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## Casting for a fish tale

Harrison Idsinga, 4, of Greenleaf, casts a line in a fishing game as Homedale Public Library youth services coordinator Carol McMichael looks on during camping-themed activity during Story Time on Friday morning. Harrison is the son of Lori and Greg Idsinga.

## Summer partnership keeps children's bellies, minds full

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## Grand View could get new mayor tonight

Hart wanted clerk to relinquish executive powers

A power struggle apparently has been afoot in Grand View.

Franklin Hart, who resigned as the town's mayor on June 28, clarified earlier statements made about his decision to step down after 2½ years in office.

Hart claims that two of the three councilmen elected in November have failed to follow through on campaign promises to restore powers to the mayor that are currently handled by City Clerk and Treasurer Tammy Payne. He didn't identify which of the three elected — John Morrison, Jon Pennington or Mel Freckleton — had made the promises.

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Nicholas Maher's cousins, Ilene Canning, left, and Anita Gluch, stand near the newly engraved headstone at the Jordan Valley Cemetery on Saturday. Submitted photo

## JV's Medal of Honor man finally recognized

An honor earned nearly 150 years ago was officially recognized Saturday with a Jordan Valley Cemetery ceremony five years in the making.

Descendants of Congressional Medal of Honor recipient Nicho-

las Maher and a detail from the Ontario Veterans of Foreign Wars chapter attended an event rededicating an updated gravestone for the man who died near Bruneau

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The superstructure of a new building has risen behind the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy. It signals the start of a 10-year expansion project.

## County museum expansion taking shape in Murphy

The steel skeleton is now in place, signaling the next big step in the Owyhee County Historical Museum’s expansion project in Murphy.

The concrete foundation for the addition was completed in the first week of June, and the framework for the structure is nearly finished. The building is located behind the current museum complex to the northwest.

R&M Steel of Caldwell donated the 6,000-square-foot (60x100) steel building.

Museum director Amy Johnson thinks exterior walls will be up on the building by late summer or early fall.

So far, about \$20,200 has been raised to erect the new building. The OCHS board of directors will need to gather another \$55,300 to complete the expansion effort.

Stone tiles are now on sale inside the museum to raise funds for the project. Prices are \$100 for a 6-by-6-inch tile and \$1,000 for an 18-by-18-inch tile. The tiles can be personalized with a name, logo, or brand.

Call the museum at (208) 495-2319 for more information on obtaining a tile.

Johnson estimates that it will take about 10 years to finish the entire project.

## Homedale municipal irrigation rates could be on the rise soon

### Council to contemplate increase, library plans tonight

Now that the city’s irrigation fund has been righted, the Homedale City Council will consider a move to keep the fund in the black going forward.

Council members will talk about instituting an annual three percent rate increase during tonight’s first meeting of the month.

The meeting begins at 6 p.m. inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

City residents pay the city \$89.70 (two semi-annual payments of \$44.85) for the maintenance portion of the irrigation bill. South Board of Control sets a usage fee, which isn’t controlled by the city.

If the proposed rate hike is approved, residents would pay a city maintenance fee of \$92.39, or an increase of \$2.69 annually or about \$1.34 per bill.

Thereafter, the irrigation bill would increase three percent every year.

The idea behind establishing an annual rate hike grew out of city auditor Mike Parker’s annual reports that the city’s irrigation fund has been essentially operating in a deficit for years.

The city council voted to move general fund money into the account to shore up the numbers. The second phase of the stabilization plan is the regular rate increase.

In other business tonight, the council is scheduled to revisit the Homedale Public Library expansion plan and discuss whether to sign off on pursuing an

Idaho Department of Commerce Community Block Development Grant to help pay for part of the construction.

The council tabled a decision on the grant and on supporting the library board’s decision to retain an architect during the June 23 meeting.

At that time, Western Alliance for Economic Development executive director Tina Wilson told the council that she could write the \$350,000 block grant for a seven percent fee (about \$24,500). She also mentioned that a \$60,000 U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Community Facilities Grant would be pursued.

The library board is working on five-year strategic plan to avoid the matching fund requirement for the federal grant, and that plan also could be part of the discussion tonight.

During their June meeting, library board members decided to recommend Boise architect Tad Jones to the council as the man who would lead the expansion design.

Jones has placed an estimated construction cost of between \$415,000 to \$660,000, but Wilson said the library directors will forego parking lot construction and landscaping to keep the cost down.

The plan is to enlist city resources for the parking lot development and solicit donations to get the landscaping done.

Homedale resident Chris Landa also is scheduled to make his yearly visit to brief the council on preparations for the eighth annual Conner Landa Coed Softball Tournament, which takes place Friday through Sunday at Sundance Park.

— JPB

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# Conner Landa memorial softball tourney field expands

## Annual coed competition returns to Sundance on Friday

Organizers of the eighth annual Conner Landa Memorial Coed Softball Tournament are ready for this year's showdown.

The tournament runs Friday through Sunday on all five fields of Homedale's Sundance Park.

Sixty-eight teams will battle in four divisions, including seven in the A Division, nine teams in B Division, 37 squads in the C Division and 15 D Division teams. Teams are guaranteed to play three games each.

The tournament will begin at 5 p.m. on Friday and go until midnight. It will run from 7 a.m. until midnight on Saturday, and again on Sunday, from 7 a.m. until about 4 p.m.

Tournament coordinator Courtney Dunn said there will be about one game every hour on each field.

"They're usually like 55 minutes or so," Dunn said. "Last year, I think it was 45 or 50 minutes a game because there were so many teams. We have five more teams than last year. We have 68 this year."

A home run derby will be held after the last game Saturday night. There will be a DJ playing music during the tournament throughout the weekend.

The deadline to register for the tournament has already passed, but the

cost this year was \$275 per team.

The tournament raises money for college scholarships and improvements at Sundance Park. The fundraiser is named after Conner Landa, who died in a car accident in April 2009.

Dunn stated that nothing has changed for this year's tournament, including a rule that is often ignored.

"No dogs as usual, but people don't really listen to that," Dunn said. "I think everything is pretty much the same as last year."

During last year's tournament, 50 volunteers did all sorts of chores from raking and watering the infields in between games to selling concessions.

Dunn did not have an estimate on how many folks have signed up to volunteer

their time this year.

For the first five years, the event was called the Conner Landa-Daniel Miller tournament. In 2014, Benita Miller decided that the Miller family would no longer be involved with the fundraiser. Daniel Miller, a Homedale High School graduate, and HHS freshman Conner Landa died three days apart on the same weekend in 2009.

The director of the tournament is 1991 HHS graduate Chris Hoshaw, who is a cousin to the tournament's namesake.

All Around Sports won the A Division championship last year with Sicc Wit Itt taking B Division honors, Brewers capturing the C Division and Young & Reckless grabbing the D Division crown.

— SC

## Driver of stuck truck arrested for DUI

A man looking for help to free his stranded vehicle has been arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence.

Logan Jarvis, 21, of Boise was arrested after 3 a.m. on July 4 near Dunlap Road.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Sgt. Gary Olsen said a deputy found Jarvis sitting in his vehicle after responding to a report of a man knocking at a local residence looking for help after he high-centered his vehicle.

"It looks like he was trying to turn around on the road and got stuck in the borrow pit," Olsen said.

Jarvis, who attended Marsing High School, was driving a gold Chevrolet Silverado two-wheel-drive pickup.

He was arrested and charged with DUI after registering .152 and .150 in blood-alcohol content analysis.

No court dates were listed for Jarvis at press time.

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# Marsing council mulls way to find dog owners

Dog owners in Marsing might soon have an easier time getting their pet back if it wanders off.

Tonight mayor James Ferdinand will ask the council to approve spending \$300 to purchase a microchip reader to find where dogs running loose live.

City Clerk Janice Bicandi explained that city maintenance workers would have access to the reader.

“We’ve had some dogs that had chips in them,” Bicandi said. “If they do have them, that way we can take them back to the owner.”

City maintenance supervisor Phillip Gibson stated that when city staff can’t locate where a dog lives, the animal is taken to a small kennel facility near the sewer lagoons at the end of 1<sup>st</sup> Street North.

The City Council meeting will take place at 7 p.m. today inside City Hall, 425 Main St.

In other business tonight, the council is slated to consider renewal of a copier lease through Allied Business Solutions of Boise.

A representative from Corporate Technologies of Boise will also present a proposal to provide information technology services for the city. Marsing currently has a contract with Valli Information Services of Caldwell for IT needs.

Maintenance supervisor Phillip Gibson will also give an update on work being done around town such as trimming trees and filling potholes.

— SC



Owyhee Sewer and Pump founder Dale Dickson hands the keys to the business over to Ric Uria after selling the 40-year-old service to the Uria Pump owner last Wednesday in Homedale. Uria Pump employees include, from left, Jeremy Ensley, Terry Deweese, Larry Laub and Eric Favinger.

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## Owyhee Sewer and Pump changes hands

After 40 years, Dale Dickson has handed over the keys to his Owyhee Sewer and Pump business.

But the new owner isn’t a stranger to Dickson or the Homedale business that he and his wife Paula have owned since 1977.

Ric Uria, who has owned Uria Pump since 1981, has purchased Dickson’s trucks and equipment. The pair used to work at B&Z Plumbing before Dickson bought that company’s equipment in 1977 and started Owyhee Sewer and Pump.

“We’ve worked together the last few years anyway,” Uria said as he accepted the keys to the business from Dickson last Wednesday.

“We hope to give everybody the same service that Dale has given them.”

Uria said he will keep Owyhee Sewer as part of the consolidated business name. The phone number (208) 337-4549 also will be retained for Owyhee Sewer.

The company’s existing domestic well service will be handled under the Uria Pump banner, while septic maintenance and repair will be the purview of Owyhee Sewer and Pump, Uria said.

“We appreciate the support we’ve had over the last 40 years in the community,” Dickson said.

— JPB

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# Man hurt at derby doesn’t want action to cease

## Recuperating Barnard devising safety upgrades for next year

Wes Barnard thought his end was at hand, but now he’s ready to ensure fans haven’t seen the last Homedale Lions Fourth of July Demolition Derby.

The veteran emergency medical responder and racer of everything from sprint boats to drag trucks escaped serious injury when a car jumped logs and crashed into the lightly protected family and pit crew viewing area at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds rodeo arena on July 4.

Barnard was on hand to watch his daughter, Danyel, make her derby debut, and he knew something bad was about to happen when he saw Konner Bahem’s Cadillac barreling across the dirt at the start of the consolation heat.

Bahem had Danyel in his sights.

“Right at the last second, she saw him coming out of the corner of her eye,” Barnard said.

Bahem was able to make slight contact with Danyel’s car, but he was still coming at full speed (Barnard figures about 30 mph) when he was within 30 feet of the log barrier.

“The tires hit the logs and popped the car up in the air,” Barnard said. “The only saving grace was he did get her a little bit, and that slowed him down.”

Bahem checked on Barnard soon after the accident.

“He apologized, and I said, ‘Dude, it wasn’t your fault. It’s part of racing, and you were doing what you were supposed to be doing,’” Barnard said.

“There’s no fault on Konner’s part whatsoever. Not one bit.”

Barnard was sitting on the second tier of seats behind a livestock panel. He was flanked by Austin Ferguson and Trey Corta.

“I pushed Austin to get him moving, and I tried to go left,” Barnard said. “The panel came down on top of me, and then I saw the bumper coming at me, and thought, ‘This is it.’”

The car struck Barnard in the chest and crushed him against the bleachers. The bumper came to rest on his legs, hyper-extending his left knee (the same leg he broke in a horse accident 10 years ago).

“My stepson Cody (Oakley), Austin and Trey went to town trying to get the car to move,” Barnard said. “Everybody was in shock, and they’re yelling ‘Move the car.’

“I can’t breathe, so I start bench-pressing and got my chest loose so I could

breathe.”

The car also struck Barnard in the abdomen, so he was worried about internal injuries.

“My thought was I was going to bleed out before I get to the hospital,” Barnard said. “I was honestly pretty scared at that point because of dealing with people who have been in that situation.”

He resisted emergency medical technicians’ efforts to stabilize his spine because of worry over internal injuries and the loss of precious time.

As it turned out, the internal injuries were limited to bruising. His kidney was bruised when Barnard was thrown against the bleachers.

He also has one broken rib and the transverse process were broken in five of his vertebrae.

“I’m bruised front to back. The bumper got me in the front, and the bleachers got me in the back,” he said.

In the days after the derby, Barnard has been recuperating at home, and thinking of ways to improve safety at the arena. Maybe concrete barriers, which he has heard is a Lions Club idea, or two rings of logs around the arena.

He’s good friends with Rob Townsend, and he plans to huddle with the former Lions Club president and other Lions to figure

out a way to make that part of the arena as safe as the rest of the bleachers.

Townsend and his son, Jeremy, showed up at Barnard’s door the day after the derby with the consolation heat trophy. It wasn’t all a gag; the consolation heat prize pool of \$2,000 was given to Barnard for his medical bills.

“I’ve had people come out of the wood-work bringing food and gifts and cards and calls and messages,” Barnard said.

Barnard is adamant that the derby shouldn’t end. Besides, he has some unfinished business.

“The reason I was there was that my daughter was racing, and it was her rookie year,” Barnard said, his voice beginning to waver because of emotion.

“I was proud of her, and she did so awesome, and I wanted to see her finish it.”

So, he plans on fighting any notion that the derby should end after 35 years.

“There is no reason to quit something because of an accident. They just have to make a better mousetrap out of it,” he said.

“To try to say the derby is over because of this, I don’t see that one bit.

“And, honestly, my daughter will be in it next year. We plan on coming back, and there are a couple of scores she wants to settle.”

— JPB

# No reports of West Nile Virus in Owyhee County yet

West Nile Virus hasn’t visited Owyhee County yet this year, although mosquitoes trapped elsewhere in the Treasure Valley are carrying the virus.

“We have limited traps set in Homedale and Bruneau,” Southwest District Health public information officer Laurie Boston said. “(There are) no positive pools yet.”

West Nile-positive mosquitoes

have been found in Canyon County traps near Lake Lowell and in Middleton and also in Payette and Gem counties. Officials are taking precautions such as aerial spraying in parts of the valley north of the Snake River.

“In Gem County, mosquito activity was about three weeks earlier than usual because of the warmer spring,” Boston said.

“I was afraid we might have

an early West Nile season as well, but fortunately that has not happened.”

West Nile can be transmitted to humans, horses and other animals by infected mosquitoes after the insects have bitten birds, which are the primary hosts for the virus.

Human symptoms of West Nile begin within two weeks of the insect bit and include a low-grade

fever, muscle and joint aches, fatigue and headaches.

Most people bitten by infected mosquitoes experience either no symptoms or a brief period of mild flu-like symptoms.

Protection against the virus includes diligent maintenance around your property and clothing to deter mosquito interaction:

- Using repellent
- Draining standing water

sources to cut down on breeding areas

- Ensuring door and window screens are in good shape and fit snugly
- Avoid outside activity in the dawn and dusk hours, which are when mosquitoes are most active
- If you have to be outdoors when the insects are present, wear long sleeves and pants

## From page 1

## ✓ Mayor: Council gave city clerk schedule oversight to ensure efficiency

Payne was given some of the mayor’s duties by an August 2013 city council vote.

It’s possible the power transfer approached the establishment of a city council-city manager form of government, which is allowed under state law only after a formal vote by citizens. No such election has taken place in Grand View.

Meanwhile, Morrison — who as council president has assumed mayoral duties temporarily — says he plans to push for the appointment of a new mayor at tonight’s regular city council meeting.

“My goal is to fill the position (tonight),” Morrison said.

The meeting starts at 6 p.m. inside City Hall, 425 Boise Ave.

The first-term councilman didn’t reveal if he had anyone in mind, but made clear that he won’t

be the next mayor.

“I would want it to be somebody other than me only for the simple fact that I’m pretty busy six months out of the year,” the first-term councilman and irrigation company ditch rider said.

“Six months I’d be a fine mayor, and six months I wouldn’t, and I don’t want that.”

The next mayor apparently won’t have to worry about taking phone calls from citizens on day-to-day concerns about street potholes and water or sewer service.

In August 2013, just three weeks after Opal Ward was appointed to succeed Payne as mayor, the council unanimously agreed to give daily public works oversight duties to the city clerk, the position Payne assumed after her resignation. Payne was

also put in charge of special projects, such as the Riverside Park development.

Linda Araujo, then a city council member sitting in on her first meeting, said the move was made to ensure that response time to city service issues was more efficient. With Payne at City Hall, folks would get immediate service rather than taking a chance that the mayor wouldn’t be able to address the concern right away.

The changes were made under the city clerk job duties itemized in the city employee policy manual.

Hart apparently wanted those duties restored to his office.

“When the new council was installed (in January), they ran on the idea that they were going to give the mayor back the mayor’s position, so I could manage the

town,” Hart said.

Hart, who beat Ward as a write-in the November 2013 election, said that he has had difficulty with Payne every time he has tried to do something that he thought the mayor should do.

“The infrastructure of the City of Grand View needs some work done to it,” Hart said. “There are roads and sewer lagoon (work) that has to be done within a certain period of time, and it appears that all (Payne) wants to do is beautification.”

Payne has spearheaded development of Riverside Park, and the city council has had sewer lagoon issues on its agenda for months.

Under state law, a city government with someone other than the mayor supervising the business of a city or holding any

powers that are vested in the mayor is a council-manager plan of government.

In order for a city to legally switch to that form of government, a special election must be held. The election can be called for through a citizens’ petition or a majority vote from the city council.

The Owyhee Avalanche has filed a public records request to obtain copies of the city employee manual as well as council meeting minutes from January and February of 2014, but Grand View City Hall was closed last week with Payne out on vacation and unavailable for comment. City Hall opened again on Monday after the Avalanche’s deadline.

— JPB

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# Summer menu

## Marsing summer feeding

Free for ages 1-18; on-site meals only  
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11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. — Marsing Housing Authority  
11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. — Marsing City Park  
1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. — Homedale city pool

Milk served every day

- July 13: PB&J sandwich, yogurt, pineapple chunk cup, broccoli w/ ranch
- July 14: Chicken sandwich, pear cup, apple juice
- July 15: Turkey/cheese sandwich, peach cup, carrot sticks w/ranch
- July 18: PB&J wafer, cheese stick, ranch chickpeas, apple juice
- July 19: Ham/cheese sandwich, applesauce cup, celery sticks w/ ranch
- July 20: Hot dog, orange wedge, apple juice
- July 21: Pizza stuffwich, raisels, broccoli w/ranch
- July 22: Turkey/cheese sandwich, pineapple cup, carrots sticks w/ ranch
- July 25: Ham/cheese sandwich, peach cup, orange juice
- July 26: Chicken nuggets, pear cup, celery stick w/ranch
- July 27: Chicken bacon ranch stuffwich, broccoli w/ranch, apple sticks
- July 28: Turkey/cheese sandwich, applesauce cup, carrot sticks w/ ranch
- July 29: PB&J sandwich, yogurt, pineapple chunk cup, cucumbers w/ranch

# Senior menus

## Homedale Senior Center

Milk served every day  
Salad Bar available with each meal (lettuce, tomatoes, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing)  
July 13: Taco salad w/salsa, cheese & chips  
July 14: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes w/gravy, spinach, roll  
July 19: Salisbury steak w/onions & mushrooms, mashed potatoes w/gravy, peas & carrots, bread  
July 20: Tuna salad, lettuce & tomato, beet salad, bread  
July 21: Roast pork, mashed potatoes w/gravy, spinach, roll  
July 26: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, string beans, bread  
July 27: Ham/cheese on roll, pasta salad, carrot salad  
July 28: Roast beef, mashed potatoes w/gravy, California blend veggies, bread

## Marsing Senior Center

Vegetables served every day  
July 13: Chicken, rice  
July 14: Pork, potatoes  
July 18: Pork, potatoes  
July 19: Fish & chef’s choice, baked potato  
July 20: Beef, potatoes  
July 21: Chicken, potatoes  
July 25: Beef patty, potatoes  
July 26: Pork chops, scalloped potatoes  
July 27: Meatloaf, potatoes  
July 28: Polish sausage, potatoes

## Rimrock Senior Center

Juice served every day  
July 14: Fish, macaroni & cheese, fresh veggie tray, coleslaw, strawberries  
July 19: Shake & bake pork chops, cheesy fries, corn & lima beans, applesauce, spice cake  
July 21: Swiss steak, baked potato, peas & carrots, roll, watermelon, brownies  
July 26: BBQ pork ribs, baked beans, fresh veggie tray, yogurt corn bread muffin, seasonal fruit tray

# Obituaries

## Wanda May Bicandi



Wanda May Bicandi, a 60-year resident of Solvang, Calif., passed away peacefully on June 8, 2016 at the Solvang Friendship House. She was 96. Wanda was born on May 4, 1920 in Fallon, Nevada to Ina Bell (McGhan) Howell and George Howell.

Wanda came from a pioneer family. Her mother traveled in a wagon train from Mitchell, South Dakota to Cody, Wyoming. In Cody, her mother and grandmother worked for Bill Cody as seamstresses. Her uncle, William (Billy) Howell, owned and operated one of the first dude ranches, which is still in operation as the Cross Sabers Ranch.

When Wanda was 7 years old she contracted polio. For therapy it was suggested that she take up music. Her father chose the violin, which she played her entire life. She loved classical music and was a member of the Solvang Orchestra for years. At the age of 9, her family moved to Homedale, Idaho, where she lived until 1950. Her parents purchased a home, which was across the street from a large Basque family, the Bicandi’s. She fell in love and married Tony Bicandi in 1941. During the war years she worked for Harley Martin’s drug store in Homedale while Tony served in the Pacific.

Wanda had many stories about growing up in Homedale. All the fun she had with her friends rowing their boats on the Snake River, going over to the island for picnics, swimming and fishing. She and her brother Riley rode Indian motorcycles and were both charter members of the local motorcycle club. She made many lifelong friends during

those years.

When Tony returned from his service with the Army, they moved to California and eventually settled in Solvang. In 1961, she went to work helping Leon Roeser set up his new store, Roeser’s Pharmacy. She worked for Leon and his family until the store closed.

Wanda loved animals. Her yard was full of bird feeders, and she always had a cat in her lap. Her cat now resides with Antoinette, and her bird is a resident of the Solvang Friendship House.

She was always learning something new, from photography classes to learning to upholster furniture. She even learned to downhill ski when she was 62. She took many educational trips with Elder Hostel groups. She loved to sew and was an avid reader. Over the years she had many opportunities to travel. Trips to Germany, Spain, Switzerland, Denmark, Poland, Romania and several trips to Hawaii. With her cousin Bama McGhan she

spent a month in Alaska and they continued their travels, going on cross-country trips in the U.S. Her suitcase was always packed ready for a new adventure.

Wanda is survived by her daughter Antoinette (Jack) Coble, of Solvang. Grandchildren, Anette (Devon) Spickard of Eugene, Oregon, Stephen (Jenneane) of Middleton, Idaho, Jennifer (Scott) Miller of West Linn, Oregon. Great-granddaughters, Heather of Huntington Beach, Calif., Ashleigh of San Diego, Madilyn and Kimberly of Middleton, Idaho. Kyli and Peyton Miller of West Linn, Oregon. Her sisters-in-law, Josie Johnson of Homedale, Idaho, Gayanne Bicandi of Vancouver, Washington and many nieces and nephews. Her dear friends, Willie Mueller, Margaret James, Margaret Skeen, Ingrid Jacobsen, Brother Joe and the many friends she worked with at Roeser’s.

She was preceded in death by Tony Bicandi and her brother Riley Howell.

Wanda’s family would like to thank the staff of the Solvang Friendship House for all their loving and compassionate care that our mother and grandmother received, and especially Jennifer Howell for her above and beyond kindness. We are very grateful to the hospice nurses and staff not only for the physical care, but the mental and spiritual care.

Services will be held at the Ballard Chapel on July 29, 2016 at 10:30, internment to follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Wanda would be pleased if donations were made to the Santa Ynez Valley Humane Society.

## Walter Junior Willhite

“Willie” or “Mr. Highway,” so named by his neighborhood kids.

Willie, age 89, passed away at his home, July 7, 2016, Homedale, Idaho.

Willie was born November 26, 1926, Bloomdale, Indiana to Walter L. and Mattie Alice (Knee) Willhite.

He married Christy Stanford on October 27, 1951 in Boise, Idaho.

Willie served his country in three wars, WWII, Korea and Vietnam. He and Christy spent

time stationed all over the country. When he retired from the service, they came home to Homedale. Willie and Christy farmed and worked in the area, close to family. In later years, they sold the farm and moved into Homedale, Idaho. Uncle Willie was always game to play baseball or horseshoes with nieces and nephews...and you had better be on your toes! Could count on him for a kind word when you really needed to hear one.

Willie was preceded in death by Christy, his parents, brothers,

Richard, Floyd, Robert, and sisters, Mildred, Pat, Gladys, Jane, and Sarah.

Willie is survived by sisters-in-law, many nephews and nieces, “including great & great great,” and his dear neighbors.

Funeral services will be held July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 p.m., at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, 27 E. Owyhee Avenue, Homedale, Idaho.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Homedale Senior Citizens c/o Shirley McAbee, 420 W. Owyhee Avenue, Homedale, Idaho 83628

## Homedale Art in the Park vendors sought

Spots are still available for the second annual Art in the Park scheduled next week at Bette Uda City Park in Homedale.

Booths will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 23.

Susan Mansisor and Deborah Sanders are organizing the

event this year, taking over from founder Charlotte Breshears.

A Facebook page has been created, and vendors of all sorts are being sought. Space is limited, and more information can be obtained by emailing homedaleartinthepark@gmail.com. A link to

a vendor application as well as more information on the event can be found at [www.facebook.com/HomedaleArtinthePark](http://www.facebook.com/HomedaleArtinthePark).

Mansisor plans craft vendors, entertainment, specialty vendors, face painting, activities and food.

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# Sun’s up, be aware of skin changes

With the sun out, you may be trying to catch some of those great rays, but you may be forgetting a key piece of the equation – sunblock. Not only do you need to worry about sunburns during this warmer time, but you also need to keep an eye on other items found on the surface of your skin. Do you have moles, and are you checking them regularly?



Surine Greenway

According to the Mayo Clinic, most adults have between 10 and 40 moles on their body. A mole is defined by small clusters of pigment-producing skin cells. Some people, especially those with a lighter-colored skin, can have many more. The reason why it is important to keep an eye on these moles is because over time they can change. While sometimes only their appearance

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changes – size and/or color, there are also times when they turn into a melanoma. A melanoma is the most potentially deadly type of skin cancer.

Most individuals do not practice examining moles regularly, and even neglect to ask a partner or physician to do so for them. While some adults have a dermatologist that they see on a regular basis (at least once a year for a physical examination and check of any skin tags or moles), the majority do not and are not requesting that their general physician perform the examination for them. While not all physicians will be fully qualified to properly identify any issues, they would be a place to start at your next visit and may even be able to refer you to a quality dermatologist.

With the increase in the ability to use technology, there are a number of apps that claim that they can assess your risk for skin cancer and help monitor moles for

worrisome changes. The downfall is that with this technology, not all claims can always be supported. According to the Federal Trade Commission, some apps’ actual functionality lacks evidence. While some of the apps have been researched to check the accuracy of their claims, four different apps were followed and found that they misidentified 30 to 93 percent of melanomas as nothing to be concerned about. The risks of relying on an app versus consulting with a medical professional can be high-risk. Try consulting with your doctor today.

— Surine Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. For more information, you can reach Greenway at 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. This week’s source: “What It Means When Moles Change,” *Consumer Reports*, June 2016

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SAW MILL – Bennington and Willard have purchased the boiler, engine and fixtures which formerly belong to the Puebla Gold, Silver and Copper Mining Co., and intend to put up a saw mill near the head of Reynolds’ Creek. There are three mills now running in Owyhee, and we believe they are doing a paying business. Mr. Eves’ mill in Flint will start soon, and with this new one there will be five in operation. Shows a great demand for lumber.

SOLD – Nearly all the “Melican” boys who have been mining on Jordan, below Ruby and in the vicinity of Boonville, have sold out to Chinamen. Some have quartz on the brain and others the “gals they left behind.” When really afflicted with either of these demoralizers, ye be most miner selleth his claim to Sam Yung, ah pieg yo-whing without much regard to ye celestial profit.

# Homedale woman’s book details son’s drowning accident

Ten years after her son’s devastating drowning accident, Robyn Page has penned the first of what may be a series of books about the experience.

The Homedale mother received 500 copies of “It is Not a Dream, It is Reality” last week from her publisher, and she is now selling those books detailing the first year of her son Jonathan’s recovery.

At the age of 15, Jonathan suffered an anoxic brain injury after nearly drowning while getting in one last fishing trip with his cousins while on summer vacation in Tulsa, Okla., in August 2005.

Page’s book, which includes recollections from her husband and Jonathan’s father, Samuel, as well as family, friends and health care workers, details the first year after the accident, from Jonathan’s comatose state immediately after

the accident to his continued cognitive improvement while undergoing extensive therapy in Boise.

Copies of the book, produced by Independent Holiness Publishers of Pounding Mill, Va., are available for \$12 plus \$3 shipping and handling. Books can be ordered through Robyn Page’s Facebook page (search for Robyn Goode Page), by calling (208) 337-5021 or writing to Robyn Page, 112 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. W., Homedale, ID 83628. Folks can also email orders to [pagerobyn@yahoo.com](mailto:pagerobyn@yahoo.com).

Proceeds from the book will benefit the family’s continuing efforts to buy a new van to transport Jonathan in comfort to family outings and medical appointments. A Go Fund Me page has been set up with a goal of \$25,000.

# Birthday

## Former Owyhee resident Eunice Powell turning 100

The family of Eunice Powell is asking folks to send notes and remembrances on the occasion of the former Owyhee County resident’s 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Powell was born on Aug. 6, 1916 in Jordan Valley, Ore.

She and V.R. (Mike) Powell farmed in the Homedale-Jump

Creek area for about 25 years before retiring to Caldwell in the mid-1970s.

Powell now lives in Hermiston, Ore.

Remembrances and other correspondence can be sent to Eunice c/o Bob Powell, 190 Tyler Ave., Umatilla, Ore. 97882.

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# Calendar

## Today

- Coffee club**  
9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Owyhee Watershed Council meeting**  
3 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (541) 372-5782
- Grand View City Council meeting**  
6 p.m., Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, (208) 834-2700, Monday through Thursday
- Homedale Highway District meeting**  
6 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale
- Homedale City Council meeting**  
6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641
- Marsing City Council meeting**  
7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122
- Marsing Fire Commissioners meeting**  
7:30 p.m., Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St., Marsing.

## 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
- Vision Church food distribution**  
2 p.m. to 4 p.m., donations welcome, Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 779-7926
- Homedale Farmers Market**  
3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, Homedale. [homedalefarmersmarket.weebly.com](http://homedalefarmersmarket.weebly.com)
- TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting**  
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867
- Faith Riders horse riding**  
6:30 p.m., spring and summer session, Lucky 3 Arena, Idaho Hwy. 55, Marsing. (208) 249-1595
- Marsing Ambulance Service meeting**  
7 p.m., Marsing Senior Center 218 W. Main St..
- Veterans of Foreign Wars meeting**  
7 p.m., Samuel Phillips III Post 11065, 208 3rd St., Wilder. (208) 260-2778 or (208) 250-7780
- AA meetings**  
7 p.m. to 8 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464

## Friday

- Homedale library Story Time**  
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
- Conner Landa Memorial Softball Tournament**  
5 p.m., Sundance Park, West 1st Street South, Homedale.

## Saturday

- Conner Landa Memorial Softball Tournament**  
7 a.m., Sundance Park, West 1st Street South, Homedale.
- Fundraiser breakfast**  
7 a.m. to 10 a.m., \$6 per plate, all you can eat, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Friends of the Homedale library meeting**  
10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.
- Free lunches**  
Noon to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

## Sunday

- Conner Landa Memorial Softball Tournament**  
7 a.m., Sundance Park, West 1st Street South, Homedale.

## Monday

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

## Tuesday

- Foot clinic**  
8:30 a.m., \$12, appointment necessary, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Foot clinic**  
9 a.m., call for appointment, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430  
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- 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
- Blood pressure clinic**  
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Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children executive director Beth Oppenheimer, left, chats with 9-year-old Desiree Conger about her book selection at Monday’s meal at Marsing City Park. Desiree is the daughter of Adam and Sheryl Conger and was at the park with Marsing resident Stephanie Sevy and her children.

✓ Partnership: 1,500 books made available

the Marsing Housing Authority on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue West. The free lunches will be served until Aug. 5.

AEYC executive director Beth Oppenheimer visited City Park on Monday to shed light on the program’s objectives and to participate in the distribution of books.

“We are very optimistic about the partnership with the Nutrition Program at Marsing School District, and we have applied for grants to continue supporting the community,” Oppenheimer said.

The partnership helps bolster children’s education by providing food to ensure the children can concentrate on learning and minimizing learning loss that occurs between school years.

An AEYC press release stated that state Department of Education data shows that more than half of Marsing children don’t have the basic literacy skills to be successful in their first year of school. The statewide ratio is 40 percent.

“(Idaho Reading Indicator) results from the last three years

show that an average of 58 percent of children required intensive or strategic intervention when entering kindergarten,” Oppenheimer said of the Marsing population.

Since beginning the program on June 9, AEYC reps have distributed about 500 books and there are plans to give away 1,500 total in Marsing.

Utilizing a grant, AEYC is bringing age-appropriate titles to 18 school districts throughout the state. More than 15,000 books, including bilingual titles, are being distributed through a partnership with summer meal programs as well as libraries, health services agencies and Head Start programs.

Marsing was eligible for the program because 2014 Census numbers reveal that more than 25 percent of boys and girls 18 years and younger lives in poverty.

“Unfortunately, only Marsing is eligible for our current grant, but people from the adjacent communities can attend the program in Marsing,” Oppenheimer said. “Books are available for

any children regardless of where they live.”

The AEYC’s READ Up program is an initiative of The Children’s Reading Foundation in an attempt to provide books to children who otherwise might not have access. Studies show that in many communities there are no books available for children in their homes, according to the AEYC.

The organization says that without access to books, children can lose up to three months of what they learned during the school year.

AEYC is working directly with Marsing, Payette and Jerome school districts through their summer meal programs, Oppenheimer said. Six other school districts are in the program, and AEYC is also working with Terry Reilly Health Services. Oppenheimer said story time events are offered to give away books in places that aren’t tied to summer meals.

More information about Boise-based non-profit AEYC can be found at [www.idahoaeyc.org](http://www.idahoaeyc.org).

— JPB

Homedale Sr. Center cooks up breakfast again on Saturday

Another fundraiser breakfast will be held Saturday at the Homedale Senior Center.

The meal will be served from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., at the senior center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. The cost is \$6 per plate.

There is an additional charge for orange juice.

Although the bi-monthly blood pressure clinics have been suspended until further notice, the center still offers other programs and activities:

- The Ladies Coffee Group will meet today and each Wednesday at 9 a.m.
- The monthly foot clinic will be held on Tuesday. Appointments are necessary, and a checkup costs \$12. Appointments are available beginning at 8:30 a.m. Call the senior center at 337-3020 to set an appointment.

OHR to celebrate expansion, quality award

Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation will unveil its expansion plans during a public award celebration next Wednesday.

The event runs from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the nursing home located in the 108 West Owyhee Ave.

OHR administrator Chase Gunderson said facility tours will be available and there will be entertainment and refreshments.

At 3 p.m., Christopher Christensen founder and president of OHR’s parent company, Ensign Group, will address the crowd and present the facility a flag, which represents the firm’s highest quality award.

Homedale graduate on Saint Martin’s Dean’s List

Homedale High School graduate Corbin Schamber has earned a spot on the Saint Martin’s University Dean’s List.

A junior, Schamber is majoring in Religious Studies.

He achieved a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher while completing 12 course hours during the 2016 spring semester at the Lacey, Wash., private university.

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✓ Medal: Recipient, a Civil War veteran, died 100 years ago last month

100 years ago.

The stone now reflects the medal Maher earned along with two other future Idahoans during action on Oct. 20, 1869 in the Indian Campaign in Arizona's Chiricahua Mountains.

The ceremony included full military honors with a 21-gun salute and the playing of Taps, according to Ann Rutan.

Maher is a cousin of William Henry Maher, who homesteaded at Lone Tree near Jordan Valley, according to one of William's great-grandchildren, Ilene Maher Canning. Canning and her sister, Anita Maher Gluch, who also attended the ceremony, are Jordan Valley natives and Nicholas' cousins.

Nicholas Maher's gravestone now reflects the 1<sup>st</sup> Calvary company in which he served, his promotion to sergeant after the Medal of Honor and the date of his heroic actions.

According to research by Gayle Alvarez of the Idaho Military History Museum, Maher was a Civil War veteran and he earned the Congressional Medal of Honor on Oct. 20, 1869 during a firefight with Indians in Arizona's Chiricahua Mountains.

"It was very special," Canning said of the ceremony. "I'm so happy that Gayle dug into the past history for all this info. Not a great deal of it was available, but she did a fabulous job."

Col. R. F. Bernard of the 1<sup>st</sup> Calvary detailed Maher's heroics and that of two other future Idahoans (and others) in his rec-



The Ontario, Ore., Veterans of Foreign Wars post's honor guard stands by as Gayle Alvarez of the Idaho Military History Museum recounts how Nicholas Maher's Congressional Medal of Honor status stepped from the shadows of history. Submitted photo

ommendation letter two months after the battle.

Maher is listed as "Corpl. Nicholas Meaheer, Troop G, Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Cav." in the letter:

"These men are they who advanced with me up the steep and rocky mesa under as heavy a fire as I ever saw delivered from this number of men (Indians) say from one hundred to two hundred.

"These men advanced under

this fire until within thirty steps from the Indians when they came to a ledge of rocks, where every man who showed his head was shot at by several Indians at once.

"Here the men remained and did good shooting through the crevices in the rocks until ordered to fall back, which was done by running from rock to rock where they would halt and return the fire

of the Indians.

"When a government gives an incentive to men for special good conduct I feel confident in saying that every one of these men is justly entitled to be specially rewarded."

Alvarez notes that Maher's medal was later approved for engraving. Although the medals were shipped to San Francisco, Alvarez said it can only be presumed that Maher and the others received them because there is no record of a formal presentation.

Alvarez detailed how Maher's honors had been lost to history because of an alternative spelling of his last name.

Ten years after his service in Arizona, Maher was listed in the 1880 Census as a quartz miner living in Silver City. By 1900, he was in Jordan Valley, and he worked there as a farmer until 1912 when he moved to the Soldiers Home in Boise.

Maher died near Bruneau in June 1916 while on an automobile trip from Boise to Reno, Alvarez detailed Saturday in reference to an Idaho Statesman article from June 27, 1916. He was 70 years old, and the cause of the death was given as apoplexy.

"In today's vernacular, Maher had a stroke," Alvarez wrote in



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her presentation.

Maher's body was shipped to Jordan Valley for burial.

Because his name was misspelled "Meaheer" on the Bernard's Medal of Honor recommendation letter, Maher's place in U.S. military history was lost until 2011 when a Congressional Medal of Honor Society archivist discovered a connection between Meaheer and Maher.

"It all began with his pension index card, which happened to list his date of death and residency," Alvarez said. "Not all of them do."

Because rules had been modified, the Veterans Administration denied an application for a Medal of Honor grave marker.

Five years later, with no exception to the rule forthcoming, the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation agreed to cover the cost of supplemental engraving on Maher's headstone. Silver Diamond LLC of Caldwell carried out the work.

Saturday's ceremony was the culmination of the journey.

"It is often said, 'Poor is the nation that has no heroes ... Shameful is the one that, having them ... forgets'," Alvarez said wrapping up her presentation.

"Nicholas Maher, you are not forgotten."

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Music with a message

“Glass,” a musician from Middleton who attends Vision Community Church in Marsing, performs “America the Beautiful” on Monday morning at Marsing City Park. Glass says he provides “Music and The Word” of Jesus Christ during the summer lunches at the park and the Marsing Labor Camp each week.

County solid waste fee hike hearing set

County residents will have their say later this month on a proposed increase in solid waste fees.

During a July 5 meeting, the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners scheduled a public hearing on the proposal for 10 a.m., on Monday, July 25 in Courtroom 2 of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, in Murphy.

It would be the first solid waste fee increase since 2010. The hike is being sought as part of the fiscal year 2017 budget process.

The current solid waste fee structure is \$44 per single household and \$88 per commercial business. The fee is tacked on annually to property tax bills. Residents and business owners pay the fee, which is split evenly between December and June due dates, but can be paid in full in December if a landowner opts to pay the property tax in full at that time.

During their June 27 meeting, commissioners discussed raising

the residential fee by \$6 to \$50 annually and the business fee by \$12 to \$100 annually.

A public hearing is necessary because the hikes are more than five percent. The increases would reflect a 13.6 percent higher cost for customers.

During the June 27 meeting, County Clerk Angie Barkell told the commissioners that money coming in from solid waste fees isn’t keeping up with what she budgets for disposing of trash.

“We charged last year in fees \$215,000,” Barkell said. “Our expense is \$262,000.”

The county has enough carryover to cover that gap this in FY 2016, and there will be about \$55,000 in that budget line to start the next fiscal year. But there likely will be no cash carryover at the end of FY 2017.

The solid waste fee increases would raise \$244,700 for the FY 2017 budget line, according to Barkell.

— SC

Homedale library focuses on frogs

Friday’s Story Time at the Homedale Public Library is all about frogs, and two books will be read during the 10:15 a.m. program.

Boys and girls will hear a reading of “A Tadpole Grows Up” by Gilda and Melvin Berger. “Tuesday” by David Wiesner will also be read.

Library youth services coordinator Carol McMichael said children will also participate

in a frog-themed activity during the program.

The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

The library is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday.

Call (208) 337-4228 for more information about the library and its programs.

Citizens have another chance to comment on private land burials

Proposed county ordinance gets second public hearing

County residents will have another chance to comment on a proposed new ordinance regarding burials on private property.

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners (BOCC) continued a discussion on the Private Interment Ordinance during a July 5 meeting after first talking about the proposal on June 27.

No citizens attended a May 25 public hearing on the ordinance regulating how human remains are buried on private property.

Because nobody showed up to testify on the proposal, no changes were made to the new ordinance, so no other hearing was required, and the BOCC could have adopted the regulations last week.

But on July 5 District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi, the board chair, floated an idea to give folks another chance to comment on the proposal.

“I want to side on the side of making sure the public can comment,” Aberasturi said. “I know that it’s already been done once, but if it’s all right I would like to have this as a commissioners’ public hearing also before we adopt this.”

District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland agreed with Aberasturi.

“I’d feel a lot more comfortable,” Hoagland said.

County Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff affirmed that holding another public hearing wouldn’t be a problem.

“These are your options. If you guys want to, that’s great,” Huff said.

The hearing will be held at 11 a.m., on Monday, Aug. 22 in courtroom 2 of the Owyhee

County Courthouse in Murphy. It’ll coincide with the BOCC’s weekly meeting.

Huff previously stated that she began considering the need for such an ordinance after receiving concerns from a woman in the Homedale area.

The woman lives next to a property where two bodies were already buried and a third was recently interred there. The woman was upset that a funeral procession crossed her land to access the site of the most recent burial.

Marsing resident Laura Anglin sent a letter to the county P&Z commission last week expressing her displeasure with how events have unfolded.

In the letter, a copy of which she sent to The Owyhee Avalanche, Anglin stated she found the complainant to be “most insensitive.”

“I know from recent experience that burying a member of the family is devastating and to be ‘upset’ enough to complain that a funeral procession is crossing your land is almost not human,” Anglin wrote. “This only serves to distress a family when they are already at their lowest. I am upset that the commission would apply such importance to a single individual who appears to lack compassion.”

Anglin also strongly objects to how the proposed ordinance would only allow two bodies to be buried on private property.

“That seems a rather arbitrary number particularly if a parcel of land has been held in a family for generations,” Anglin wrote. “I think the decision to keep a family together in their final resting place is not a decision that should be

made by individuals who have no emotional connection to the persons while they were living, nor have any ownership of the property in which these persons are to be buried. If no safety risk or hazard is caused to the public by the private burial of a family member then it is no business of the P&Z commission or anyone else.”

Huff responded to Anglin’s letter and clarified why the proposal was issued.

“The proposed ordinance was not brought about because of a single call from one citizen,” Huff said. “The fact is that the county has seen an increase for such requests and the proposed ordinance is a way to help make the process easier for people wishing to do a home burial.”

She also clarified that the woman who contacted the county did not issue a formal complaint about the funeral procession.

“(She) simply called the county to inquire how it is that the burials continue to happen without a public process for surrounding neighbors to have input or at least be aware of what is taking place,” Huff said.

Under the ordinance, there would be a \$200 private interment permit fee. The property owner may also be required to put down a \$1,000 deposit for a site survey that must be conducted within 60 days of the burial. Once the survey is completed, the deposit would be returned to the property owner.

Aberasturi hopes that another hearing will allow people to comment on the proposal if they didn’t know about the first gathering.

“They might get it this time, if they don’t, then we’ll move forward and see how it goes,” Aberasturi said.

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### Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website Monday showed Owyhee Reservoir was 50 percent full (356,864 acre-feet) and water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 182 cubic feet per second. Water was flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 111 cfs.

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

# Marsing homes plan before P&Z

## Fuel plant in Grand View wants retail pumps

The Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear applications on a mixture of residential and commercial development.

Retail fuel pumps are proposed in Grand View and the first of two adjacent residential subdivision are planned in Marsing.

The P&Z commission will hold public hearings on three different conditional use permits beginning at 10 a.m. next Wednesday inside the county courthouse annex, 17069 Basey St., in Murphy.

Leslie and Lavada Loucks’ plan for a 21-lot residential subdivision in Marsing is the first permit hearing on the docket.

The plan is to build on 27 acres of a 46.64-acre parcel bordered by Thompson Road and Old Bruneau Highway near the Morning Dove residential subdivision.

At 1 p.m. next Wednesday, P&Z commissioners will receive testimony on a plan to add islands of retail/commercial fuel pumps to Franklin United Inc.’s existing bulk fuel plant at 36873 Hwy. 78 in Grand View.

The development is planned for a half-acre in a multi-use zone.

The final CUP hearing set for next week, starting at 2 p.m., deals with a husband-and-wife plan to establish a private outdoor shooting range and training facility on Oreana Loop Road in Oreana.

The range would be situated on 680 acres encompassing two parcels zoned for agricultural use.

Copies of the proposed projects can be reviewed in the P&Z office in Murphy. Call (208) 495-2095, ext. 2 for more information.

# Sale yards bolster Owyhee monument opposition group

Livestock sale yards in Oregon and Idaho have donated more than \$17,000 to support the campaign to oppose a national monument in the Owyhee Canyonlands.

The Owyhee Basin Stewardship Coalition of families, recreationalists, businesses and other Owyhee Canyonlands supporters was formed to counter special interest groups’ lobbying efforts to convince President Barack Obama to designate through executive order a 2.5 million-acre national monument in Malheur County.

The Producers Livestock Marketing Association and Treasure Valley Livestock recently donated proceeds from sales to the coalition’s efforts.

The Producers co-op donated 33 percent of its commission from an auction last month, netting \$11,600 so far. The Producers fundraising campaign has been extended through today.

“Our business is to support the ranchers who work the land and cattle that call the Owyhee Canyonlands home,” Producers branch manager Jason Johnson said. “We’re happy to support the Owyhee Basin Stewardship Coalition because ranching supports the economy and people of Eastern Oregon.”

Donations to the Owyhee coalition can be made by calling Producers at (541) 473-3136 or by donating online at [www.ourland-ourvoice.com/donate.php](http://www.ourland-ourvoice.com/donate.php)

Treasure Valley Livestock donated \$5,700 from recent sales.

“We deeply appreciate the support and donations provided by the Producers and Treasure Valley,” Owyhee Basin Stewardship Coalition chair Steve Russell said. “We’ll put the funds to good use promoting the work our families have done to care for these lands for generations.”

Malheur County is Oregon’s No. 1 cattle producing county, driving \$134 million in annual sales.

The auction donations support the Owyhee Basin Stewardship Coalition that represents Malheur County families who oppose a national monument in the Owyhee Canyonlands. Special interest groups, led by Portland’s Keen Footwear, are leading the charge to designate the vast monument near the Idaho-Oregon-Nevada border.

More information about the Owyhee coalition is available online at [OurLandOurVoice.com](http://OurLandOurVoice.com).

# Saturday wrecks knock out power around Homedale

Power poles in the Homedale area were struck by vehicles in separate vehicle accidents 20 hours apart Saturday.

Idaho Power reported 42 customers were affected by power outages related to replacing the poles.

Owyhee County Sheriff’s deputies are still investigating the second of the single-vehicle wrecks, which sent a 33-year-old Homedale man to a Boise hospital.

Sheriff Perry Grant said alcohol was possibly a factor when Steven Dickson drove a blue 1994 Toyota pickup into a power pole on Idaho highway 19 west of Homedale near the Oregon border.

“(Investigators) found multiple beer cans in the area,” Grant said. “One was cold and unopened.”

Dickson was bloodied in the accident, and Homedale Ambulance transported him to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise following the crash, which was reported before 11:30 p.m.

Investigators are awaiting the results of a blood draw to determine what charges will be filed, Grant said.

One witness told authorities that Dickson was driving at speeds of about 70 mph before slowing down at the state line.

Idaho Power spokesperson Stephanie McCurdy said only two customers lost utility service for about 90 minutes although no Idaho Power equipment was actually damaged. Electricity was restored at 1:07 a.m.

Earlier in the day, at around 3:30 a.m., authorities responded to a report of a vehicle into a power pole on Market Road west of Homedale.

Caldwell resident Benji Bowers, 42, was cited for leaving the scene of an accident after he allegedly drove his black 2007 Jaguar into a power pole with a transformer.

In addition to the misdemeanor, Bowers also received an infraction citation for failure to carry insurance.

“He thought his insurance may have been cancelled, and he didn’t want to get in trouble,” Grant said, explaining Bowers’ apparent reasons for leaving the scene.

McCurdy said damage to the Idaho Power pole was estimated at \$3,000.

McCurdy said 40 customers were without power from 4:20 a.m. to 9 a.m. as an Idaho Power crew worked to replace the pole. The affected area included Market Road, Clark Island Lane and Clapier Lane.

— JPB

# OCSO boat in need of \$6,500 repair

An Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office boat will soon be taken in for repairs after a mechanical failure that happened during the search for a drowning victim in the Snake River.

Last week, Sheriff Perry Grant and two deputies were helping Ada County lawmen look for the body of a 22-year-old who drowned during a fishing trip near Swan Falls on July 3.

Devin Mazac of Boise disappeared after falling into the water. Ada County search crews recovered his body last Wednesday.

The engine of the OCSO boat stopped working during the search effort, but Grant said he and his deputies used paddles to continue their search. Grant said he jumped into the water at times to guide the boat through eddies.

During Monday’s meeting, Grant told the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners that repairs to the motor will cost about \$6,500.

He admitted that he was surprised by the quote that he was given.

“I just got some sticker-shock because we drop motors for half that price in our vehicles,” Grant said. “I just thought that was a little spendy.”

However, Grant also said he wants to repair the motor, not replace it.

District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi, the board chair, agreed about taking the boat into the shop.

“Have them go through everything and get it fixed,” Aberasturi said. “You have to have it out there on the water.”

He added that it simply makes financial sense to keep the boat at this time. Grant also wants to keep the boat in service because water calls are frequent this time of year.

“Until we have the funds in place to replace something like that, let’s just get it fixed so you don’t have to worry about it,” Aberasturi said. “It’s just like any other vehicle: If it starts becoming a problem you get it fixed, and then look at the future of what you need to do if you need to replace it.”

He also made it clear to Grant that the boat needs to be reliable.

“It’s an emergency vehicle. It needs to be in top shape,” Aberasturi said. “The last thing we need is for you guys to be stranded out there.”

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# Market's children's program highlights ladybugs this week

Boys and girls participating in the Cultivate! program at the Homedale Farmers Market on Thursday will learn a few things about ladybugs and the role they play in producing fruits and vegetables.

Jennifer Adkins will teach the class from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in Bette Uda City Park.

The children will learn how ladybugs can promote plant health and control pests in backyard gardens.

Adkins wants to show the young program participants how ladybugs eat aphids and keep other destructive insects off of developing plants.

There will also be hands-on activities during the program.

"The students will get to paint decorative ladybug rocks, and will each receive their own live ladybugs to release into their own garden," Adkins said. "My hope is that they will share the information they learn in class with their family and friends and will enjoy taking their very own ladybugs home to keep pests at bay."

Currently the Homedale Farmers Market marketing director, Adkins has been involved with

the market since 2013.

"I'm in charge of handling social media outlets for the market, as well as running the information booth during market days," Adkins said.

She said that the Cultivate! program is extremely important to her.

"I believe that we have an incredible opportunity to educate children about their food, where it comes from, and how it impacts their lives," Adkins said. "The Cultivate! program strives to enrich these children's lives by developing a love of learning about the world around them, and the impact they can make on their own community by making sustainable choices."

The Homedale Farmers Market runs from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., each Thursday through Aug. 25 at City Park.

This is the fourth year of the market, but the first year for the children's educational program.

Visit [www.homedalefarmersmarket.weebly.com](http://www.homedalefarmersmarket.weebly.com) for a vendor application, or contact market president and manager Denise Dixon at [ddixon222@msn.com](mailto:ddixon222@msn.com) or (208) 840-0440 for more information.

— SC

## Gardeners chief thrives at local market

Folks shopping at the Homedale Farmers Market this summer can take home live plants or fresh produce grown by the president of the Owyhee Gardeners.

Marilyn Evans sets up a booth called "Marilyn's Garden Vegetables" every week that she can at the market in Bette Uda City Park. The Homedale Farmers Market runs from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. each Thursday through Aug. 25.

Evans wants people to know that all of the products she sells are organic.

"I don't use commercial fertilizers. I use organic fertilizers. I use compost," Evans said. "If there's bugs on my plants, I don't use pesticides. It's all hand weeding, I don't use Roundup or herbicides of any kind."

While her tomato plants and fresh-picked strawberries are popular items at the market, flowers are her favorite things to grow.

"I like dahlias, gladiolas and irises because they're such beautiful flowers," Evans said.

Evans is a retired biology teacher and her last job was a Hermiston, Ore., alternative high school.

She has been a member of the Owyhee Gardeners for about 2½ years. Evans previously served as the club's vice-president.

The mission of the Owyhee Gardeners is to promote civic beautification, and "to encourage and motivate people to beautify their surroundings, but also education and awareness of conservation and taking care of the environment," Evans said.

The garden next to her home covers about a third of an acre, and Evans stated that after gardening in Hermiston, she learned that growing things in a desert isn't easy.

"It can be very challenging when you live in a hot, dry cli-



Owyhee Gardeners president Marilyn Evans at her Marilyn's Garden Vegetables booth at the Homedale Farmers Market.

mate, particularly flowers," Evans said. "They really suffer when it gets to be very hot and dry."

Evans is quick to admit that not all of her gardening projects go perfectly. Last summer she started about 15 tomato plants and gave some to friends. The plants she gave away all grew to produce fruit, but a virus killed all of the plants that stayed behind in her garden.

Evans thinks that the key to becoming a great gardener is to always keep working at it, and to educate yourself.

"There's a lot of information online," Evans said. "If you have a question about any specific thing about a plant or gardening, all you have to do is Google it."

Evans added that she pays close attention to her crops.

"I just feel a real personal connection to the land and what grows on it," Evans said. "I can look at a plant and tell what it needs."

In the winter months, Evans keeps herself busy with sewing

projects, but she starts her yearly batch of plants by seed in February.

Her husband of 43 years, Gary, helps her take the produce to the farmers market, but Evans does all the growing and harvesting herself. The couple has a daughter, Mindi, 39, and a son, Jeremy, 34.

Evans is happy to be part of the farmers market, and hopes more people will stop by the weekly summertime event.

"It gives local people an opportunity to purchase locally raised food," Evans said. "I just wish there were more people in Homedale that would support it and be involved."

She went on to say that the simple things about gardening make her the happiest.

"My greatest satisfaction is when you plant seeds and then they first germinate," Evans said. "To me that's always a thrill, and it never goes away."

— SC



Marsing's Wes Ireland holds on during his first go-round performance at the National Junior High School Finals Rodeo. Submitted photo

## Marsing bull rider 5th at Jr. High nationals

Shelby Dines begins H.S. finals run Monday

Wes Ireland's trip to the National Junior High School National Finals Rodeo was eventful on a couple of fronts.

The Marsing student finished fifth overall in bull riding

Marsing's Wes Ireland had the best showing of local competitors at the National Junior High School National Finals Rodeo and also helped Team Idaho win the volleyball tournament with a victory over Kansas.

Ireland solidified his fifth-place overall finish after taking third in the championship short-go with a 64-point ride on June 25 in Lebanon, Tenn. There were 107 bull riding contestants from around the U.S. and Canada.

Ireland's bull riding success began with a co-performance-best 68-point ride during the June 22 morning session.

Ireland won \$600 in scholarships sponsored by Dutton's Bits and Boot Barn. He also brought home three belt buckles sponsored by Gist Buckles and four pair of Cinch jeans and gift certificates from Boot Barn.

He and his partner, Laney Owen of Gooding, were fourth in the first go-round in ribbon roping with a 9.92-second run.

Team Idaho's boys' squad finished fourth, and the state's athletes were fifth in the coed standings.

Ireland and his traveling partners were called into action on the trip to the competition, according to his mother, Paige Kaufman.

Kaufman was driving near Green River, Wyo., when a motorist in front of her on the Interstate stopped on an overpass. Blocked in by a semi in the other lane, Kaufman had nowhere to go, but was able to stop before the collision.

But another traveling partner, who was pulling a horse trailer, rear-ended Kaufman's travel trailer. Ireland and the other boys in the traveling party acted quickly to free a horse trapped in the stock trailer.

"We spent the night in a wrecking yard in Green River while we waited for friends and family from home to bring us two more pickups with living quarters horse trailers so that we would have a place for moms and kids to stay when we finally got to Lebanon.

"Stressful events, but we managed to get the boys and their horses to the rodeo."

Other cowboys who qualified for the rodeo — Homedale's Michael Babcock and Sean Schnable, who lives part-time in Homedale, did not appear in the results posted on the National High School Rodeo Association website.

The National High School Finals Rodeo begins a weeklong run on Sunday in Gillette, Wyo.

Marsing's Shelby Dines will compete in breakaway roping during Monday's morning performance and the Friday, July 22 evening performance.

## Two hurt in ATV wrecks

Separate Fourth of July ATV wrecks sent people to the hospital.

A 17-year-old boy suffered a possible broken clavicle when he collided with a pickup truck at milepost 17 on Silver City Road.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Sgt. Gary Olsen said the unidentified boy was transported to a regional hospital by air ambulance after the accident, which was reported shortly before 2:30 p.m.

"The pickup was headed toward Silver City, and the four-wheeler came around the corner too fast and didn't negotiate the curve," Olsen said.

A 42-year-old woman was sent to a hospital after suffering possible broken ribs and a punctured lung in an accident on private property on Thompson Road in Homedale.

That accident was reported shortly before 1:30 p.m. on July 4.



# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

## On the edge of common sense Whoa, mule!



I finally collected enough first-hand reports to answer the age-old question, “How do you stop a runaway mule?”

Ace Reid said he had been invited to be the parade marshal in Uvalde. They sat him up in the seat of a good-sized freight wagon pulled by a team of big mules. Halfway through the parade, the mules spooked and started galloping down the street! The driver looked at Ace, handed him the lines and jumped ship! Ace said they were headed straight for a tuba player and two drummers ridin’ drag in the Sabinal High School marching band! He was able to alter the trajectory just enough so that the mules swung toward the sidewalk. When the wagon tongue hit the light pole, they stopped dead in their tracks!

Deanie and her husband Mike train horses up in the Yakima Valley. One afternoon they went down to move a set of heifers from the high school section into the next pasture. She was ridin’ a two-year-old filly and Mike was puttin’ the fine-tuning on a new mule. Deanie got a head start and was ridin’ around the heifers when she saw Mike, well, actually heard Mike comin’! His mule was runnin’ like a race horse! Mike’s ears were blown flat against his head and he’d applied one of his ol’ trainer’s tricks to gain control. He had pulled that mule’s head all the way back around ’til his nose was in Mike’s left stirrup! Deanie watched as the mounted cartoonists slowed to a bangin’ trot and crossed the schoolhouse playground! She could hear Mike shouting instructions as they ran the obstacle course of sandboxes, teeter totters and jungle gyms! How they made it lengthwise through the swing set without strangling Mike is a miracle! The mule, still jerked into a “U,” rebroke into a gallop, ran straight through the heifers and scattered ’em like balls on the break! Deanie swung to get outta the way, but the mule rear-ended her at full speed! Stopped him in his tracks!

Out in California, Uncle Jack has a mule on his place that he called Son of the San Joaquin. Lon insisted on ridin’ him in spite of Jack’s precautions. He watched Lon lope his mule up the road, but it wasn’t long ’til he heard the sound of pounding hooves! Over his shoulder, Jack saw Lon shoot past him! They were kicked into overdrive in spite of the fact that Lon had the mule’s head pulled clean back to his boot top! The road turned right. The mule never noticed. He ran smack-dab, flat into an orange tree! From Jack’s vantage point, it looked like the orange tree had been struck by lightning! A terrible crashing sound ensued as Lon flew off the mule and shot through the branches like a six-foot smoked salmon fired from a battleship!

Did it stop the mule? You bet, but they say you can still see pieces of Lon’s hat and shirt and glasses embedded in the bark.

— Visit Baxter’s Web site at [www.baxterblack.com](http://www.baxterblack.com) for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including books, DVDs and his newest release, “Baxter Black Amongst Friends,” which is a two-CD, one-DVD set.

### Letters to the editor

All letters to the editor submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche must be no longer than 300 words, signed and include the writer’s address and daytime phone number.

The submission deadline is noon on Friday:

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For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

## Eyes on Owyhee Friction obscures Grand View



When a small town’s pool of service-minded citizens is shallow, the people in charge have to get along.

There has been an upheaval in Grand View within the past two years with the citizens voting in a new mayor and completely revamping the city council.

The one constant has been the city clerk, Tammy Payne, who actually stepped away from the mayoral position in 2013 and took the paying position.

Within a few weeks of installing Payne in the city clerk post, the city council also gave the former Homedale city councilperson some duties that could be seen as exclusively the purview of the mayor.

Payne was put in charge of special projects, and she also was given pseudo-supervisory duties over the public works department. That is, she’d call Bob Servis or his underling whenever a citizen had a call for service.

Under state law, it could be interpreted that the clerk telling city employees what to do — even for efficiency’s sake — is illegal under the mayor-council form of government.

In some respects, the lay of the land in Grand View since August 2013 could be seen as a manager-council government, which is allowed under state law only after an election is held to abandon the mayor-council system.

No such vote was taken in Grand View, so it could be argued that the current management policy — no matter how efficient and no matter the reason for making the changes — is illegal.

But it’s difficult to find fault IF the move was done to make the city run more efficiently after Opal Ward’s appointment to the office of mayor. Perhaps Ward wasn’t as accessible on a daily basis as necessary to direct the city maintenance crew to infrastructure emergencies or calls for assistance from citizens.

After all, even in Homedale, if a person has a problem with irrigation or water service, a call to City Hall —

hopefully — leads to a call to public works supervisor Bret Smith. But Mayor Gheen Christoffersen doesn’t make that call; city staff makes the call.

Payne’s oversight of special projects, however, could be slightly more dicey for Grand View’s government.

The swiftness with which the action was taken — less than a month after Payne left office — can make one wonder about the motives.

Perhaps Ward’s successor, Franklin Hart, also wasn’t as available either. Payne apparently continued to run the public works department’s service schedule after the longtime city councilman took office in January 2014.

For whatever reason, friction began to show in the city government a few months into Hart’s tenure and there were rumors that a recall was being sought.

Less than a year later, Hart stepped down as mayor, citing personal and “personnel” reasons. He said that there had been conflict between he and Payne and that he became frustrated because councilmen elected in November 2014 (he didn’t elaborate whom) failed to follow through with their campaign promise to restore mayoral powers.

It’s difficult to determine the true facts because of the he said-she said nature of the situation.

But what is clear is Grand View needs unified leadership — from the mayor, through the council to the clerk — in order to continue on a path of prosperity.

The town has made strides toward beautification with the greenbelt along Roosevelt Street, the tiling of the ditch that runs where the undeveloped Wood Street was platted, and the improvements at Riverside Park (which Payne spearheaded).

It’s time for the city fathers to get together and wipe the ugliness from the government to ensure that Grand View keeps shining and keeps moving forward.

Sen. Mike Crapo

## From Washington Mentors help build our country’s strong future



Earlier this year, the U.S. Senate unanimously passed a resolution recognizing the importance of mentoring in encouraging achievement in our nation’s youth. Mentors across America are helping ensure young people reach their goals and goals they may never have thought they could achieve.

The statistics included in S.Res. 356 deserve reflection:

- An estimated 9 million young people in the U.S. “feel isolated from meaningful connections with adults outside their homes, constituting a ‘mentoring gap’ that demonstrates a need for collaboration and resources.”
- When compared with similarly situated young people without a mentor, young people who were at risk for not completing high school but who had a mentor were 55 percent more likely to be enrolled in college; 81 percent more likely to report participating regularly in sports or extracurricular activities; more than twice as likely to say they held a leadership position in a club or sports team; and 78 percent more likely to pay it forward by volunteering regularly in their communities.

Mentors are making a difference in helping American youth learn important life skills, connect with others who can help them along their career paths and lead productive and fulfilling lives. The Senate recognized the magnitude of the service of those who “help the young people of the United States find inner strength and reach their full potential” and acknowledged “mentoring encourages

educational achievement, reduces juvenile delinquency, improves life outcomes and strengthens communities.”

Given the many demands on our time and the importance of time with family and other responsibilities, it can be difficult to find the time to work to help prepare young people outside our families with what they need to lead dynamic lives. I express my deepest gratitude to the countless Americans who are taking the time to help guide young people in our communities on successful paths. This includes all those supporting and advising youth through their examples as positive role models and through assisting with programs and projects that seek to provide opportunities for young people. You are making a difference.

America’s youth are truly our greatest asset. They are the thought-leaders, pioneers and progress-makers of tomorrow. Helping them capitalize on the experience of predecessors will give them a leg up for overcoming current and future challenges, and channeling their wonder and energy into knowledge and success advances our country. Thank you, mentors, for all you are doing for America’s youth, our communities and our nation.

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



# Commentary

## Financial management

### For big families, debt-free plan is same only bigger

**Dear Dave,**  
My husband and I have seven kids. What parts of your program work best for large families?  
— Karen

**Dear Karen,**  
My entire plan works for a large family. Larger families just have more expenses. What does change — and you already knew this — is that it can be a larger financial burden. This isn't criticism; it's just a mathematical fact.  
When you kick things into overdrive like you folks have done, two things have happened. One, you've extended the time that you're going to be supporting the kids financially. Two, you've got a lot of baby birds to feed and clothe.  
Unless you have an astronomi-

cal income, it slows down the process of hitting financial goals like getting out of debt, because you've got a drain on the math side of things. It's a wonderful drain; it's a glorious drain; but mathematically speaking where the money is concerned, it's still a drain.  
You really don't have any choice but to do a budget. Having seven kids doesn't give you an excuse to live out of control or mean that living out of control without a plan is the definition of success. You've got to set more emergency categories aside in your budget. You've got to budget heavier for food, medical, transportation and things like that, because you've got more things pulling at you — and your money!  
— Dave



**DAVE Says**  
by Dave Ramsey • [www.davesays.org](http://www.davesays.org)

**Dear Dave,**  
I make \$80,000 a year, and I was wondering if there's an easy way to determine how much money a person would need to live

comfortably after retirement.  
— John

**Dear John,**  
A commonsense rule of thumb, if you've got your money invested in good growth stock mutual funds, is to pull from those funds at a rate that is lower than which they are growing. Otherwise, you'll destroy them, right?  
I tell folks if they want to pull off six percent to eight percent — I'm comfortable doing eight percent — then you've got to decide exactly how much you want to live on and what that means for your nest egg. If you want to live on \$80,000 a year, it means you have to have a \$1 million nest egg. If you want to live on \$40,000 a year, then you need a half-million dollar nest egg for what we're

talking about here.  
To get into that a little bit further, I would advise going to Chris Hogan's website. He's got a tool on there that takes just a few minutes, and it will give you exact numbers on what you need to do. It's ChrisHogan360.com, and the tool is called the R:IQ — your Retire Inspired Quotient.  
You can walk through it, and in just a few minutes you'll know exactly what's going on and what needs to happen!  
— Dave  
— Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business, and CEO of Ramsey Solutions. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 11 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations and digital outlets.

## Idaho Freedom Foundation

### Idaho again hurts a homegrown business — again

What the state of Idaho is doing to George and Mary Gersema's company, their employees, is wrong. The state government is making it harder for the Gersemas to stay in business by offering yet another advantage to a competitor.  
George and Mary started their business, Employers Resource, in Idaho 30 years ago. As the company has grown, the Gersemas have remained loyal to Idaho. They've raised their family here, have added jobs whenever they could, and eventually expanded operations to several states. The home base of operations remains in Idaho, and George and Mary still work at the company headquarters in Boise.  
All this time, George and Mary have asked nothing of the state. They've never asked for special tax incentives. They've not asked for special favors. They've requested no taxpayer-funded grants. They have just wanted to pursue their passion and to seek economic prosperity for themselves, for their employees.  
Last week, the state Department of Labor announced it was awarding a \$1.2 million grant to Paylocity, a Chicago company that operates in the same human resources sector as Employers Resource. The grant comes from the taxes



paid by Idaho businesses, large and small — including Employers Resource.  
The Labor Department contends the grant to Paylocity is completely fair, because any company can apply for the funding.  
“If Employers Resource has workforce training challenges, the Idaho Department of Labor is more than willing to work with Mr. Gersema on an application for Idaho Workforce Development Training Funds,” agency spokeswoman Georgia Smith said.  
A lot of companies do have, as Smith put it, “workforce training challenges.” That's because instead of allocating resources toward workforce training, companies are taxed to death and compelled to give their would-be workforce training dollars to the state, which in turn gives the money to other companies.  
There are more than 150,000 small businesses in Idaho, most of which do not get grant funding from the state, most of the companies have never asked for any kind of subsidy or special tax incentives.  
Nor should they.  
Companies should be responsible for their own employee training. If Paylocity wants to hire employees, one would expect Paylocity to train its employees. That's a cost of doing business, a cost that should not fall on the rest of the business world. And, George and Mary should not be compelled, by law, to supply the money needed to

train their competitor's employees.  
This is the second time the state has offered a special incentive to Paylocity. Last year, the Idaho Department of Commerce announced it would give Paylocity a \$6.5 million break on its income, sales and payroll taxes. Shortly thereafter, Paylocity's job recruiters started to call employees at Employers Resource.  
Since the initial Paylocity tax break, Employers Resource has filed a lawsuit against the state of Idaho. The case to be made: That the special tax deals are unconstitutional. The state of Idaho is repaying the lawsuit by piling on with another subsidy and a middle finger.  
George and Mary deserve better. Through Employers Resource, they have invested in Idaho. They have kept the company headquarters here. They have provided livelihoods for families here. In short, they have rightfully done all the things one would expect of an investor, a company owner, in this state.  
Instead, they are punished by politicians and public servants who award their competitors with financial competitive advantages. George, Mary and their employees deserve better.  
— 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.

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# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

July 17, 1991

**Daniel Erbe takes city council seat**

A local insurance man, Daniel Erbe, owner of the Farmers Insurance Group office at 16 East Wyoming, was sworn into office as the newest member of the Homedale City Council on Monday night, replacing Cindy Clayton, who resigned when her family moved away.

Erbe was appointed to the council vacancy by Mayor Paul J. Fink, and the appointment was subsequently approved without comment by Councilmen Frank Haylett, Dan Murphy and Mike Beavers.

Erbe will hold the council seat at least until next January, following the next municipal election this November. City Clerk-Treasurer Edna I. Grimes said the seat will have to be filled by an election then, under Idaho law, and that Councilman Mike Beaver’s term in office is also expiring at the end of this year, meaning both seats will be re-filled by city voters this fall.

Erbe and his family came to Homedale from Baldwin Park, CA, eight years ago. He and his wife, Jeanette, have five boys and two grandchildren. Their son, Sam, will be home Aug. 7 from a two-year LDS mission in Australia. Their married son, James, is stationed in England with the U.S. Air Force. The three sons still at home are Tim, Jason and Aaron Erbe.

**30 sign petition for restrictions**

Thirty residents across the Snake River from Homedale, mostly along Homedale Road and Riverview Drive, have signed a petition urging the city government to limit nighttime use of the west side of the river within city limits.

The petition, prepared for presentation to the Homedale City Council, urges that 24-hour access be prohibited on the river’s west side within the town jurisdiction. It seeks to ban all activity after 10 p.m. in the area specified.

The petitioners cite abuse of wildlife on the river, alcohol consumption, fighting, loud music, litter and the illegal use of firearms as reasons for seeking the new restrictions.

The area specified by the petition would include riverbanks adjoining the Homedale Airport, Riverside Park and the Homedale boat ramp.

**World War II veteran finally gets medals**

Forty-six years late, the U.S. Army finally mailed to a Homedale man, Crawford Brumett, 66, the chest-full of medals that he earned as a World War II combat soldier gravely wounded in action. The medals he received recently in a plain, brown box without any fanfare or official letter of thanks include the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, meaning the distinguished citation for special bravery was earned twice.

After entering the military in Tennessee in June 1942, Brumett was in combat for over a year as an armored infantryman in the 53<sup>rd</sup> Armored Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Armored Division, General George E. Patton’s 3<sup>rd</sup> Army. “We spearheaded the drive all the way across Europe to the Rhine River,” he said quietly at his home last week.

**Greenhouse farming enjoyable but challenging**

Gary and Teresa Schwisow started Express Farms in late 1983 because they were tired of their “regular” jobs, Gary said.

“It was hard to get vacation time together and we had 40-plus years before retirement,” Gary said. “We just decided we would like to try something different.”

They quit their jobs and Teresa went back to college for a second bachelor’s degree.

She received her degree in horticulture a year-and-a-half later from Washington State University in Pullman, Wash., and the couple settled along the river near Marsing, Gary said they knew there were natural hot springs in the area, and they felt the water would help them operate their business more efficiently.

Gary said the business has steadily expanded, and the farm now has 60,000 square feet, or 1 1/3 acres, of greenhouses.

## 50 years ago

July 14, 1966

**Owyhee Fair Parade plans call for ‘biggest ever’**

Constructive plans for the “biggest parade” ever to be held in Homedale were made recently when members of the planning committee held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Bryce Peterson, Chairman of the Fair Parade.

Revived interest in the Owyhee County Fair parade is being made by an enthusiastic committee made up of members of the Alpha Omega chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, who will supervise and coordinate all the parade activities. Chairmen of the various committees report that “the responses from several outstanding organizations have been most encouraging” and members of the parade committee are “getting excited over the whole thing.”

Biggest attraction will be the appearance of the Paiute Indians from the Duck Valley Reservation who will be attired in full colorful Indian costumes. The EhCapa Indians from Boise, a group of youthful equestrians who ride bareback and without bridles, have also indicated that they will participate in the parade as well as the El Korah Shriners from Boise.

**C. of C. make preparations for annual beef barbecue**

The Chamber of Commerce passed a motion to have Owyhee Meat Packers cook the meat for the chamber’s annual barbecue, which is held in conjunction with the Owyhee County Fair at their regular Tuesday semi-monthly noon luncheon meeting at Max’s cafe.

It was explained that it took too much time and preparation for several members to do the work of cooking the 700 to 750 pounds of roast and that this could be done by Owyhee Meat Packers.

Paul Zatica, Chairman of the Merchant’s Committee, proposed another downtown retail promotion for the end of July and presented a front-page layout completed by Tom Mills of the Chronicle. The promotion was tagged Homedale’s Mid-Summer Clearance Sale for three consecutive days, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 28, 29 and 30.

In other chamber business, Homer Anderson, President, reminded those present of the State Highway Board meeting to be held Tuesday, July 19, in Boise. He asked how many planned to attend the meeting and suggested that as many as possible should go in order to give added support to the project. He added that the meeting was set for 2:30 in the afternoon and those planning on going will leave at 1:15 from town.

Paul Zatica reported that Herman Thornton has agreed to bring his wagon and team of horses for the County Fair parade and suggested that the chamber contact someone in Jordan Valley to see if they would enter the old stagecoach from that town.

**Auxiliary holds election of officers July 6**

The American Legion Auxiliary met July 6 at the home of Emma Henry. The meeting was called to order by Earleen Reimer in the absence of President Norma Pegram. Mrs. Felisa Isaguirre was acting secretary.

The meeting was called to elect officers as no one could come to the regular meeting in June.

Peggy Tallman was elected President; Bunny Blessing, Vice President; Earleen Reimer, Secretary; and Emma Henry, Treasurer. All unanimously.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$144.13. She reported that the \$50 from Kiwanis had not been received as yet and two other rentals were reported not paid.

The two Girls State representatives sent nice thank you notes, which were read.

Delegates for the convention at Coeur d’Alene were appointed as follows: Delegates – Lucille Applegate, Peggy Tallman, Violet Dazey, Bunny Blessing, and Lois Jackson; alternates – Norma Pegram and Earleen Reimer.

The American Legion Auxiliary will sponsor Jeanne Curry daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dexter as Owyhee County Fair queen. Jeanne is 17 and a senior in high school.

## 140 years ago

July 15, 1876

THE INDIAN MASSACRE – Stillwater, Montana, July 2d. – The Indians surrounded Reno’s command and held them one day in the Hills cut off from water, until Gibbon’s command came in sight, when they broke camp in the night and left. The Seventh fought like tigers and were overcome by mere brute force. The Indian loss cannot be estimated, as they bore off and cached most of those killed. The remnant of the Seventh Cavalry and Gibbon’s command are returning to the mouth of the Little Horn, where the steamboat lies. The Indians got all the arms of the killed soldiers. There were seventeen commissioned officers killed. The whole of Custer’s family died at the head of the column. The exact loss is not known as both Adjutants and Sergeant Major were killed. The Indians’ camp was three to four miles long, and was twenty miles up the Little Horn from its mouth. The Indians actually pulled men off their horses in some instances.

THE SITUATION – We have no change to report in connection with the situation of affairs on War Eagle Mountain. Matters there remain in *status quo*. The miners are conducting themselves in a quiet and orderly manner. The wants of the hungry are being provided for, and patience is being exercised all around in the hope that all will yet come out right. The Miners’ Union have expended all their reserve funds amounting to nearly three hundred dollars in supplying bread to the families of miners who have not received their pay for several months back. The dispatches from the President from the Golden Chariot Company, received here on Saturday, announcing that a gentleman prominently connected with the corporation would arrive here this week with funds to pay the men, gave great satisfaction and produced a good feeling. At the present writing the money has not arrived. There is a feeling of hope, however that we shall not be subject to a fresh disappointment.

EXAGGERATED REPORTS – The most unpleasant feature of the condition of affairs in connection with the Golden Chariot mine, is the circulation of exaggerated reports everywhere in regard to the situation. It illustrates the truth of the old adage that “a lie will travel a hundred miles while truth is putting on his boots.” A gentleman who was over in the Basin at the time says that reports came there that the miners were cleaning out the stores here and helping themselves to whatever they wanted. In Winnemucca it was reported that “a mob of miners” had been committing various outrages and in San Francisco it was reported that the community there “was much distressed at the want of protection to property and life and that the prevalence of disorder prevented the raising of necessary funds.” All these statements are simply unwarranted by the facts and have no foundation in truth. We issued a bulletin from this office on Saturday stating that peace and order prevailed here up to that date. This condition of things still continues. Everything is quiet. Life and prosperity are and have been safe, and peace will continue unless there should be an attempt to perpetrate wrongs against those who have been hitherto imposed upon.

KEEP CLEAN – Our city has been unusually healthy thus far this summer and bids fair to remain so. The cool weather has contributed to this result. We are liable, however, to have intense heat before long and with a view to guarding against the possibility of sickness, such as we had here last summer, we advise a liberal use of disinfectants in localities where the cleansing process is needed. No harm can arise from this and it may do much good as a preventive. A little chloride of lime helps to keep the atmosphere pure and drive off disease.

SNOW – There is an abundance of snow on the surrounding hills. The sight is rather a refreshing one.



# Public notices

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Proposed Fee Increase – Solid Waste**

NOTICE IS HERE BY GIVEN That the Owyhee County Board of County Commissioners will conduct a public hearing in accordance with Idaho Code 63-1311A, for the purpose of taking public comment on the following proposed fee increase at the date and time listed below:

- Residential solid waste fees shall be increased by \$6.00 to the sum of \$50.00 per residence per annum.
- Commercial solid waste fee shall be increased by \$12.00 to the sum of \$100.00 per annum.
- For claimants approved under the Property Tax Relief Program administered under Title 63, Chapter 7 of the Idaho State Code, which is commonly referred to as the “Circuit Breaker Program,” the residential solid waste fee shall be increased \$3.00 to the sum of \$25.00 per annum.

The fee increases have become necessary because of increases in costs associated with solid waste removal.

**The public hearing will be held Monday July 25, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. at the Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2, Murphy, ID.**

At the conclusion of such hearing the Board may, after due consideration, either accept, reject or modify the proposed fee increase.

By order of the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners, dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.

Angela Barkell, Clerk of the Board, Owyhee County  
7/13,20/16

**NOTICE OF PENDING ISSUE OF TAX DEED**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, AS FOLLOWS: That a delinquent entry was entered as of January 1, 2011, in the records of the County Treasurer as Tax Collector of Owyhee County, State of Idaho, for the following properties:

**Parcel RP00820002002AA, Shagaye Dalton, 1003 12 Ave So, Nampa, ID 83651**

Property known as Lot 2 Block 2 Shari Hill Estates Phase 1 in section 9 2N 4W, Owyhee County, Idaho, and having a commonly referred to physical address of 6350 Shari Hill Way, Marsing, Idaho.

Tax: \$603.66  
Late Charge: \$12.08  
Interest: \$319.24  
Costs: \$144.38\*\*  
**TOTAL \$ 1079.36**

**Parcel RP0M0120350000A, Katherine E Pike, PO Box 999, Marsing, ID 83639**

Property known as E2E2SESW Less Tax 5 Section 35 2N 4W Owyhee County, Idaho, and commonly referred to as Pike Mobile Home Park.

Tax: \$1163.06  
Late Charge: \$ 23.26  
Interest: \$ 615.06  
Costs: \$144.38\*\*  
**TOTAL \$ 1945.76**

**Parcel RP02N04W356602A, Katherine E Pike, PO Box 999, Marsing, ID 83639**

Property known as Tax 5 Less Tax 13 Section 35 2N 4W, Owyhee County, Idaho

Tax: \$383.98  
Late Charge: \$7.68  
Interest: \$203.06  
Costs: \$144.38\*\*  
**TOTAL \$ 739.10**

\*\*Pursuant to Idaho Code §63-

1005 (3), amounts will increase as additional cost and fees in the tax deed process are added.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED**, that if said delinquent entry is not redeemed on or before July 18, 2016, by payment of said unpaid taxes together with late charge, interest and all unpaid costs and expenses up to the date of said payment at my office as Tax Collector, Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, ID, I shall thereupon, as required by law, make application to the Board of County Commissioners of Owyhee County, State of Idaho, for a hearing to be held on July 25, 2016, or as soon thereafter as said application can be heard at the **Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho**, for tax deed conveying the above described property to **OWYHEE COUNTY**, State of Idaho, absolute title, free of all encumbrances, except any lien for taxes which may have attached subsequently to the assessment hereinafter referred to. **YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED**, that the record owner or owners or any party of interest as defined by §63-1005, Idaho Code, may appear in person or by counsel, and if appearing, shall have adequate opportunity to be heard for the purpose of protesting the procedures used in taking this tax deed. **NO OTHER TYPE OF PROTEST WILL BE HEARD. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that inquiries and objections concerning this notice of the information contained therein shall be directed to the **OWYHEE COUNTY TREASURER** at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650; or by calling (208) 495-1158 no later than five (5) working days before the hearing date.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016

**Brenda Richards COUNTY TREASURER and EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO**  
6/22,29;7/6,13/16

**LEIN SALE**

Unit E-15 belonging to Crystal Norris, 2919 Collage Ave, Caldwell Idaho 83605, containing 2 tvs. TV hutch, tools, furniture.

Unit H-2 belonging to Victoria Sprague, PO Box 374, Homedale Idaho 83628, containing coffee table, couch, changing table, bunk beds, chest of drawers.

All items to be sold by sealed bit at the Hwy 95 Self Storage, 3685 Hwy 95, Homedale, Idaho 83628 on 07-23-2016, between the hours of 9:00 am and 1:00 pm. All sales are fine and cash only.  
7/13,20/16

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**

T.S. No. 033323-ID Parcel No.: RPB03000030050A NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE On 10/25/2016 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), at the OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOBBY, 20381 HIGHWAY 78, MURPHY, ID 83650, in the County of Owyhee, SYDNEY K. LEAVITT, ESQ., a member of the State Bar of Idaho, of ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: LOT 5 OF BLOCK 3 OF HIDDEN

HOLLOW SUBDIVISION, IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER, SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, BOISE MERIDIAN, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 405 LIVE OAK AVENUE, MARSING, ID 83639, is commonly associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by TAFFETA ENRICO, A MARRIED WOMAN, AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Grantor(s), to SUSAN J. ROBINSON, IDAHO ATTORNEY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC., SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR WMC MORTGAGE CORP., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 2/27/2006, recorded 3/1/2006, as Instrument No. 255388, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please note: The above named Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for the obligation. The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to make monthly payments when due from 5/1/2015 and all subsequent monthly payments thereafter, including installments of principal, interest, impounds, advances, plus any charges lawfully due under the note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust, Deed of Trust and as allowed under Idaho Law. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust as of 6/20/2016 is \$54,715.03 including interest, costs, fees, including trustee and/or attorney fees and costs, and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation thereunder or in this sale and to protect the security associated with the Deed of Trust, as authorized in the Note, Deed of Trust or as allowed under Idaho Law. Because interest, late charges, fees, costs and expenses continue to accrue, the total amount due varies from day to day. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after receipt of funds to satisfy the debt. For further information, write the Trustee at 4375 Jutland Drive, Ste. 200, San Diego, CA 92117, or call (866)931-0036 DATED: 6/20/16 SYDNEY K. LEAVITT, ESQ., a member of the State Bar of Idaho, of ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP  
7/6,13,20,27/16

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE**

At 11:00 o’clock A.M. (recognized local time) on October 13, 2016, at the Lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at, 20381 St Hwy 78, Murphy, ID, First American Title Company 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 Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 7 of Block 3 of BIG SKY ESTATES NO. ONE, part of Government Lot 4, Section 4, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed October 26, 1978 as Instrument No. 156593 in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2515. According to the Trustee’s records, the street address of 504 White Cloud Cir, Homedale, Idaho 83628 is sometimes associated with said property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Real Estate Deed of Trust for Idaho executed by, Rodney K Roberts and Beth C Roberts, husband and wife, as Grantor(s), Stewart Title of Idaho, Inc., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of, The United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, as Beneficiary; said Real Estate Deed of Trust for Idaho was recorded July 28, 1994 as Owyhee County Recorder’s Instrument No. 213341.

The default for which this sale is to be made is as follows: Failure to make the monthly payment of \$589.68 due for the 26th day of May, 2015 and a like sum of \$589.68 due for the 26th day of each and every month thereafter;

The above Grantor(s) 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. As of May 17, 2016 there is due and owing on the loan an unpaid principal balance of \$42,580.16, accrued interest in the amount of \$3,386.00, subsidy granted in the amount of \$7,432.56 and fees currently assessed in the amount of \$1,329.42 for a total amount due of \$54,728.14. Interest continues to accrue on the Note at the rate of 7.5% per annum with a per diem rate of \$8.99 after May 17, 2016. All delinquencies are now due together with any late charges, advances to protect the security, and fees and costs associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED June 8, 2016  
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY, INC., SUCCESSOR

TRUSTEE  
By: /s/ Kaitlin Ann Gotch, Trust Officer  
6/22,29;7/6,13/16

**NOTICE OF HEARING  
CASE NO. CV-2014-0390  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT OF  
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN  
AND FOR THE COUNTY OF  
OWYHEE**

In the Matter of the Estate of HARRY LEE MELTON, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Personal Representative of the above-named estate has filed her Petition for Order Approving Final Settlement and Distribution of the above-named estate, a copy of which is on file with the above-entitled Court. The estate consists of personal property together with real property located in Owyhee County, State of Idaho. Hearing upon said Petition will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2016, at 11:00 o’clock a.m., in the above-entitled Court, at which time objections to said Petition will be heard.

DATED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2016.

Karen Ranae Jolley, Personal Representative

By Frank W. Stoppello, Attorney for Personal Representative, 620 West Hays Street, Boise, Idaho 83702 Phone (208) 336-1020  
6/29;7/6,13/16

**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**

TO: Timothy Romaine, You have been sued by Charlene Romaine, the plaintiff, in the District Court in and for Owyhee County, Idaho, Case No. CV2016-947-H.

The nature of the claim against you is for Divorce.

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: 31 W Wyoming, Homedale, ID 83628 Phone 208-337-4540 and served a copy of your response on the other party, whose mailing address and telephone number are: PO Box 983, Marsing, ID 83639 / 208-509-9744

A copy of the Summons and Complaint/Motion can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the other party. If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

Date: June 2, 2016  
Owyhee County District Court, By: Cindy Chaves, Deputy Clerk  
6/29;7/6,13,20/16



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<b>Calvary Fellowship Homedale</b> Pastor Rich Wright 4220 E Pioneer Road  Church time is 10:00 am on Sunday & Wednesday at 7:00 pm (208) 880-4033	<b>Golden Gate Baptist Church Wilder</b> Pastor Robert Potter, Jr., CLP Corner of Second and "B" Streets Church time is 11:00 am on Sunday Call (208) 880-4308 for information	<b>Our Lady of Tears Church Silver City</b> Mass Summer Schedule 1pm June 19 • July 17 • August 14 • Sept. 11 <i>All invited to potluck after each mass in home of Dave Wilper</i> For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031
<b>Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale</b> Pastor Silverio Cardenas Jr. 132 W Owyhee • 337-5975 Servicios: Vier - 7pm - Oracion Mier - 7pm Predicacion Dom - 10am Esc. Dom y 6:30pm "Una Iglesia Diferente."	<b>Knight Community Church Grand View</b> Pastor Ivan Sheller 630 Idaho Street 208-834-2639 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service 10:45am	<b>Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder</b> Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 890-9132 Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm
<b>Assembly of God Church Homedale</b> 15 West Montana, 337-4458  Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm Wed. Children & Youth Ministries 7:00pm	<b>Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale</b> 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464  Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays  www.homedalefriends.org	<b>Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church Caldwell</b> 1122 W. Linden St. 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
<b>Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale</b> 337-4248 Sunday Services 10am Pastor Sean Rippey Adult and Children Sunday School 9-9:45am Visitors Always Welcome! Call Church for Prayer requests	<b>Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing</b> Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henriouille, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	<b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale</b> 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Mark Thatcher Bishop Robert T. Christensen Sunday 1st Ward 1pm Sunday 2nd Ward 9am
<b>Homedale Baptist Church Homedale</b> 212 S. 1st W. 739-5952 Sunday School 10am-11am Sunday Worship 11am-Noon Wednesday Evening 7pm	<b>Wilder Church of God Wilder</b> 205 A St. E, 649-7698 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	<b>Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Wilder-Homedale</b> 26515 Ustick Road 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm Children's Caravan Program
<b>MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY</b> Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español	<b>Iglesia Evangelica Wilder</b> 317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	<b>St. David's Episcopal Church</b> 1800 Arlington Ave. Caldwell, ID 83605  208-459-9261  stdavids@stdavidscaldwell.org www.stdavid.episcopalidaho.org
<b>Christian Church Homedale</b> 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	<b>Bible Missionary Church Homedale</b> West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	<b>Assembly of God Church Marsing</b> 139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
<b>Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing</b> Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm	<b>Nazarene Church Marsing</b> Pastor Bill O'Connor 649-5256 12 2nd Avenue West  Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	<b>Trinity Holiness Church Homedale</b> 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
<b>Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing</b> 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 1:00 p.m. Bishop Rowley Sunday 2nd Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop McIntyre	<b>Vision Community Church Marsing</b> 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-779-7926 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.	<b>United Methodist Church Wilder</b> <i>Exploring the Bible: Public Invited</i> 2nd & 4th Tuesday: 4-5pm Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. Pastor Dave Raines 208-880-8751 Sunday Service 9:30am
<b>First Presbyterian Church Homedale</b> 320 N. 6th W. Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am 208-473-9331	<b>Calvary Holiness Church - Wilder</b> Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave. • 208-989-0196 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. • Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday: 6:00 p.m. • Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.  Food Pantry hours • 208-989-0226 2nd & 3rd Friday of month 2pm-4pm 4th Friday of month 12-1pm	<b>Garnet Seventh-Day Adventist Church</b> 16613 Garnet Rd., Wilder 208-649-5280 Email: garnetSDA@icloud.com Worship 9:30am Sabbath School 10:45am Wednesday Bible Study 7:00-8 pm
<b>Iglesia Bautista Palabra de Esperanza Homedale</b>  711 W. Idaho, 463-9569 Pastor Jose Diaz Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am	<b>Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church - Oreana</b> 2016 Mass Schedule - the following Saturdays at 10:00am Jan. 23 - Feb. 27 - Mar. 19 - Apr. 23 - May 28 June 25 - July 16 BBQ - Aug. 27 - Sept. 24 - Oct. 22 - Nov. 26 - Dec. 17 All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031	<b>Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC</b> Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12- 2pm Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508

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**Local Entries: Call 337-3666 July 27th • 9am-1 pm (ONE DAY ONLY)**

**Includes the following events for Thurs, Fri., and Sat performances only: Mutton Busting \$10 (age 5-7/up to 55 lbs.)**

**Steer Riding \$23 (age 8-13 as of Jan 1st) • Wild Cow Milking \$28 per man (Saturday only) • Wild Horse Race \$33 per man (Friday only) • Local Team Roping \$23 per man (ropers must have an ACTRA #, team capped at 3½ HC, one roper must reside in Owyhee County or an Owyhee County school district, Jordan Valley or Adrian.)**

**For information: Rodeo Office - Jacky King 941-4522**

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