owyhee Then & Now



Michael F. Hanley IV

## Tales of the I.O.N. Country

### Foreword (conclusion)

Frank Gregg, director of the Bureau of Land Management during the Carter administration, said that the heritage that went with the Western Livestock Industry based on the public lands was “important in how America feels about itself.”

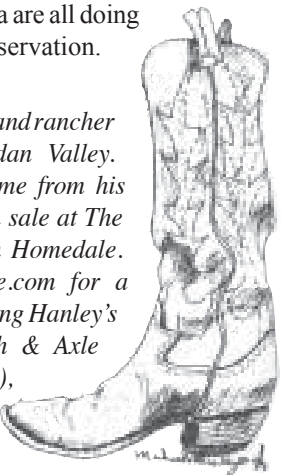
I believe this is true, but more basic than that, is the rule my grandfather, Jim McEwen told me, “Every farmer and rancher should leave the land better than he found it.” He did, and I’ll do the same even if I must contend with hostility from sources more concerned about removing me from the public land than they are at conserving the same.

I want to be optimistic and do see trends developing which hopefully will bring a positive approach to public land management. The Forest Service and BLM are closely watching the effects of several groups that have organized in Oregon to work out conflicts. Among them are the Oregon Watershed Improvement Coalition and the Public Land Restoration Task Force. These groups are made up of a diverse sampling including ranchers, the timber industry, The Society of Range Management, and environmental groups.

The little part of the West known as the I.O.N. Country is not defined by boundaries but through a common heritage. Where the states of Idaho, Oregon and Nevada come together is roughly the center of the I.O.N. Country, which is larger than some eastern states.

In *Tales of the I.O.N. Country* I present information of the beginnings of the Livestock Industry with a rancher’s insight. The first operators were largely men of vision as are today’s, but my horizons are much closer than my grandfather’s. Oh, how I wish I could work with the big outfits on the open unfenced range, but those days are past and it is up to my generation to pass on our way of life even if it has been modified by time. I sincerely hope the children of the I.O.N. Country take an interest in their heritage because I feel that only with a knowledge of the past will they be able to succeed in the future. We are fortunate in that we have historical societies and historians who are active. The Harney County Historical Society and museum in Burns, Ore., The Owyhee County Historical Society and museum in Murphy, the Malheur County Historical Society, which represents Malheur County, Ore., and the Northern Nevada Historical Society and Museum at Winnemucca are all doing a good job of historical preservation.

— 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.owyheeaavalanche.com](http://www.owyheeaavalanche.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

### Coffee club

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

## Thursday

### Fit and fall exercise class

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

### Homedale City Council meeting

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

### TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting

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

## Friday

### Homedale mobile food pantry

10 a.m. to noon, Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4033

### Story Time

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

## Saturday

### Free lunches

Noon to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

## Monday

### Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

## Tuesday

### Fit and fall exercise class

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

## Wednesday

### Military veterans coffee

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

### Coffee club

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

## Thursday, July 2

### Fit and fall exercise class

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center,

224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

### Lizard Butte Library board meeting

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

### TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting

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

### Homedale Rod & Gun Club meeting

7:30 p.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st W., Homedale. (208) 921-6578 or (208) 283-0431

## Friday, July 3

### Marsing Celebration of our Nation

6 p.m., Island Park, Marsing.

### Marsing Lions Barbecue

6 p.m., \$30 family, \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, \$5 youth 12-16, \$3 children 11 and younger, Island Park, Marsing.

## Saturday, July 4

### Free lunches

Noon to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

### Homedale Lions Fourth of July Demolition Derby

4 p.m., gates, 6 p.m., heats, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 866-2629 or (208) 250-0720

## Monday, July 6

### Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

### Marsing-Homedale Cemetery board meeting

2 p.m., Marsing-Homedale Cemetery office, Cemetery Road, Marsing.

## Tuesday, July 7

### Blood pressure clinic

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

### Fit and fall exercise class

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

### Senior center bridge

1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430 Tuesdays and Thursdays

### Dance class

1 p.m., free, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3254

# EMT class set in Homedale

The Homedale Ambulance District will host an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) class.

The class will begin in July and run through the summer, Homedale Emergency Medical Services administrator Lisa Rittenhouse said.

An informational class for those interested in becoming an EMT will be held at 6:30 tonight in the Homedale Ambulance Hall, 10 W. Colorado St. across from the fire department.

Anyone with questions regarding the classes can contact Rittenhouse at (208) 573-1209.



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Homedale Highway District secretary Terri Uria (foreground) opens a bid \as commissioners Joel Wilson, right, and Larry Prow and Idaho Sand and Gravel rep Kevin Crockett look on.

## E. Thompson paving bid below expectation

### Contract yet to be awarded

Repairing a stretch of East Thompson Road won't cost as much as officials initially thought.

Bids from four construction companies were opened during the Homedale Highway District's June 16 special meeting.

Nampa-based Idaho Sand and Gravel, whose representative Kevin Crockett attended the meeting, emerged as the apparent low bidder at \$54,877 to rehabilitation a little more than a quarter-mile of the roadway.

District director of highways Stewart Constantine had told commissioners during the June 10 regular meeting that he expected

a cost of \$59,932 to pave 1,500 feet of the roadway that has been plagued by asphalt breakup.

At Constantine's request, Subdistrict 2 Commissioner Joel Wilson and board chair Larry Prow (from Subdistrict 1) tabled a discussion of the bids until the next regular meeting, which will take place at noon on Wednesday, July 8. Subdistrict 3 Commissioner Scott Salutregui missed last week's special meeting.

Other contractors bidding on the project included:

- Nampa Paving at \$55,039.99
- Winn & Co., Buhl, at \$61,080
- Showalter Construction, Marsing, at \$63,553.60

Only Idaho Sand and Gravel had a representative at last week's bid opening.

## Homedale library director job open

The City of Homedale will accept job applications until July 10 for public library director.

A help wanted ad will appear in The Owyhee Avalanche for the next two weeks.

The city is searching for a successor for Margaret Fujishin, who has served as library director for nearly 30 years. Her last day is Aug. 11.

Those interested can pick up an application and a detailed job description at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Applications will be accepted through July 10.

**Story time set Friday**

The Fourth of July comes early to the Homedale Public Library on Friday.

Story Time will feature "Fourth of July Mice" by Bethany Roberts. The event starts at 10:15 a.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Coordinator Mary Williams said the library will be closed July 3 for the Independence Day holiday, meaning the next Story Time will be held on July 10.

The mice in this week's Story Time selection apparently know how to party, and the story will showcase their patriotic flair.

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# Owyhee 4-H announces oral presentation awards

Owyhee County 4-H judges reviewed 99 presentations in the annual oral presentations contest held late last month.

Presentations covered topics in horse, agriculture and non-agriculture categories and were carried on May 26 in Grand View and May 28 in Marsing.

“The 4-H members did great this year and our judges really enjoyed the different types of presentations they got to watch,” 4-H officials said in a press release.

There were 28 presentations in horse topics and 71 in the agriculture and non-agriculture divisions.

**Horse**

**Senior** — 1. Jaycee Engle, Owyhee Outlaws, “DIET (Did I Eat That?)”; 2. Morgan Monson, Wilson Butte, “A Horse is a Horse of Course”; 3. Janey Clay, Ruff Riders; 4. Warren Dalley, Ruff Riders; 5. Tanner Fisher, Wilson Butte; 6. Caitlyn Line, Wilson Butte

**Intermediate** — 1. Cheylah Volkers, Wilson Butte, “Three Greens of a Horse”; 2. Madison Shields-McLeish, Dust Devils, “Thick or Thin? Fit or Fat”; 3. Halie Workman, Owyhee Outlaws, “What Were You Thinkin’?”; 4. Jaiden Vincent, Dust Devils, “Dress for Success — Paint the Picture”; 5. Katelyn Workman, Owyhee Outlaws, “From the Horse’s Mouth”; 6. Annie Miller, Ruff Riders, “A Quarter Mile — History of the American Quarter Horse”. **Others** — Treylan Fisher, Wilson Butte; Amber Allen, Dust Devils; Montana Wasson, Ruff Riders; Carter Clay, Ruff Riders;

and Lauren Jensen, Barnyard Brigade

**Junior 2** — 1. Fallon Wasson, Ruff Riders, “Equine Rescue 411”; 2. Chloe Heitz, Barnyard Brigade, “AKHAL-TEKE”

**Junior 1** — 1. Gene Showalter, Owyhee Silver Spurs, “Blindsided by Blinders”; 2. Hannah Moos, Wilson Butte, “Hay, who bit me?”; 3. Llee May Loucks, Owyhee Silver Spurs, “How Much Do You Know About a Horse?”; 4. Emma Nelson, Ruff Riders, “Nelson’s Nickers ’n’ Neighs; 5. Ahna Shaffer, Barnyard Brigade, “Top Three Horse Breeds in America”; 6. Kate Hipwell, Owyhee Outlaws, “Ellie’s Belly — Horse Digestion”. **Others** — Riley Workman, Owyhee Outlaws; 2. Julianna Clair, Ruff Riders

**Agriculture**

**Senior** — 1. Mikaela Keppler, Snake River Livestock, “Pig Worms”. **Others** — Spencer Fisher, Wilson Butte; Madison Magers, Snake River Livestock

**Intermediate** — 1. Hannah Field, Snake River Livestock, “Show Equipment for Goats”; 2. Juliette Larzelier, Shoofly; 3. Ainslee Evans, Shoofly, “Custabrand”. **Others** — Taylor Ann Thomas-Fisher, Wilson Butte; Cheylah Volkers, Wilson Butte; Kevin Meyers, Snake River Livestock; Mary Ellen Cossel, Wilson Butte; Jessica Sevy, Wilson Butte; Samantha Lindquist, Snake River Livestock; Constance Bowers, Wilson Butte; Tyler Roberts, Wilson Butte; Annie Miller, Ruff Riders; Lauren Jensen, Barnyard Brigade; Trey Wilson, Wilson Butte; Taylor



Llee Loucks, Mila Astorquia, and Regan Stansell perform their television commercial during the Owyhee County 4-H Oral Presentations last month in Marsing. Submitted photo

Magers, Snake River Livestock; Phoenix Wright, Snake River Livestock; Elizabeth Harmon, Wilson Butte; Laura Gasper, Snake River Livestock; Justin Lindquist, Snake River Livestock; Cashus Sevy, Wilson Butte; Austyn Kerbs, Shoofly

**Junior 2** — 1. John Lejardi, Shoofly, “Characteristics in a Hog”; 2. Jacque Schkade, Snake River Livestock, “What Can You Make Out of a Goat?”; 3. Colton Brown, Wilson Butte, “Bacon is Meat Candy”. **Others** — Makenna DeWitt, Shoofly; Brayden Christoffersen, Shoofly; Zane Mills, Bruneau Canyon; Shea Jensen, Barnyard Brigade; David Cossell, Wilson Butte; Lainey Keppler, Snake River Livestock; Logan Field, Snake River Livestock; Emma Eldridge, Bruneau Canyon; Casey Derrick, Bruneau Canyon; Justin Gramps, Wilson Butte; Cameron

Robbins, Wilson Butte; Rya Buckingham, Bruneau Canyon; Belisia Larzelier, Shoofly; Emma Criffield, Shoofly; Alexis Sevy, Wilson Butte; Andrew Sevy, Wilson Butte; Laney Jenkins, Snake River Livestock; Caitlyn Pate, Wilson Butte; Fallon Wasson, Ruff Riders; Hailee Meyers, Snake River Livestock; Mitchell Erwin, Bruneau Canyon

**Junior 1** — 1. Isana Larzelier, Shoofly, “Wild Pig vs. Domestic Pig”; 2. Braden Volkers, Wilson Butte; 3. Grace Noe, Wilson Butte, “Read, Set, Rabbit”. **Others** — Jade Reisinger, Snake River Livestock; 2. Abby Eldridge, Bruneau Canyon; Jackson Kerbs, Shoofly; Makenzie Magers, Snake River Livestock; Audrie Miller, Ruff Riders; Jacquelin Sotelo, Wilson Butte; Keylee Wilson, Wilson Butte; Kate Christoffersen, Shoofly; Carsten Volkers, Wilson Butte

**Cloverbuds** — Madison Magers, Snake River Livestock, “Eggs”; and Tessa Mills and Ainsley Erwin, “How to Wash a Goat”; Ryan Gasper; Steve Field, Snake River Livestock

**Non-agriculture**

**Intermediate** — 1. Julianne Mori, Bruneau Canyon, “4-H Commercial”; 2. Justin Ineck, Wilson Butte, “Trigger Time”

**Junior 2** — 1. Jonathan Ineck, Wilson Butte, “Parts of a Shotgun, Part by Part”; 2. Team of Reagan Stansell, Mila Astorquia, and Llee Loucks, “The Classic, Fantastic, Showtastic Bag.”

**Junior 1** — 1. Gabrielle Noe, Wilson Butte, “Baking a Chocolate Cake”; 2. Olivia Asumendi, Shoofly; 3. Taylor Gasper, Snake River Livestock, “Cake Borders”. **Others** — Llee May Loucks, Owyhee Silver Spurs



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Rene Maestresjuan holds the Idaho Lottery prize check outside Pleasant Valley School. Photo courtesy Idaho Lottery

## Pleasant Valley School receives Lottery grant

Pleasant Valley School is getting some help from the Idaho Lottery.

The Owyhee County school near the Oregon border has been selected for one of five Money Makeover for Schools prizes.

Pleasant Valley officials will use the \$1,000 grant to augment the school’s textbook budget and to build additional bookshelves in the school library. Plans include

replacing the reading/language arts curriculum.

“The education of the student will be improved by providing the students and staff with new, updated research-based curriculum,” Pleasant Valley district administrator Rene Maestresjuan wrote in an email.

The Pleasant Valley application was among 29 submitted to the evaluation committee.



# Marsing residents sentenced for DUI

Three Marsing men have been sentenced following driving under the influence convictions.

One man, Leonardo Miranda-Rosale, finally received his sentence after he was arrested for failing to appear for a pretrial conference earlier this year.

Miranda-Rosale, who was arrested for DUI nearly a year ago, was credited with two months he has already spent behind bars. Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober suspended the remaining 60 days of a six-month jail term and levied fines and court costs of \$1,075 on misdemeanor charges of DUI and failure to purchase a driver’s license.

Miranda-Rosale also must serve two years on supervised probation.

Prosecutor Paul J. Fitzer dismissed the failure to appear misdemeanor.

Marsing resident Ricardo N. Cuevas-Contreras must report to jail by next Wednesday to serve one day behind bars after his sentencing for misdemeanor DUI.

Cuevas-Contreras was arrested in February after an Idaho State Police trooper stopped him.

Grober also imposed six months’ probation and suspended Cuevas-Contreras’ driving privileges for 180 days. The man must also pay \$750 in fines and court costs.

Paul J. Campbell received credit for two days spent in Owyhee County Jail at his sentencing hearing before Grober, who suspended the balance of a six-month jail term.

Campbell must serve 18 months’ probation and pay \$752 in court costs and fines. His driver’s license has been suspended for six months.

# Riddle-area rodent may have plague

Health officials are urging caution after a vole possibly infected with the plague was found along Idaho highway 51 near Riddle.

Testing of a vole, commonly called a meadow mouse, from a die-off of rodents in the Riddle area indicates possible plague, health and animal officials reported last week.

If the rodent does carry plague, Owyhee County will be the third southwest Idaho county to have plague cases in animals. Six voles and one wild mouse from the Riddle area were tested with one vole showing possible infection.

“Not all tested rodents are positive for plague; however, people need to be vigilant and take precautions for themselves and their pets,” state public health veterinarian Dr. Leslie Tengelsen said.

Plague is a bacterial disease of mammals that can cause serious illness to people and pets if not treated quickly. Common rodents that can become infected include mice, rats, voles, chipmunks, rock chucks, and ground squirrels, often referred to as whistle pigs.

The public is urged to take precautions and also report groups of dead rodents to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game <https://fishandgame.idaho.gov/content/plague>.

# Probation ordered for drug felony

A Spring Creek, Nev., man has been placed on 30 months’ probation after his conviction on a felony drug charge.

John Michael Baker received credit for 13 days he had spent in jail after his arrest during a Feb. 18 traffic stop on Idaho highway 51 outside the Duck Valley Indian Reservation.

Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan ordered the probation and fined Baker \$735.50.

Baker was also found guilty on misdemeanor charges of drug paraphernalia possession and a driver’s license violation.

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# Deputies deal with two stolen vehicles

Joy riders are suspected in the theft of two vehicles found in the Homedale area last week.

Owyhee County dispatchers received a report of a stolen vehicle and a recovered stolen vehicle from the same reporting party two hours apart last week.

Sheriff Perry Grant said the first vehicle was a brown 1992 GMC pickup owned by the Amalgamated Sugar Co. The suspect or suspects had apparently driven the truck to a location on Gulley Road northwest of Homedale and ditched it after blowing a tire and driving the truck on the wheel rim.

Grant said a white 1993 International farm truck was then taken from the property where the GMC pickup was abandoned. The GMC had been found underneath a hay barn with a rear wheel missing and the rear window broken out. Grant said a dead jackrabbit was found in the back of the pickup, and he suspects the joy riders probably went hunting.

Grant said the reporting party said the International, which is owned by Symms Fruit Ranch, hadn’t been started in a year and

The sheriff said the man was surprised the truck started so easily given the time it had been parked.

The International farm truck was recovered at East Oregon Avenue and North 4<sup>th</sup> Street East two days later.

Grant said authorities have no suspects at this time.

— JPB

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# Locals eligible for Silver State rodeo

## Homedale's Pickett qualifies for national finals

The championship season continues next week for high school rodeo athletes.

Four local cowboys and cowgirls have earned the opportunity to compete in the Silver State International Rodeo, which runs Tuesday through Sunday, July 5, in Winnemucca, Nev.

A pair of Adrian High School graduates lead the way.

Quincy Pendergrass qualified in two events during the Idaho High School Finals Rodeo earlier this month in Pocatello.

Pendergrass was fifth in goat tying and ninth in breakaway roping.

Tyler Reay is eligible for the Winnemucca rodeo after his fifth-place showing in steer wrestling.

The Silver State International Rodeo invites the fifth- through 15<sup>th</sup>-place finishers in each event at state and, in Canada, provincial championship rodeos.

Two Marsing athletes also can make the trip to Winnemucca.

Ria Kent was sixth in barrel racing at State, and she finished fifth in the girls' all around.

Lorenzo Lankow grabbed fifth in bareback riding.

Homedale graduate Bo Pickett, who plans to compete collegiately for Sam Houston State in Texas, has qualified for the National High School Finals Rodeo.

Pickett is eligible in tie down roping and team roping during the July 12-18 rodeo, which will take place in Rock Springs, Wyo.

An eighth-place finisher in the IHSFR boys' all around, Pickett finished fourth in tie down roping and grabbed third with his partner, Nick Eiguren of Jordan Valley, in the team roping at Pocatello.

# Rumbling Rivercats rally from narrow loss

After their six-game winning streak came to a close, the Owyhee Rivercats used big innings to resume their winning ways in American Legion baseball.

The team is back in action at 6 p.m. today at the Homedale High School diamond against Vallivue.

**Thursday: Rivercats 16, Treasure Valley Stars 6** — Owyhee used three offensive outbursts in Fruitland to improve to 9-3 in the Single A season.

Drew Taylor, Gunnar Clapp, Blake Patton, Wyatt Dorsey and Kendall Freelove knocked in two runs each and Austin Williams was 3-for-4 with two triples and a double. Williams, Clapp and Drew Deal scored three runs apiece.

Taylor drilled a two-run double in the third as Owyhee scored five times to take a 5-2 lead.

After Fruitland crept back to within one-run, Deal's run-scoring double sparked a seven-run sixth inning to blow the game open.

Williams led off the seventh with a triple and scored on Clapp's base hit, and Patton also smacked a run-scoring double.

**Last Wednesday: Vallivue Titans 3, Rivercats 2** — The host team used some of Owyhee's own magic to end the Rivercats' six-game winning streak during a sloppy game in Caldwell.

All five runs scored were unearned as the teams combined for nine errors.

In the bottom of the seventh inning, leadoff hitter Caulen Michael reached on Clapp's error at first base, stole second and scored on a two-base throwing error to end the game with a walk-off unearned run against Williams.

All three Vallivue runs

— scored in separate innings — were unearned as the Rivercats committed six errors.

Owyhee tied the game, 2-2, by scoring two unearned runs with two outs in the top of the sixth inning. Clapp and Jake Deal reached on two-out errors to start the rally, and both scored on Vallivue second baseman Kaden Fondren's throwing error after Patton's infield single.

**June 16: Rivercats 7, Caldwell Bobcats 4** — John Collett scattered six hits and notched eight strikeouts in a complete-game effort on the road.

Connor Carter scored the go-ahead run on Patton's sacrifice fly in the fifth inning. Jake Deal added insurance with an unearned run later in the frame.

Deal was 3-for-3 with two runs scored, while Drew Deal, Williams and Carter all had two singles each.

Taylor's two-run single tied the score, 2-2, in the fourth inning.

**June 15: Rivercats 5, Eagle 4** — Jake Deal scored an unearned run on a two-out error in the bottom of the sixth inning to complete a game-long comeback.

The Rivercats spotted another opponent an early lead as Eagle built a 4-0 advantage in the top of the first inning against Carter.

The Rivercats chipped away at the deficit when Drew Deal and Matt Thatcher scored on Williams' two-out single in the third inning.

Taylor tied the score, 4-4, with a two-out double to score Clapp and Patton in the Rivercats' next at-bat.

Jake Deal singled with one out in the sixth and scored when Taylor reached on an error.

# Veteran SBOC employee retires

## Larry Maybon leaves after 36 years with agency

The South Board of Control (SBOC) in Homedale is losing one of its longest-tenured employees.

Larry Maybon has been with South Board for 36 years, and his last day on the job will be Tuesday.

Maybon, 65, lives in Homedale and was born and raised in the area. He has been married 27 years to his wife Marilyn, a former Homedale Elementary School teacher. The couple has two children, 35-year-old Lisa and 33-year-old Sean.

After nearly four decades with the SBOC, Maybon still isn't sure what his position is called.

"Maintenance and shop clerk, I guess. I've never really had a title," he said.

"I've been about everything. I started out as a sprayer and then I got into maintenance, and now I'm pretty much on the bookwork. Federal audits, I do the billing and I go through the time cards and find out what the guys have done and I inventory."

Maybon added that he occasionally still does some maintenance on equipment.

He has enjoyed being with the SBOC.

"The friends I made at work and just working around the community dealing with the people and the farmers. It's been kind of fun. That's the best part right there, just being around the people," Maybon said.

He thinks there hasn't been anything that he hasn't liked about working for the South



Idaho Water Users Association nominating and awards committee chair Julie Sievers presents Larry Maybon with an outstanding employee award at last year's IWUA convention. Submitted photo

Board. However, "You had to learn to run the computer and that wasn't fun, but I learned how to do it," Maybon said.

Working with the ag community was a natural fit for Maybon. His father and grandfather were both farmers.

Maybon won an award last year from the Idaho Water Users Association.

"It was for employee of the year for the entire state, I believe, (SBOC water master John Eells) and I both got one. We had to go to the convention and get up and give a little speech and accept our award," Maybon said.

Getting the award wasn't a complete surprise. "We kind of figured something was up when they made us both go over there."

After all his years with the SBOC, Maybon has a unique perspective on the current drought situation.

"We'll get by. It's not good, but people survive and hopefully we'll get some snow this winter

so next year we don't have to put up with this," he said. "You got to be optimistic."

He also has a message for the co-workers he leaves behind.

"Eells had a spat with a water user, and they said, 'He's just a survivor,' so I guess that would be my message to the rest of the help: 'Just kind of be a survivor.'"

As far as his retirement, Maybon said it's simply time to call it quits.

"It gets to the point where you make as much retired as you do working, so you might as well enjoy your time," he said.

At this point, he and his wife have no plans to travel in their retirement years, but he said they might think about it someday.

"I got an acreage with a couple of cows, my grandkids got a couple goats I could watch and I have a llama or two, so I'll stay busy," Maybon said. "I know one thing, I'm not going to get up at 5 o'clock in the morning and irrigate anymore." — SC

# Sr. center anticipates new freezers

It's a slow process, but the upgrades continue at the Homedale Senior Center.

In the latest phase of the ongoing improvement project, coordinator Shirley McAbee is looking forward to going shopping.

McAbee and employees Bob and Marge Hartnoll recently picked up a \$2,500 grant during a ceremony at the Stueckle Sky Center at Albertsons Stadium in Boise.

The three attended the Select 25 awards luncheon last Wednesday on the Boise State University campus to receive a Select 25 grant.

The money will be used to replace two upright freezers at the senior center.

"We have three freezers that have been around about 30 years," McAbee said.

McAbee has been coordinator at the senior center, located at 224 W. Idaho Ave., for 11 years.

In addition to the upright freezers, the senior center also has an aging chest freezer where food used for the congregate luncheons and Meals on Wheels program are stored.

McAbee said the Select 25 grant wasn't earmarked strictly for the freezers although the grant application focused on the need for new freezers. Any money left over after new freezers are obtained will be used for other equipment needs.

A selection committee composed of representatives from SelectHealth, St. Luke's Health System and the community made the final decision for the 25 grants after receiving applications from more than 180 organizations.

Marge Hartnoll was featured in the luncheon program that outlined each of the 25 grant recipients.

— JPB



Coordinator Shirley McAbee stands next to the banner featuring employee Marge Hartnoll and signifying Homedale Senior Center as a Select 25 grant recipient.



# Txoko Ona enjoys heritage, summer



**Clockwise from top left:**  
Daniel Uranga swings the Basque flag during Herribatza Dantzariak's rendition of Ikurrina Dantza (the flag dance).  
Attendees at the Txoko Ona Basque Club's annual picnic view the Herribatza Dantzariak performance from a hillside.  
Teenagers took part in a youth mus tournament inside the Txoko Ona Basque Club. Photo by James Ferdinand  
A woman participates in the txinga eramatea (weight carrying) competition Sunday afternoon. Photo by James Ferdinand  
**On the cover:** Two young Herribatza Dantzariak members perform. Photo by James Ferdinand

## County commissioners approve more personnel

### Sheriff's office has new jailer, dispatcher

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners have approved three new hires this month, including two in the sheriff's office.

Sheriff Perry Grant received permission to employ a jailer and a dispatcher during the June 15 commissioners meeting.

Patrick Williams was hired as a new detention deputy. Williams has no law enforcement experience and previously worked as a driver for Swire Coca-Cola in Boise.

The commissioners set Williams' starting wage at \$13.67 per hour.

"I don't know when the next academy is, but he will go to POST within his first year," Grant said.

All new deputies must receive Idaho Peace Officer and Standards Training certification within a year of being hired. According to the Idaho POST website, the next detention deputy academy runs July 13 to Aug. 21. Two other academies are scheduled before Williams' one-year anniversary will roll around.

Williams succeeds Cody Hammond, who was transferred to the patrol roster. Hammond replaced Kyle Pearson, who

resigned from the sheriff's office on May 21. Pearson was facing termination after being charged with a DUI for driving drunk while on duty.

Williams' first day on the job will be Tuesday.

Inez Larrusea was hired as a new OCSO dispatcher, and her starting wage was also set at \$13.67 an hour.

She previously worked as a clerk at West Valley Medical Center.

Larrusea's first day in dispatch was Monday. She replaces Lucile Allen who resigned on April 24.

Tamie McGrew is the new roll clerk in the assessor's office. The BOCC approved

her employment on June 8.

McGrew replaced Rachelle Fahey, who had worked for Assessor Brett Endicott since November. Fahey recently replaced Trina Aman as chief deputy clerk. McGrew and Fahey both started their new positions at a pay rate of \$13.04 per hour.

Roll clerk in the assessor's office is a full-time position, County Clerk Angie Barkell said. She added that Endicott's employee budget line was adequate for the year to replace Fahey.

McGrew's first day on the job in the assessor's office was June 15.



# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



## On the edge of common sense Dead sheep

There’s been a dead sheep out in Brent’s wheat field for a month. Emilio had a band of ewes on the corn stalks across the road. I reckon that one got hit by a car.

The sheep have moved on. Brent plowed his field. Plowed around the carcass. Now it is sort of mouldering into the Earth. I see it every time I drive to town. Nobody pays much attention to it. It’s rural out here. But we had company last week. Town folks. They seemed a little upset that we’d just drive by a dead sheep day after day and not give it a second thought.

It reminded me of my trip to the nation’s capital. The parks and sidewalks speckled with people, beggars and winos. I couldn’t help but notice them. Where do they live? How much do they make a day holdin’ out a cup? Do they sleep in the park?

When I expressed my concern about these ragged folks, the locals seemed surprised. They hadn’t given it much thought, they said. Welfare or the soup kitchens, they guessed. This human flotsam was just part of the landscape, like bus fumes and potholes.

I wonder what sort of furor would erupt if there was a dead sheep at the corner of 9th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue? Would they just haul it off, or would there be an investigation? Would it be a police matter, the State Department, Department of Agriculture, the local humane society?

In small towns, a homeless person stands out like a dead sheep on the White House lawn! I would like to think they would be offered help. I do know they wouldn’t fade inconspicuously into the woodwork. They would, at the very least, get a lot of attention. They might even get arrested as vagrants!

Sometimes country compassion comes with a price, “We’ll get you fixed up and get you a job.” Maybe, just maybe, some of these drifters don’t want jobs. Maybe they prefer the anonymity of big cities where no one cares, but at least no one makes any demands.

Do people become more civilized when they move to the city? Or do they become more civilized when they move back to the country? I don’t know the answer to that.

But I guess I could go drag that ol’ sheep off. I thought if I waited long enough the coyotes or United Way would take care of the problem. ’Course maybe the sheep likes it there.

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### Letters to the editor

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Jon P. Brown, managing editor

## Eyes on Owyhee Coffee and conversation



The locale has changed a couple times over the years, as had the membership with the passage of time, but the Wednesday Coffee Ladies has had a few constants over the past 14 years.

The first is obvious — coffee will be consumed.

June Pollock continues as the ringleader, and that means anyone who shows up at the Homedale Senior Center at 9 a.m. on any given Wednesday will be subject to humorous stories and hearty laughs.

Just as there are constants to the group, a short list of don’ts were developed, too.

“When it started years ago, I said there are three things we can’t do,” Pollock said. “We can’t gossip, we can’t talk politics and we can’t talk religion.

“We talk current events. We just have a good time.”

Pollock is one of the charter members of this group, which began its tradition on Aug. 15, 2001.

The first meeting place was Lori’s Latte in the Jackson Hotel on West Idaho Avenue.

Pollock said the club was a brainstorm of Lorraine Stone, who was one of a band of people who walked for exercise, including Bob and Marge Hartnoll and Sandy Sarceda.

“She thought us ladies should have a lady coffee group,” Pollock writes in the history of the group.

Ostensibly, it was about equal time. Stone figured the men — mostly farmers — had their caffeine coterie, so why couldn’t the women have a coffee covey?

“We had lots of talk, jokes, big stories and decided to meet the next Wednesday at Lori’s, and our coffee group started,” Pollock wrote.

The group isn’t exclusionary, though. Pollock said the 9 a.m. Wednesday meetings at the Homedale Senior Center are open to men, too.

In fact, Forest Parker was a mainstay beginning on Oct. 3, 2001 when he accompanied his wife, Iris. Pollock said Forest came every week until the end of his life.

“He started coming with her, and he did it until he died,” Pollock said.

Wednesday Coffee Group eventually became the Wednesday Coffee Ladies — by an actual vote about 13 years ago — but the other constant that remains for these ladies is the friendship, regardless of where the coffee is poured.

After spending time at Lori’s Lattes, the group moved to the senior center before transferring to a coffee shop on Main Street then settling in at the Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant.

The group returned to the senior center in March.

“They love it down there,” Pollock said.

The dozen or so women who gather at the senior center each week make sure they keep the pantry stocked with coffee, too. It costs a \$1 for your first cup, and refills are free.

— See *Coffee*, page 15

Wayne Hoffman, president

## Idaho Freedom Foundation Rerouting of state pension bill won’t fly with taxpayers



by Wayne Hoffman

Last legislative session, a bill suddenly disappeared from radar, and only now do we know why: It had the potential to impact the retirements of people serving in the state Senate.

The bill in question is the one that would have stopped legislators from padding their pensions by taking a state government job. After passing the House, the bill was expected to land in the Senate Commerce and Human Resources Committee, where it was promised a hearing. Instead, it meandered to a different committee and died without a vote.

Senate Pro Tem Brent Hill (R-Rexburg) explained last Wednesday that he rerouted the measure because the Senate Commerce Committee chairman, John Tippetts (R-Bennington), was quietly being considered by Gov. C. L. “Butch” Otter for an appointment to head the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

“I had heard rumors that the governor was considering him as a possibility,” Hill told IdahoReporter.com. “Now that the governor has made his announcement regarding the appointment of Sen. Tippetts, you can see why it would have been unwise to refer the bill to his committee.”

Otter announced that Tippetts will run the DEQ starting July 6. The Republican, from Bennington in eastern Idaho, need only stay on the job for 42 months in order to cash out with a retirement larger than many Idaho families earn in a year. His nearly \$6,000 annual pension will rise to more than \$44,200 per year, thanks to a special carve-out that applies only to state legislators.

I’d bet Hill is sincere in his reasoning to detour a bill that could have direct implications for Tippetts. It’s also worth noting that Republican Sen. Dean Cameron, another member of the Senate Commerce Committee, also recently landed a job at the Department of Insurance.

Still, it all feels just a little icky. This is Otter’s fourth appointment this year of state senators to high-paying state government jobs. And earlier this year, a bill that would have stopped Tippetts and Cameron and other ex-legislators from getting a pension payoff from the executive branch quietly went away, buried in a drawer belonging to the Senate State Affairs chairman, Curt McKenzie, of Nampa.

Hill says he didn’t give any direction to McKenzie to either hear or not hear the bill. For his part, McKenzie told IdahoReporter.com that he believes only a citizens’ commission that sets legislative compensation can affect a change to legislative retirement.

“I just think it should come through that commission,” McKenzie said.

There’s sizeable debate about whether McKenzie’s view is correct. Nonetheless, McKenzie made the bill go away by unilaterally shelving it, when he could have held a hearing and allowed the question some air.

Hill wants the public to view the unfortunate demise of the pension payoff bill this way: Tippetts and Cameron were prevented from being faced with an awkward conflict of interest that they weren’t able to publicly articulate: They were rumored to be in line for state jobs.

But to others, it now looks as though members of the Senate orchestrated the demise of a bill that would have ended the very lucrative taxpayer-supported nest eggs their now-former colleagues will receive.

Both versions probably bear some truth. The latter is just damaging enough of a narrative to really make taxpayers very angry.

— Wayne Hoffman of Nampa is president of the Idaho Freedom Foundation, which on the IFF website is described as a non-partisan educational research institute and government watchdog.



Commentary

Financial management  
Frugal couple should make plan for their money

Dear Dave,  
My wife and I are in our 20s. We have no debt and \$50,000 in the bank. Our income is \$90,000 a year, and we're cautious to live on less than we make. Still, we can't seem to get motivated to make a budget. How can we get inspired to do this?  
— Isaac

Dear Isaac,  
Two of the biggest motivators we have are pain and pleasure. Financially, you guys don't have any pain. You're killing it! So, we're going to have to figure out something associated with pleasure.  
I think you need to look for something bigger than money to push you. You guys need to ask yourselves, "What are we saving for?" On a bigger scale,

ask yourselves, "What can we do with this money?"  
It sounds to me like you both realize money can't be the goal. And that's a good thing. You guys are obviously smart, gifted people. I'm sure you have ideas and goals, dreams and desires. Talk about them and write them down. By doing this, you'll be taking the first steps toward making these things reality. When you have something specific that you want money to do, it gives you a reason to make it behave.  
God calls us to manage well the resources He gives us, so that we're able to do good things for His kingdom and His people. Broke people can't give, so my advice would be to use your talents and resources for the good of others.  
— Dave



DAVE Says  
by Dave Ramsey • www.davesays.org

Dear Dave,  
My husband and I work and live in an RV. The vehicle is paid for, and I'd like to upgrade to a larger one, but that would mean taking out a \$30,000 loan. We have \$30,000 in

savings, including our emergency fund, and we make \$55,000 a year. What are your thoughts?  
— Renee

Dear Renee,  
I think what you're doing with your lives is kind of cool. But I can't advise financing something that will go down in value as quickly as an RV. I wouldn't even do it on the basis that it's going to be your primary residence.  
Let's look at things from a different angle. First of all, I think your emergency fund is a little high. I recommend three to six months of expenses, and on a household income of \$55,000, holding \$20,000 in reserve would be a lot. If you kept \$15,000 in the bank, that would leave you with \$15,000. If you're talking about a \$30,000 upgrade, you'd only need

to save up another \$15,000.  
See where I'm going with this? With a little patience and planning, you can have your upgrade in the not-too-distant future and still have the peace of mind that goes with knowing you have a reasonable emergency fund sitting in the bank!  
— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He has authored five New York Times best-selling books. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8.5 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations. Dave's latest project, EveryDollar, provides a free online budget tool. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Americans for Limited Government  
Fair housing rule threatens local zoning autonomy

by Robert Romano

"This is not about changing zoning laws, planning laws — anything like that."  
That was Department of Housing and Urban Development Secretary Julian Castro before the House Financial Services Committee under questioning by Rep. Mia Love (R-Utah) assuring members that an imminent rulemaking, "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing," will not interfere with local zoning decisions.  
Yet, that is precisely what the rule does, according to the Federal Register, directing program participants including municipalities "to examine relevant factors, such as zoning and other land-use practices that are likely contributors to fair housing concerns, and take appropriate actions in response."  
That would include changing zoning practices thought to be contributing to segregation.  
The rule does so by conditioning eligibility for community development block grants upon compliance with the rule — which on its face will require redrawing zoning maps to achieve racial and income integration when a municipality is not in compliance. In 2012, HUD

dispersed about \$3.8 billion of these grants to almost 1,200 municipalities.  
HUD has also proposed the "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Assessment Tool" "for use by each program participant to evaluate fair housing choice in its jurisdiction, to identify barriers to fair housing choice at the local and regional levels, and to set and prioritize fair housing goals to overcome such barriers and advance fair housing choice."  
In preparation for implementing the regulation, HUD has released template racial rezoning maps and data tables to be used in each community development block grant recipient area.  
The tool's worksheet orders the assessing bureaucrat using the maps and data to "identify neighborhoods or areas in the jurisdiction and region where racial/ethnic groups are segregated and indicate the predominant groups for each."  
Additionally, the bureaucrat must identify the extent the following factors "contribut[e] to segregated housing patterns" including "Land use and zoning laws, such as minimum lot sizes, limits on multi-unit properties, height

limits, or bedroom-number limits as well as requirements for special use permits; Occupancy restrictions; Residential real estate steering; Patterns of community opposition; Economic pressures, such as increased rents or land and development costs; Major private investments; Municipal or State services and amenities; and Foreclosure patterns."  
Julian Castro simply did not tell the truth about how "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing" will impact local zoning decisions.  
All of which vindicates the House of Representatives' June 9 229-193 vote in favor of an amendment to the Transportation and HUD appropriations bill by Rep. Paul Gosar (R-Ariz.) defunding implementation of the rule.  
The legislation now moves to the Senate, where last year Sen. Mike Lee (R-Utah) offered the same amendment.  
In the meantime, for those communities considering taking community development block grants this year — Julian Castro's testimony to the contrary notwithstanding — just know that that federal money comes with an eraser aimed directly at your community's zoning plans.  
— Robert Romano is the senior editor of Americans for Limited Government.

✓ Coffee: Group still going strong

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Great conversation, some laughs and inexpensive coffee is a hard deal to beat.  
But the group is about more than coffee and conversation. It's about camaraderie, too.  
The ladies put together a Christmas party each year, and there's a monthly birthday bash.  
The ladies chip in \$2 each month, and the kitty is used to cover the Christmas potluck.  
Sandy Sarceda usually cooks a ham or turkey for that holiday feast, Pollock said.  
The shindig — which had its beginnings in a 2001 bash that attracted 35 people to Jan Benton's home — also includes a white elephant gift exchange.

Pollock said nowadays a raffle is held to help fund the fruit plate for the monthly birthday party and to buy stamps and cards to send well wishes to group members.  
The original members included Judy Tolmie, Mitchie Kubosumi, Donna Haylett, Ethel Cegnar, Shirley Kushlan and Benton, but the membership has expanded through the years.  
"I have enjoyed the years and all the friends that have been made over time," Pollock said.  
And that time will go on, in spite of what some people may have thought in the beginning.  
"We were told that the group wouldn't last over six months," Pollock said. "I think that has been proved wrong, don't you?"



Billie Lewis, left, cracks up as June Pollock finishes one of her jokes. Other ladies next to Lewis enjoying the moment are, from left, Barbara Hicks, Linda Mays, Leora Zanks and Robin Henry.



# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

June 27, 1990

**GV “Outback Days” this weekend**

Having celebrated their own community centennial two years ago, the people of the Grand View area are planning another wing-ding this weekend, June 30 and July 1, to celebrate Idaho’s 100 years of statehood.

The two-day celebration will kick off with a 10 a.m. parade on Saturday, June 30 according to Jann Anderson, centennial chairperson for the sponsoring Grand View Lions Club. At noon, all food, balloon and souvenir booths will open. The members of the Knight Community Church will serve a turkey pie dinner. Senior citizens will serve coffee, punch and dessert.

A quilt show is planned at the Grand View Library, and an art show will be staged in the new building at Grand View Elementary School. At 1 p.m., there will be a security dog show at Lions Park provided by handlers at Mountain Home Air Force Base.

The security dog demonstration will be followed by a coed softball tourney. Other amusements will include a dunk tank, provided by Farm Bureau Insurance, and a “go ducky race” scheduled at 3 p.m. at the canal.

**Four youths attend resources workshop**

Four local youth were sent by the Owyhee Soil Conservation District membership to the Natural Resources Centennial Workshop conducted for selected junior high students near Ketchum from June 11-16.

The four were: Jake Bingham of Central Cove, and Chad Christiansen, Michael A. Escobedo and John R. Miklancic, all of Homedale. Bingham is the son of C. Harold and Laurie Bingham. Christiansen’s parents are Clark and Debbie Hansen, Escobedo’s mother is Mrs. Olga Ortiz. Miklancic’s parents are Jim and Linda Miklancic.

The weeklong workshop was conducted at the Central Idaho 4-H Camp near Sun Valley. It focused on studies of wildlife, rangeland, soil, forests, water, natural resources, citizenship and leadership. It included extra-curricular activities like hiking, rappelling, fishing, volleyball and fireside sing-a-longs.

**OCHS to host Joyce Ranch celebration**

Members of the Owyhee County Historical Society plan a visit to the Joyce Livestock Co. at Sinker Creek on Sunday, and will leave for the site from the county museum in Murphy at 10 a.m. The public is invited to join the tour, which will include a potluck lunch, with each family providing its own picnic fare.

The ranch was started by Matthew and Mary Joyce in 1865, and its owners are celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> year of continued operation this year by later generations of the same family. The ranch is owned by Paul and Pat Nettleton.

OCHS members expect to tour the old buildings and corrals, OCHS President Bill Detweiler said. It’s expected some longtime buckaroos at the ranch will tell of their experiences.

**Babe Ruth team wins championship**

Marsing faced Vallivue Red Saturday afternoon at Kuna for the Babe Ruth League Championship game. Marsing took control of the game in the first two innings with a commanding 10-1 lead. Tough pitching by Robert Valdez and Mark Gibson, along with consistent hitting by all team members, led to a decisive 5<sup>th</sup> inning victory. Final score was Marsing 15-Vallivue Red 4.

Marsing’s strength was evident throughout tournament play as they defeated Vallivue Blue 22-6 and Wilder 10-0 to earn a berth into the championship game. Marsing coaches, Jeff Percifield and Bodie Clapier, said players selected for the Babe Ruth All-Star team would be announced Monday, June 25.

Vallivue Red was commended for coming from their fifth-seeded position to finish in second place. They played doubleheaders three days in a row to make it to the championship game.

## 50 years ago

June 24, 1965

**Janice Van Derhoff receives degree**

Janice Van Derhoff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Van Derhoff, Homedale, received the degree of bachelor of science in nursing at the University of Oregon School of Nursing commencement exercises June 10 in the auditorium.

Miss Van Derhoff has been invited to train as a Peace Corps volunteer on the Dominican Republic Urban Community Action Project. She will leave today (Thursday, June 24) for two months of training at Baylor University, Waco, Texas. Following a short vacation at home, she continues her training in Puerto Rico for a month and then will go to the Dominican Republic where she will work as a nurse for approximately 21 months.

**Publisher says sales tax violates U.S. Constitution ‘Freedom of Press’**

Idaho’s new sales tax has locked horns with the freedom of the press.

A Camas County publisher says his weekly newspaper will refuse to abide by the sales tax law, which he feels violated the first amendment of the U.S. Constitution guaranteeing freedom of speech and the press.

Orin N. Garrett, publisher and owner of the Camas County Courier, Fairfield said he would refuse to apply for a license or permit from the sate tax office to do business as set forth by the sales tax act, which goes into effect July 1.

In a letter to state tax collector Floyd West, Garrett said that he would comply with the law with respect to commercial printing by his firm, “but I shall not collect sales tax on subscription sales, or occasional over-the-counter sales of the Camas County Courier, a newspaper.”

West said, “The tentative regulations are set up for the sales tax’s administration, but they are subject to challenges ... the regulations are not in effect yet.”

Regulations as they stand provide that the newsboys shall be responsible to collect sales taxes on home deliveries and turn over the taxes to the publisher, who gives it to the state tax collector. Publishers are responsible for collecting the sales tax on mail subscriptions and over-the-counter sales.

**Owyhee County ASCS manager named**

Gene Showalter of Kuna was named manager of the Owyhee County ASCS office at a meeting Tuesday of the County Committee in Marsing.

Mr. Showalter is presently employed by the ASCS in Boise. He replaces Emmett Dent, who resigned recently.

**Etta Maybon to head Lucy Wright Guild**

Mrs. Etta Maybon was elected president of the Lucy Wright Guild of the Friends Community Church when a meeting was held Thursday afternoon at her home. Mrs. Marguerite Matteson was elected vice-president; Mrs. Grace Colley, secretary, and Mrs. Golda Stansell was reelected treasurer. Mrs. Crystell Price was named work chairman. Mrs. Lois Van Derhoff, retiring president, presided.

**Sgt. Kellom on duty in Viet Nam**

T/Sgt. Wesley D. Kellom, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Kellom of Homedale, is now on duty with a unit of the U.S. Pacific Air Forces (PACAF) in Viet Nam.

Sergeant Kellom is a motor vehicle maintenance technician and is helping provide essential support and services for USAF personnel who are training and assisting the Vietnamese in their fight against communist aggression. PACAF is responsible for the training mission and for providing airpower to defend the U.S. and its allies in the Pacific and Far East areas.

A Homedale High School graduate, he attended Northwest Nazarene College, Nampa. His wife, Julia, is the daughter of Mrs. Bessie Cox, retired school teacher, Homedale.

## 140 years ago

June 26, 1875

THIS IS THE SEASON for early-morning walks. We heard recently of an old resident who was in the habit of getting up at dawn and walking forth among the hills in quest of mountain dew. He returned from these walks with a ruddy and rosy complexion, and one morning his spouse determined to follow him. She didn’t have to travel far, as the aforesaid mountain dew had always been procured at an establishment close by.

FARLEY’S SHOW. We did not attend Farley’s Panorama-Concert Show on Saturday evening, but learn from those who did attend that it was the most supremely ridiculous bilk ever witnessed in this camp. They went to Fairview yesterday, and we shouldn’t be surprised to hear of them having a rough time up there. If rotten eggs were cheaper, there would probably be an addition to their programme, not down on the bills.

SILVER MONARCH. The boys are drifting south from the bottom of the shaft in this mine and finding ore very rich in black sulphurets of silver. The Silver Monarch is situated on the east side of Jordan Creek, in close proximity to Silver City.

PRIVATE ENTERPRISE. Mr. K. Davis, who is an excellent carpenter and builder and a very quiet unassuming gentlemen, is the owner of several valuable mining interests in this camp, which he is prospecting quite extensively. He has a 20-foot tunnel in on the Enterprise mine, which is situated up Long Gulch, and is reported to be looking splendidly. He is also at work on the Millionaire ledge, just above the slaughterhouse, north-east of town, where the vein is from two to two-and a-half feet wide, and prospects well in both gold and silver. Mr. Davis also obtains rich prospects from the Perseverance ledge, on Florida Mountain. In addition to the foregoing, other private parties are engaged in prospecting old locations, as well as new discoveries, everywhere throughout our mountains with the most favorable results. Some very rich developments may soon be looked for.

WHILE we usually object to having our correspondents, in making up matter for the Avalanche, write on more than one side of their manuscript paper, this rule, while it would apply in cases of this kind, would not reach all. Where promissory notes are given us, and the parties choose to put on the name of a good endorser, then we have no objection to seeing the paper written on both sides.

LOST BABIES. Dr. Rupert’s little girl Belle, and Mr. C.S. Miller’s little boy “Chick,” each between three and four years of age, wandered off not long since and it was feared some evil had befallen them. For over an hour the agonized parents hunted high and low, without success. At length, however, the two little wanderers were found playing in great glee at the bottom of a prospect hole, into which they had fallen while perambulating about the hillside, west of town. The hole was several feet in depth, but fortunately the little ones had sustained no injury by their fall, and were having a good time all to themselves.

PASSED THROUGH. Hon. E. J. Curtis, Territorial Secretary, passed through here last Saturday evening on his way to San Francisco. He intends to return in the early part of next month, when Governor Bennett will leave on a visit to the Atlantic States.

WE REMARKED a day or two ago that our old bachelor friend, O. H. Purdy, was practicing on the bass viol. He is progressing splendidly, having now mastered the exercises of that complicated piece of music, known as the “Rogue’s March.”

SOME OF THE BUILDINGS in the suburbs of the town are nearly black with the crickets, who have taken external possession.



# Public notices

**CITY OF MARSING  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC  
HEARING**

In accordance with Idaho Code, Title 67, Chapter 65, the Marsing City Council will hear comments from the public regarding the Special Use Permit submitted by Hans Nederend for a housing project proposing the building of 32 units (16 duplexes) on eight (8) acres located adjacent to and west of Edwards Street, described as follows:

A parcel of land located in the Southeast ¼ of Section 33, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, City of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Commencing at a Brass Cap monument marking the South ¼ Corner of Section 33, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian; thence along the South line of the Southwest ¼ of the Southeast ¼ of said Section 33, North 89° 59' 36" East a distance of 955.00 feet; thence leaving said South line North 00° 00' 00" East a distance of 33.00 feet to a ½ inch diameter rebar on the North right-of-way of Main Street (HWY 55); thence continuing North 00° 00' 00" East a distance of 200.00 feet to a 5/8 inch diameter rebar marking the **POINT OF BEGINNING**;

Thence continuing North 00° 00' 33" East a distance of 694.61 feet to a point (from which a 5/8 inch diameter rebar Witness Corner bears South 00° 00' 00" West a distance of 60.00 feet); thence North 85° 50' 30" East a distance of 483.89 feet to a point (from which a ½ inch diameter rebar Witness Corner bears South 00° 00' 33" East a distance of 14.00 feet); thence South 00° 00' 33" East a distance of 744.66 feet to a 5/8 inch diameter rebar; thence North 88° 13' 27" West a distance of 482.97 feet to the **POINT OF BEGINNING**.

The Public Hearing will be held at 7:00 P.M. on July 8, 2015, at the American Legion Hall at 126 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N., Marsing, ID., a facility that is accessible to the persons with disabilities. Comments regarding the development of said property will be taken at the public hearing or may be submitted in writing for consideration. Written comments must be postmarked to the Marsing City Hall, P.O. Box 125, Marsing, ID., 83639, or delivered to the Marsing City Hall. Written comments will be received until 5:00 P.M. on July 8, 2015. Comments may also be read into the record at the public hearing.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015

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**CITY OF GRAND VIEW,  
IDAHO  
ORDINANCE NO. 2015-001  
AN ORDINANCE  
ESTABLISHING THE  
SALARIES FOR THE CITY  
OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO,  
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
MEMBERS, PROVIDING  
AN EFFECTIVE DATE  
TO COMMENCE ON THE  
1ST DAY OF JANUARY,  
2016. REPEALING  
PRIOR CONFLICTING  
ORDINANCES; PROVIDING  
FOR THE SEVERABILITY  
OF THE PROVISIONS OF  
THIS ORDINANCE; AND  
PROVIDING WHEN THIS  
ORDINANCE SHALL  
BECOME EFFECTIVE.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO:

Section 1. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS SALARIES: Commencing January 1, 2016, the salaries of the mayor and of the members of the Grand View City Council shall be as follows:

A. The mayor of the city of Grand View shall receive an annual salary in the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600), paid at the rate of fifty dollars (\$50) per month.

B. Each city council member shall receive an annual salary of six hundred dollars (\$600), paid at the rate of fifty dollars (\$50) per month.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS:

Section 2. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. The provisions of any Ordinance of the City and any provision of the Municipal Code which are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. SEVERABILITY. The sections of this ordinance are severable. The invalidity of a section shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections.

Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE: The rule requiring an ordinance to be read on three separate days, one of which shall be a reading in full, is dispensed with, and this Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage, approval and publication.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO, this 10th day of June, 2015.

Mayor Franklin D. Hart  
Attest: Tammy M. Payne, City Clerk, June 24, 2015

6/24/15

**NOTICE OF  
GUARDIANSHIP  
PETITION AND HEARING  
CASE NO. CV-2015-0569  
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 Guardianship of: ELIJAH MEDLIN, a Minor.

Please take notice that on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 2015, JUDY HYATT and HAROLD HYATT, by and through their attorney of record, Robert P. Tilley, filed a Petition for Guardianship. A copy of the petition is attached. The petition has been set for hearing in the Owyhee County Courthouse located in Murphy, Idaho, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 2015 at 10:45 o'clock a.m.

DATED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2015.

Angela Barkell, Clerk of the District Court

By: Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk

Tilley Law Office, PLLC, 8 Sixth Street North, Ste 103, Nampa, ID Phone 208-461-8100 Fax 208-461-8900, Attorney for Petitioners

6/10,17,24;7/1/15

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
CASE NO CV2015-0000585**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN under *Idaho Code* section 15-3-801 that, in connection with the foregoing case number in the Owyhee County District Court, HOWARDE. COMMONS has been appointed Personal Representative of the probate estate of JOLINDA COMMONS, deceased. All persons having claims against the decedent or

the estate 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 undersigned attorney at number 101 Eagle Glen, Eagle, Idaho 83616 (telephone no. 208-939-2600), and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

Barry Peters, Attorney at Law

6/24;7/1,8/15

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Case No. CV 2015-0559  
(I.C. 15-3-801)  
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 JERRY WARREN KEPNER, JR., Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representatives of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of the Notice to Creditors, or within 60 days after the undersigned mailed or delivered a copy of this Notice to such persons, whichever is later, or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of Court.

DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2015.

Andrea M. Kepner, P.O. Box 2337, Boise, ID 83701

James R. Gillespie, P.A.300 West Myrtle St., Suite 200, P.O. Box 2337, Boise, ID 83701 Phone (208) 344-8400 Fax (208) 344-7100, Attorney for Petitioner

6/10,17,24/15

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S  
SALE**

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: May 28, 2015 File No.: 7233.24789 Sale date and time (local time): September 28, 2015 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 1 Mile North North Canal Road Marsing, ID 83639 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Randy E. Hanson and Heather M. Hanson, Husband and Wife Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company Original beneficiary: Washington Mutual Bank Recording date: 02/18/2003 Recorder's instrument number: 242537 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of May 28, 2015: \$49,059.66 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described

above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: That part of the SW 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 33, Township 3 North, Range 4 West of The Boise Meridian, lying North and East of the Gem Irrigation District "C" Canal. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at [www.northwesttrustee.com](http://www.northwesttrustee.com) or [USA-Foreclosure.com](http://USA-Foreclosure.com). The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7233.24789) 1002.257826-File No.

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S  
SALE**

On October 1, 2015, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock AM of said day, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID, JUST LAW, INC., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

**The North 440.00 feet of the East 639.86 feet of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.**

**EXCEPTING THEREFROM a tract of land lying within the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest**

**Quarter of Section 19, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows:**

**BEGINNING at the Center Quarter of Section 19, T3N, R5W, and bearing South 0° 49' 27" East, 220.00 feet along the East boundary of the said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing South 0° 49' 27" East, 220.00 feet along the East boundary of the said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to a point; thence South 89° 58' 43" West, 200.00 feet along a line parallel to the North Boundary of the said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to a point; thence North 0° 49' 27" West, 220.00 feet along a line parallel to the East boundary of the said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to a point; thence North 89° 58' 43" East, 200.00 feet along a line parallel to the North boundary of the said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter to the POINT OF BEGINNING.**

**(Tax 11 less Tax 5 in Section 19 Township 3 North Range 5 West, 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 Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of **4501 Walker Ln., Homedale, ID**, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

This Trustee's Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist,

this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Irene Walker, an unmarried woman, as Grantor(s) with Golf Savings Bank as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded October 9, 2009, as Instrument No. 269450, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to Champion Mortgage Company, recorded October 3, 2012, as Instrument No. 278921. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to Bank of America, N.A. recorded April 13, 2015, as Instrument No. 286440, in the records of said County.

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 entire sum owing on the obligation as of June 30, 2014 secured by said Deed of Trust is \$259,964.31 as principal, together with late fees, service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect its security interest, and interest accruing pursuant to the terms of the promissory note, together with delinquent taxes until the date of sale.

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

Dated this 28th day of May, 2015.

Tammie Harris, Trust Officer for Just Law, Inc., P.O. Box 50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405 (208) 523-9106 Fax (208) 523-9146

**For information concerning this sale please contact Just Law, Inc. at [www.justlawidaho.com](http://www.justlawidaho.com) or Toll Free at 1-800-923-9106, Thank you.**

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6/24/15



# Public notices

**SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION ON COMPLAINT FOR JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE AND DECLARATORY RELIEF**  
**Case No. CV-15-0437**  
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**  
**OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,**  
**IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE**

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

v.  
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND DEVISEES OF LAUREANO R. VALDEZ; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND DEVISEES OF SANTOS E. VALDEZ; STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE AND DOES 1 THROUGH 20, INCLUSIVE INCLUDING ALL PARTIES WITH AN INTEREST IN PROPERTY commonly known as 116 Patton Street, Marsing, ID 83639 and legally described as:

A part of Government Lot 1 in Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described to wit:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, thence

South 90° East 179.40 feet along the North line of said Section 3; thence

South 0° 00' West 108 feet along the East line of Seventh Avenue West to a brass monument; thence

South 81° 41' East 145.3 feet along the Northerly line of 40 foot Patton Street; thence

South 55° 25' East 163.63 feet along the said Northerly line, to the Initial Point of this description; thence continue

South 55° 25' East 88 feet along the said Northerly line; thence

North 34° 35' East 98.30 feet to a point on the Southerly line of Block 10 of Patton's Second Subdivision to Marsing, Idaho; thence

South 81° 41' East 145.3 feet along the Southerly line; thence

South 34° 35' West 117.30 feet to the Initial Point of this description, Defendants.

T O : D E F E N D A N T S  
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,

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ASSIGNS AND DEVISEES OF LAUREANOR VALDEZ; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND DEVISEES OF SANTOS E. VALDEZ; and DOES 1 through 20, inclusive, Including all Unknown Individuals With An Interest In Real Property commonly known as **116 Patton Street, Marsing, ID 83639** and legally described herein:

You have been sued by Federal National Mortgage Association, the Plaintiff, in the District Court in and for the County of Owyhee, Idaho, Case No. CV-15-0437.

The nature of the claim against you is an action for declaratory relief and judicial foreclosure of the real property currently known as **116 Patton Street, Marsing, ID 83639**

and legally described as:

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South 55° 25' East 88 feet along the said Northerly line; thence

North 34° 35' East 98.30 feet

to a point on the Southerly line of Block 10 of Patton's Second Subdivision to Marsing, Idaho; thence

North 43° 14' West 90.03 feet along the Southerly line; thence

South 34° 35' West 117.30 feet to the Initial Point of this description

Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case Number and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at P.O. Box 128, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, ID 83650, (208) 495-2421, and serve a copy of your response on the Plaintiff's attorney, Elisa S. Magnuson, at PITE DUNCAN, LLP, 950 W Bannock, Ste. 1100, Boise, ID 83702.

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 for legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2015.

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Dorla Stoneman, Deputy

ELISA S. MAGNUSON (ID SBN 8085), PETER J. SALMON (ID SBN 6659), PITE DUNCAN, LLP, 950 W. Bannock St., Ste. 1100, Boise, ID 83702, Phone: (208) 908-0709 Fax: (858) 4122789 Email: [emagnuson@piteduncan.com](mailto:emagnuson@piteduncan.com), Attorneys for Plaintiff  
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mental health care is accessible and affordable to some of the most vulnerable children and adults in the Treasure Valley. The largest of the bike routes, The Century Tour, covers 100 miles and starts at 6:30 a.m. at Nampa High School. Riders take the bridge over the Snake River into Homedale and then pedal on to Idaho Avenue/Idaho highway 19. The route through downtown Homedale leads participants along Idaho 19 into Oregon before they return across the Snake River back to Idaho. Riders will pass through Homedale beginning at 9 a.m., and most should stop at the Terry Reilly Clinic rest stop at 116 E. Idaho Ave. “Our Homedale clinic is where

the rest stop will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.,” Terry Reilly bike tour project manager Matt Oakes said. The Terry Reilly clinic at 201 Main St., in Marsing is the Owyhee County rest stop on the tour’s Metric Century (62-mile) ride. Cyclists can obtain snacks, water and Gatorade at both stops. Bob LeBow was recruited to Terry Reilly in 1972 to be the organization’s first medical director. In July 2002, Bob suffered a catastrophic cycling accident. He died in 2003, the same year his vision for the TRHS Zero Pay Fund became a reality.

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The Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School Good Grades Make Good Sense Award winners from the second semester were, from left, Darcia Shaver, Rigo Lino and Hannah Field. Submitted photo

## Rimrock students cited for good grades

The Rimrock National Honor Society recently honored three Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School students with the second semester Good Grades Make Good Sense Award. In a press release, the honor society said all the recipients exhibited dedication and self discipline in order to participate in multiple sports and activities while maintaining outstanding grades. • **Darcia Shaver, junior** — Participates in TRiO, Honor Society, volleyball, basketball and softball. • **Rigo Lino, sophomore** — Active in Idaho Drug-Free

Youth (IDFY), TRiO, FFA, Future Hispanic Leaders of America, drama, Honor Society and football and basketball. • **Hannah Field, seventh-grader** — Maintained a 4.0 grade-point average the entire year while serving as class president, and participating in 4-H, volleyball and basketball. Students attending Rimrock High School with a GPA of 3.5 or higher are eligible for the Good Grades quarterly drawing and the winners receive \$50. The Honor Society thanks Idaho Power, Integrity Factoring and Scott Bennett Farms for program funding.

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