

New soccer coach ready for challenge

Avalanche Sports

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Trojans' Emry just warming up

Sophomore looks strong in followup to second place in 2006 3A state meet

In many regards, it's a shame that the Homedale High School track and field team has just one home meet this season.

Fans will have to wait until the April 24 Snake River Valley conference championships to watch the

Trojans christen their new all-weather track surface, complete with distinctive lane markings.

But the real crime might be that anyone wanting to see one of the best young high-jumpers in the state will have to hit the road to catch a glimpse

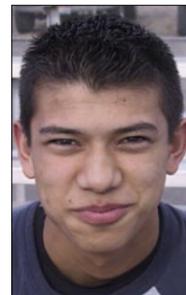
of sophomore Austin Emry.

Emry cleared 6 feet, 2 inches at the March 27 Weiser Invitational. He swept all three jumping events with impressive numbers.

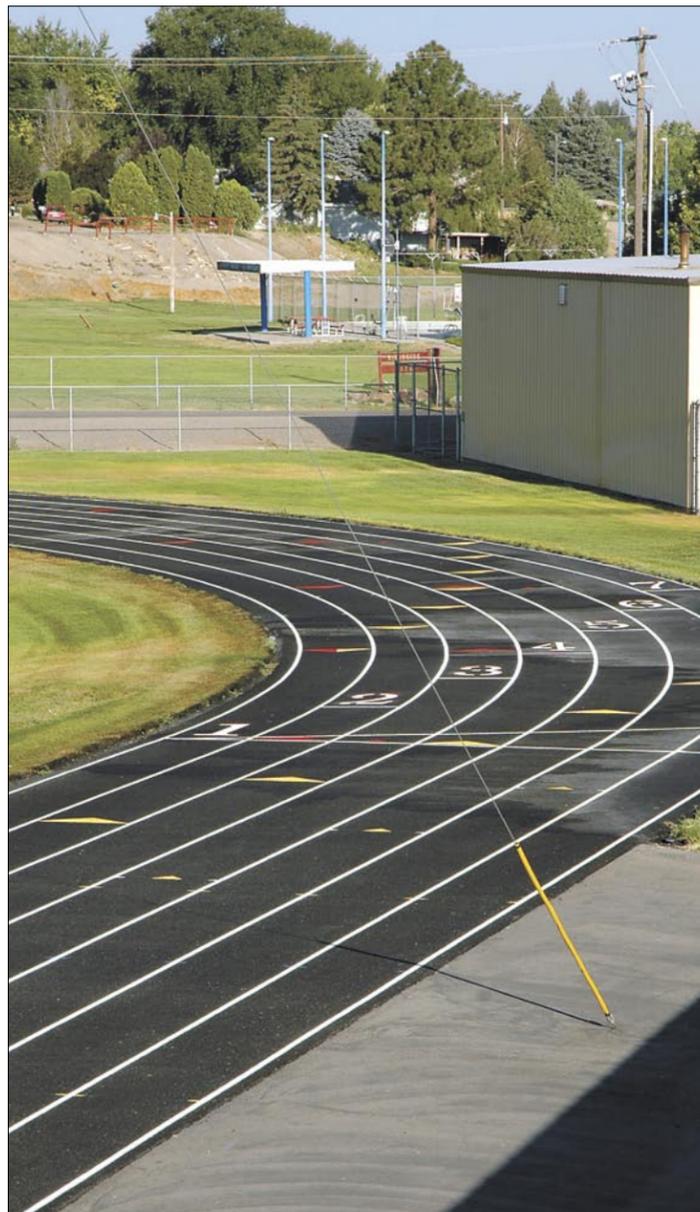
And, judging from last year's performance — in which he finished second in the state meet with a high jump of 6-0 — Emry probably is just getting started this season.

He logged some of the best mea-

surements of his career during a winning performance at Nampa Christian on March 15. Emry won the high jump with a personal-record 6-5, and soared to a 40-11 mark to capture the triple jump. According to Athletic.net, his best triple jump was a second-place showing of 41-7 in May at the Canyon Count Classic.



— See *Track*, page 2B Austin Emry



Homedale track ready for spotlight

Although the all-weather track at Homedale High School's Deward Bell Stadium has been refurbished since August, it has yet to be used in competition. Coach Thomas Thomas' Trojans track and field squad has practiced on the surface while traveling to meets throughout the Treasure Valley. The athletes from the Snake River Valley conference will descend on the track April 24 for the 2007 championship meet, the only event scheduled for the track this season. **Top:** This proclamation leaves no doubt whose territory the stadium is for fans in the main grandstand. **Above:** Distinctive markings illuminate the turn of the track that curves at the west end of the stadium. **Left:** Each lane on the track is numbered in a staggered manner.

Sports

√ Track: Trojans travel to Nyssa this week

From Page 1B

The sophomore's next action comes Friday in the Lions Invitational in Nyssa, Ore.

But Emry isn't alone on coach Thomas Thomas' boys team. Several Trojans pulled off top-five finishes as Homedale captured second place in the team competition at Weiser.

Emry's 6-2 performance in the high jump led a Homedale sweep of the top three spots. Junior Aus-



Sarah Black



Annamaria Salas

tin Ferguson was second at 6-0, and senior Matt Holloway cleared 5-10 for third.

Trojans captured three of the top four spots in the long jump. Emry won with an effort of 20-8, while senior David Liddell continued an impressive rookie season by finishing second with a jump that was 1 inch shorter than his teammate's winning leap. Senior Mark Vance was fourth at 19-9½.

Emry and Vance went 1-2 in



Thomas Thomas



David Liddell

the triple jump. Austin missed his personal best by two inches when he hit the 40-0 mark. Vance soared 39-4¾.

Liddell finished second in the 100 meters (11.19) and third in the 200 (23.66).

Freshman Jake Tolmie ran a 2:13 to nail down fourth in the 800, and he ran the opening 200-meter leg of the sprint medley relay as the Trojans finished fourth in 4:07.5.

Sophomore Tyler Gibson (200), Ferguson (400) and junior Eric Engum (800) also took part in the race.

More youngsters shined for the Homedale girls in Weiser, with triple-jumper Annamaria Salas grabbing the highest Trojans finish. The sophomore was third with a try of 31-5½.

Senior Sarah Black finished fourth in the pole vault (7-0), and freshman Kindra Galloway was sixth in the 100 (13.99).

Trojans' new coach ready to take next step

Stragey accepts first varsity head coach job with PRIDE in mind

Kirt Stragey has a strategy when it comes to the Homedale High School girls soccer team.

The Trojans' new coach is determined to pick up where the program's original coach, Lesa Folwell, left off — the drive for a junior varsity team and the creation of a developmental pipeline.

"I plan to build a program that is built on PRIDE as well as spark enough interest in the girls to have a junior varsity team and eventually have some form of involvement from the middle school girls," he said.

PRIDE is an acronym as well as an attitude for Stragey. It stands for Purpose, Respect, Improvement, Discipline, Excellence.

Athletes in the Homedale program have been purposeful in their drive to improve. Last year, Folwell's charges collected the first overall victory and the first Snake River Valley conference win in the program's three-year history.

"I expect within a season to have the girls use their potential and abilities to bring their team to a competitive level," Stragey said.

Stragey embarks on his first varsity head-coaching assignment. He was head coach at Pioneer Middle School in Wenatchee, Wash., for seven years.

His other coaching experience includes two years as a varsity assistant at Wenatchee High School and three years as the Panthers' top junior varsity coach.

Stragey also coached softball and basketball at the middle school level in Washington.

Stragey, who is an optician and general manager for a local America's Best Contacts and Eyeglasses franchise, and his wife moved to Boise five months ago. The coach said that making the

move further west to Homedale isn't out of the question.

"I am very excited to be working with the Homedale High School soccer program and the community involvement," he said. "Together, we should make a positive impact with the girls."

The coach seems to have the right mindset to take over a team that still is getting used to being on the winning side of a score.

"I believe that being a part of a team is a learning experience," Stragey said. "A player must learn to compromise, comfort, celebrate and work through victories and losses together with her teammates."

As far as on the field, Stragey's philosophy is similar to that of his predecessor. The bottom line for Folwell was you can't score if you don't have the ball, and Stragey said he coaches a possession style of play based on a traditional four-forward, four-midfielder and two-fullback set.

The theme of pride is more than an acronym for Stragey. It also defines what an athlete in his stable should project for her school and town.

He comes from a Wenatchee soccer program that consistently received Big Nine scholastic awards. The squad had the best grade-point average in its league at 3.70 the same year that the Panthers led the league in all-conference selections, he said.

"I feel there should be a desire to do her best on the field, but to also bring her best to school, home and the workplace," he said.

"The coach is there to lead the individuals to feel successful, and working together as a team can lead to the most incredible successes."

— JPB

Trojan Spring Sports

Softball

Varsity

Friday, April 6 at Payette, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10, home vs. Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

Friday, April 6, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.
Monday, April 9, home vs. New Plymouth, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10 at Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Track and Field

Monday, April 9, home vs. Parma (9 holes), River Bend Golf Course, Wilder, 3 p.m.

Baseball

Varsity

Friday, April 6 at Payette, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10, home vs. Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

Friday, April 6, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.
Monday, April 9, home vs. New Plymouth, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10 at Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Tennis

Tuesday, April 10 at Weiser, 4 p.m.

Golf

Friday, April 6 at Lions Invitational, Nyssa, Ore.
Tuesday, April 10 at Vale, Ore.

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C.J. Strike fishing report

According to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, trout fishing continues to be productive at C.J. Strike Reservoir near Grand View.

Idaho Power, the steward of the recreation area, recently planted 50,000 catchable rainbow trout in the lake. Many of the catches

have been reported near the dam, which is the release point. However, larger fish also are jumping on lines near the dam.

C.J. Strike perch fishing has slowed again, probably because of spawning activities.

But the bite hasn't totally disappeared.

Read all about it
in the Avalanche!

Sports

PREP SOFTBALL STATISTICS

Homedale Trojans

Batting	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	R	RBI	SB	Avg.
Johnson	5	19	7	0	0	0	8	4	8	.368
Corta	5	13	5	0	0	0	5	1	4	.385
Ambeau	5	11	5	1	1	0	5	3	1	.455
Rupp	5	16	3	1	0	0	5	2	3	.188
Aberasturi	5	13	5	1	0	0	1	1	5	.385
Bertagnolli	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	.000
Thomson	5	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	.000
Shanley	5	10	3	1	0	0	2	4	3	.300
Hall	4	10	5	0	0	0	3	1	1	.500
Stansell	4	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	.200
Krzesnik	5	13	4	0	0	0	6	2	2	.308
Eubanks	5	9	2	0	0	0	2	2	1	.222
Totals	5	127	40	4	1	0	39	21	30	.315

Pitching	G	GS	W	L	IP	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
Hall	3	3	2	1	19	13	14	12	14	5	4.42
Eubanks	2	2	1	1	12	12	12	8	3	5	4.67
Totals	5	5	3	2	31	25	26	20	17	10	4.52

Note — Does not include March 20 game vs. Marsing or March 22 game vs. Melba

Marsing Huskies

Batting	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	R	RBI	SB	Avg.
Chenoweth	3	6	2	0	0	0	1	2	3	.333
Elsberry	3	8	5	0	0	0	2	4	1	.625
Stafford	3	8	2	1	0	0	3	3	4	.250
Clausen	3	8	1	0	0	0	1	1	2	.125
Collet	3	10	5	2	1	0	3	7	3	.500
Beagley	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Villa	3	8	3	2	0	0	3	2	0	.375
Evans	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	.500
Daniel	3	6	2	0	0	0	1	2	2	.333
Rost	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	.000
Cobiskey	2	3	2	0	0	0	6	1	2	.667
Brewer	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Jackson	1	4	3	0	0	0	3	1	0	.750
Stahle	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Kinney	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Whitaker	1	3	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	.333
Marcial	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000
Totals	3	75	27	5	1	0	30	23	21	.360

Pitching	G	GS	W	L	IP	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
Collet	1	1	1	1	5	15	22	13	0	1	18.20
Totals	1	1	1	1	5	15	22	13	0	1	18.20

Note — Does not include complete statistics for March 12 game vs. Payette, March 13 game vs. Fruitland; pitching for March 19 doubleheader vs. Wilder, March 20 game vs. Homedale

PREP STANDINGS

Baseball

3A SRV	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Weiser	1	0	4	6
Fruitland	1	0	7	1
Homedale	0	0	3	5
McCall-Donnelly	0	1	0	1
Payette	0	1	6	6

This week's games

Today
Payette at Nampa Christian

Thursday
Weiser at Vale, Ore.

Friday
Homedale at Payette

Saturday
McCall-Donnelly at Weiser

Saturday
Minico vs. Fruitland (2), Treasure Valley CC, Ontario, Ore.

Monday
Payette at Marsing

Tuesday
Fruitland at Homedale

Weiser at Nyssa, Ore.

Last week's scores
Buck's Bags Tournament
At Capital H.S., Boise

Thursday
Fruitland 10, Skyview-Nampa 4

Non-conference

Tuesday, March 26

2A WIC	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Marsing	0	0	0	0
Melba	0	0	3	3
Nampa Christian	0	0	6	3
New Plymouth	0	0	1	2
Parma	0	0	0	4

This week's games

Today
Payette at Nampa Christian

Thursday
Marsing at Nampa Christian

Melba at Parma

Nyssa, Ore., at New Plymouth

Friday
Marsing at Rimrock (2)

Monday
Payette at Marsing

Tuesday
Marsing at Vale, Ore.

Nampa Christian at Melba

Nw Plymouth at Parma

Last week's score

1A WIC	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Rimrock	0	0	0	3

PREP BASEBALL STATISTICS

Homedale Trojans

Batting	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	R	RBI	SB	Avg.
Bittick	5	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.250
Brockett	5	12	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	.000
Cline	5	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000
Davis	5	19	10	2	0	0	2	6	5	.526
Garcia	4	11	5	1	1	0	6	2	0	.455
Graber	4	11	2	0	0	0	4	0	2	.182
Johnson	5	14	6	1	0	0	4	2	1	.429
Jolley	5	11	3	2	0	0	2	3	2	.273
Machuca	4	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Rangel	4	11	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	.182
Marrs	3	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	.500
Lie	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Villarrel	2	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	.333
Totals	5	122	33	6	1	0	23	14	12	.270

Pitching	G	GS	W	L	IP	H	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
Garcia	1	1	0	0	4 1/3	3	2	2	6	4	3.23
Rangel	1	0	0	1	2/3	2	5	3	1	1	31.50
Cline	1	0	0	0	0	3	3	3	0	0	Inf.
Johnson	3	3	1	2	13	11	16	8	5	15	4.31
Jolley	2	1	0	1	4 1/3	5	8	4	5	7	6.46
Machuca	3	0	0	0	7 2/3	6	3	1	5	4	0.91
Totals	5	5	1	4	30	30	37	21	22	31	4.90

Note — Does not include March 23 game vs. Joseph, Ore.; March 24 games vs. Orofino and Kellogg

This week's game

Friday
Marsing at Rimrock (2)

Last week's scores

No games played

Softball

3A SRV	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
McCall-Donnelly	1	0	5	3
Homedale	0	0	3	3
Payette	0	0	3	4
Weiser	0	0	2	2
Fruitland	0	1	2	5

This week's games

Thursday
Vale, Ore., at Weiser

Fruitland at New Plymouth

Friday
Homedale at Payette

McCall-Donnelly at Weiser

Saturday
New Plymouth at Weiser (2)

McCall-Donnelly at Horseshoe Bend (2)

Columbia-Nampa at Fruitland

Payette at Nyssa, Ore. (2)

Monday
Payette at Marsing

Nyssa, Ore., at Weiser

Tuesday
Fruitland at Homedale

Ontario, Ore., at Weiser

McCall-Donnelly at Payette

Last week's scores

No games played before press time

2A WIC	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Marsing	0	0	2	4
Melba	0	0	8	2
Nampa Christian	0	0	0	5
New Plymouth	0	0	4	4
Parma	0	0	3	3

This week's games

Thursday
Marsing at Nampa Christian

Melba at Parma

Fruitland at New Plymouth

Friday
Rimrock at Nampa Christian (2)

Vale, Ore., at Parma

Saturday
New Plymouth at Weiser (2)

Monday
Payette at Marsing

Tuesday
Nampa Christian at Melba

New Plymouth at Parma

Last week's scores

Mountain View Tournament
In Meridian
Saturday
Melba 11, Capital 6

This week's games

Thursday
Notus at Wilder

Horseshoe Bend at Council

Friday
Rimrock at Nampa Christian (2)

Saturday
McCall-Donnelly at Horseshoe Bend (2)

Tuesday
Rimrock at Notus

Wilder at Horseshoe Bend

Last week's scores

No games played before press time

2A District 6	League		All	
	W	L	W	L
Union	2	0	3	0
Adrian	0	0	3	1
Elgin	0	0	0	0
Enterprise	0	0	4	0
Pine Eagle	0	0	2	2
Wallowa	0	2	0	2

This week's games

Today
Enterprise at Wallowa (2)

Friday
Adrian at Elgin (2)

Pine Eagle at Enterprise (2)

Saturday
Adrian at Enterprise (2)

Wallowa at Pine Eagle (2)

Union at Elgin (2)

Last week's scores

Union Tournament
Saturday
Enterprise def. La Grande JV

Dayton at Union

Clatskanie at Union

Enterprise vs. Stanfield

Friday
Union 11, Pilot Rock 1 (6)

Enterprise 11, Pilot Rock 1 (5)

Enterprise def. Echo

Non-league
Saturday
Weston-McEwen at Elgin (2)

Find out
What's happening
Read Calendar each week
in the Avalanche

Marsing Huskies

Baseball

Varsity

Thursday, April 5 at Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.

Friday, April 6 at Rimrock, 4:30 p.m.

Monday, April 9, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 10 at Vale, Ore., 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

Thursday, April 5, home vs. Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 10, home vs. Vale, Ore., 5 p.m.

Softball

Thursday, April 5 at Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.

Monday, April 9, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.

Track & Field

Saturday, April 7 at Cole Valley Invitational, Horseshoe Bend.



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March 31, 1982

Bahem, Davis, Stanford to seek commissioner slots

Both county commissioners whose terms will be up next January plan to seek re-election.

Don Davis and Ernie Bahem each said recently they plan to file as a candidate for re-election.

Davis will be running for a four-year term and Bahem, a two year term.

Davis, a rancher from Bruneau, has been county commissioner of District three from 1965-1968, and again from 1971 to the present. He will run as a Democrat.

Bahem, also a rancher, lives at Flint Creek, east of Jordan Valley, and has served district one for four years. Bahem, a Republican, will be challenged by Jerry Stanford, also a rancher, and also a Republican.

Petitions for county and state offices must be filed between April 1 and April 7.

Jerry Stanford will challenge the incumbent in Owyhee County Commissioners District 1. He will be running on the Republican ticket against incumbent Ernie Bahem in the May primaries.

Stanford, who visited the Chronicle office Monday, said he feels the taxpayers came out short on the paving project in the Pleasant Valley area, and feels he can do a better job of management.

"One thing I will promise," Stanford said, "is to keep the public informed of what the county is doing."

Stanford, a rancher on Cow Creek, is married and has five sons, ages 17 to five.

HS rodeo at Homedale this Saturday

A District II qualifying High School rodeo will be held at the Homedale Fairgrounds arena this Saturday, April 3, beginning at 12 noon. It will include the girls' five standard events — pole bending, barrel racing, goat typing, bareback riding, calf roping and a mixed team roping event in which both girls and boys may participate.

The boys' events will be — saddle bronc, bareback riding, bull riding, steer wrestling, calf roping and the mixed team roping event.

This is the third District II qualifying high school rodeo to be held this year but the first to be sponsored by the Idaho Girls Rodeo Association. The two prior were held in Kuna. All Around buckles will be awarded and those qualifying with enough points from the District rodeos will go on to compete in the State or National finals.

There will be an admission charge of \$1.50 for adults, 50 cents for 12 and under with under 6 admitted free. Concessions will be served.

July 4th celebration being planned at Homedale

A demolition derby will highlight the July 4th celebration at Homedale this year, according to Fred Sarceda, spokesman for the Homedale Lions Club.

Sarceda met with the Homedale Chamber of Commerce last Tuesday, and said the recently reorganized Lions Club plans the auto racing event at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds. The Fair board has approved the event, he said.

Sarceda asked the Chamber and other organizations to help with the Independence Day celebration. "We're hoping to help the Jaycees purchase fireworks," he said. Other plans include food booths, refreshments stands and kids and adults games. He suggested the Chamber consider sponsoring "Anything Goes," as it did a few years back.

"We want this to be a community-wide effort," he said.

Last year was the first year Homedale Jaycees did not sponsor a fireworks display. The lack of funds in the club was the reason the night-time display was curtailed.

Chamber members voted to help with the effort, and Sarceda was asked to contact Hal Tolmie, the Chamber's chairman of the Fourth of July events.

In other business the Chamber discussed a city-wide retail promotion, suggesting sidewalk sales, "crazy days," and other possibilities. No action was taken.

50 years ago

April 4, 1957

No filings made for city offices

As of today, no filing has been made for the offices of mayor and two councilmen, one for the first ward and one for the second, according to Bertha Ehrhart, city clerk.

The deadline for filing is next Thursday, April 11, and residents have until April 20 to register. Election will be held April 23.

The Chronicle has learned that among the petitions circulating is one for Joe Eiguren for mayor.

Grand View Lions complete drain ditch installation

The Grand View Lions club completed the installation of a drain ditch last week, for drainage of west areas on the high school ball diamond and other areas on the west side of town.

Pete Pollard, chairman of the civic improvement committee, reported that the Lions received assistance from various individuals and groups. Wallace Hart, dragline operator from Emmett, donated the use of his equipment and time to the club for this project. Mr. Pollard stated that the total valuation of the job was \$1,080.00 with the major portion of which being donated by Mr. Hart.

The Lions club obtained contributions from other parties and the remainder of the cost was made up out of club funds. Those members working on the drainage project as committee members in addition to Mr. Pollard were Ed Woodall, John Richard and Buzz Spang.

Resignation of supt. Chas. Zollinger announced

Supt. Charles Zollinger submitted his resignation effective June 30, 1957. He expressed himself as enjoying his stay in Homedale and that he gained valuable experience toward his future plans. Mr. Zollinger also stated that his immediate plans were indefinite.

The board accepted the resignation and expressed their sincere appreciation for all his efforts to hold the standards high for the system of both the instructional personnel and plant facilities. They also wish to thank Mr. Zollinger for his zeal and hard work in beautifying the school grounds.

We all offer our thanks and wish for Chuck and his family success and happiness in the future.

Mrs. June Briggs submitted her resignation effective Friday, April 5. Mrs. Briggs plans to be with her husband who is serving in the armed forces and scheduled to go overseas soon.

Francis Echeverria will take Mrs. Briggs class for the remainder of the year.

The board wishes to thank Mrs. Briggs for her splendid efforts and wish her lots of luck.

Mrs. Edwena Regan was offered a contract for year 1957-58 as junior high girls PE instructor and will also handle classes as scheduled.

The board reviewed the budget as proposed for 1957-58, which again reminded them that we have a serious problem facing us. Our school system is growing population-wise and our district calculation standing still. To maintain our school standards and give our boys and girls the chance for good basic education is going to call on some serious thinking and consideration by all the public.

Several proposals were considered, and we will keep the patrons informed and hope for the highest level of cooperation possible from everyone. Allen C. George, Chairman of the Board.

Trojans defeat Middleton 9-0

The Homedale Trojans baseball team got off to a flying start for the season as they downed the Middleton Vikings 9-0 at Homedale Tuesday. Kris Inouye, Homedale pitcher, allowed the Vikings only five hits, while Swaine Hibbs, right fielder, connected with three hits to pace the Trojans. Middleton also made five errors and the Trojans committed no bobbles.

Batteries: Homedale — Inouye and Parker; Middleton — Skidmore, Sites, Bulen and Calhoun.

140 years ago

March 30, 1867

HUNGRY and thirsty citizens and wayfarers are requested to read the "Notice" in our advertising columns of the New State Hotel and Poorman Saloon in Ruby City. Mr. Hult is prepared to furnish excellent meals and regular board and most excellent lodgings; and "Pete" of the Poorman Saloon has tiptop liquors and wines and a neat and orderly place to drink them. Conveniences for quiet games of "pitch," crib, whist, etc.

THE SITUATION. The recent Indian murders and thefts have given rise to much talk as to what ought to be done. In all troublous times, every man will have an opinion on the subject. Gen'l Crook's understanding and efforts on the matter are probably as nearly correct as those of any man. Detached bands of savages are liable at any time to make cross raids in spite of the best disposition of troops and the utmost vigilance, as long as any red men are left. There is no doubt but the severity of the winter has retarded operations to a much greater extent than could have been anticipated. If a large band could be found and cleaned out in the vicinity of the Malheur retreats, it would most favorably affect the safety of this community, and that object has been tried to be gained with praise worthy vigor.

Troops have not been idle. Movements have been rapid and advantageous. When the news reached Fort Boise road, a detachment of twenty-three men were started with ten days rations, and in less than twenty-four hours had reached the scene of the depredations — a distance of about fifty miles. There is not lack of activity and forcible direction among the troops in this Department. While buck Indians remain at large, atrocities will be committed. It is understood that three more companies will be sent to Idaho for duty. The recent murderous raid is not so much a sign of increased hostilities as those of one year ago when a hundred instead of a dozen perpetrated thefts and murders.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS meet in regular session next Monday. We are informed that bids for feeding, nursing and generally caring for the indigent sick will be considered if offered. The old methods of letting this, that and the other person give them a haphazard care, and present bills lacking uniformity for such service, must of course give the Commissioners much vexatious labor, and in a majority of instances their decision will be unsatisfactory to the claimants. The bid system, if adopted, would at once fix the cost for a certain period; and the system is less liable to abuses than any other where the County Physician has a stated salary, for he would not likely give attendance and medicines to any person not in actual need of them. It would be against his interest to countenance giving public care to any one whose financial or physical ability is sufficient for self-support. The bid system ought to be adopted with all prudent guards against abuse of it.

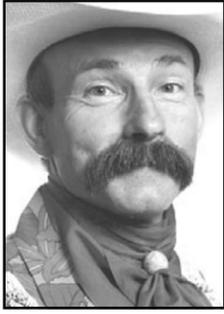
WE HAVE VERBAL reports that twenty-two head of cattle were stolen from Mr. Ray, on Reynolds Creek, last Monday evening; also, that a cow of his had been killed on Saturday evening not far from his ranch.

Indians and signs of them had been seen some days previous to the attack on the stage on Monday. The driver was admonished to keep a sharp lookout, but like Mr. Bouchet who received a similar warning before leaving Ray's Ranch, did not give it serious attention.

Travelers are too negligent in their journeying. Many go without fire-arms, and some who do carry them have them stowed away in trunk or carpet-bag. A good Colt's revolver or Henry rifle well used might often save a life and if carried in full view sometimes prevent attacks. Past omissions to do so and escapes at the same time should not create feeling of security in future trips.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

Sheep and goats

Scientists at Oregon State University have been searching for physiological factors that might explain why, according to them, about 8 percent of rams seek sex exclusively with other rams instead of ewes.

To the scientists' surprise the animal rights activists and gay advocates have led a protest to halt the research. Their logic being that the scientists might find something to "cure" the homosexual rams that could be applied to other species.

A minefield of observations can be made by the politically correct such as:

- The less we know, the better.
- Who cares?
- How do the ewes feel about it?
- Should the remaining 92 percent of rams get a raise in hay?
- How did the scientists figure out it was 8 percent in the first place?

Steve, an urban fellow moved to the country, may have some insight into the issue. Several years ago, he was given a goat. It was the first "farm animal" on Steve's farm. It had horns so they thought it was a male, but later realized that the beast had no "package" dangling from the backside, so they named her Georgina.

Georgina became a pet, but Steve dreamed someday of her having kids. As if by pre-design, an acquaintance offered him a male goat. Steve was thrilled, and it was free! Steve picked up the goat in his old Volkswagen bus. The goat, Hercules by name, was a full-grown billy with a massive set of horns and cojones. He thoroughly marked the bus as his territory on the way home.

Once in the pasture, Hercules marked every fence post, panel, gate, water trough, branch, salt block and feeder with his sinus-rattling, eye-watering, permanently staining billy goat urine fragrance. He also relentlessly pursued Georgina, to no avail.

Steve watched and after several days of watching her play hard-to-get, he decided enough is enough. He went out and held Georgina by the horns. Hercules had a go at her. Steve could not see, but assumed the job was done.

Several weeks later, a lady came by to pick up a puppy from a litter Steve was selling. When she came by, he realized she was a veterinarian. He asked if she would look at Georgina, to see how long before she would kid. The DVM complimented him on his little farm, and what he had done with his goat operation. Steve was feeling pleased with himself so he didn't hear what she said after she examined Georgina. She repeated it. "This goat is not a female ... it's a wether."

Steve glanced over at Hercules, who had been watching it all from the feed bunk. His look, the goat's, that is, could best be described as inscrutable.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... but possibly of interest

The burden of importance

Nowadays, just about any business you can name claims customer service is its No. 1 priority. For instance, the other day I called our bank to ask a question. A recorded voice told me I was "very important" to the bank, then offered me about a half a dozen options to connect to other prerecorded voices who also told me I was important. But none of the prerecorded voices gave me an option to connect with a real person who could answer my question.

Recently, I had problems with a new printer at the office. I read the manual that came with the printer, tried all the troubleshooting tips the manual offered, but the printer still wouldn't print. Finally, I e-mailed the manufacturer's tech support. I sent them a detailed account of what the printer was doing and the steps (from the manual) I had taken to try to fix the problem. When I sent the message, I immediately got back one of those automated replies from the company telling me that my problem was "very important" to them and a technician would contact me.

The next day, I got an e-mail from a tech support person. Mamud (he obviously wasn't from this part of the world) said my message was very important to him, too. He said he had analyzed my problem, and I needed to follow the steps in the printer manual to get it running again. So I sent Mamud a reply pointing out I already had told him I had done those steps and they didn't work. Then I got a message

saying although I was very important to the company, responses to messages from tech support personnel were not allowed. They said if I needed additional help I should go back to their tech support Web page and start all over again.

About a week later, the printer company sent me another e-mail. It was a questionnaire asking me how I would rate their tech support. It started out by saying my input is very important to the company. So I gave them some input. I told them the help I had received was garbage and a waste of my time.

A few more days passed. Then I got another e-mail from Mamud. He seemed a little irritated but did say my unsolved problem was very important to him and the company. He said if his earlier technical advice didn't fix the problem I should buy a new printer.

If I could have responded to Mamud's message (as with the first message, responses weren't allowed), I would have told him that I am happy that I am so important to the printer company. And I would have said because I feel so important I am confident that they will honor my suggestion and pitch their automated responses and their alleged "tech support" in the Ganges River.

I sure feel sorry for customers who aren't very important.



From Washington FY '08 budget creates perilous ripples

by Sen. Mike Crapo

All you need in this life is ignorance and confidence; then success is sure.

— Mark Twain

Last week, Mark Twain's words rang true in Congress. The confidence with which the majority of the U.S. Senate passed its Fiscal Year 2008 budget resolution corresponds directly with the level of ignorance as to the hard facts of revenue, spending reduction and tax relief that we've seen over the past four or five years. Without a wake-up call in conference committee debate, this "success" will result in abject fiscal failure for the federal government and for American families.

As a member of the Senate Budget Committee, I was dismayed to see the destruction of years of hard work that created five consecutive years of economic growth and more than 7 million new jobs, increased federal revenues by nearly \$300 billion over non-partisan estimates by both the Bush administration and Congress, and will result in a projected budget deficit this year equal to 1.6 percent of Gross Domestic Product as compared to 3.6 percent in 2004. The reality of spending increases will inspire significant and severe economic burdens down the road. This budget is not good for Idaho or America.

The FY 2008 Senate Budget Resolution authorizes a massive tax increase to cover \$150 billion in new spending and \$2.2 trillion in new debt over the next five years. Tax increases include no long-term fix for the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT). The Congressional Budget Office estimates that it soon will be less expensive to repeal the regular income tax than the AMT. In three short years, tax rates on investments (mutual funds, maybe even 529 college savings plans) that middle-class families have made will skyrocket — not good news when tax time approaches,

not to mention an utter disincentive to invest hard-earned money. Come tax season in four years, a family of four earning \$50,000 will experience a 132 percent tax increase — a liability of more than \$3,600. Low-income taxpayers will pay 33 percent more, the child tax credit will be cut in half, married couples will be penalized and 15 million senior citizens will see taxes increase. All of this, incidentally, will coincide with fiscally unmanageable entitlement programs:

The budget resolution contains no mechanism whatsoever to control entitlement (Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security) spending. When we face the reality that in 10 years entitlement spending will consume nearly 70 percent of the federal budget, ignoring it today is nothing short of astonishing.

When you look beyond the next 10 years, the fiscal picture worsens. Government estimates show that we promise our children and grandchildren \$32 trillion in Medicare spending over the next 75 years with no payment mechanism. In his budget request, President Bush proposed a modest \$70 billion reduction in the growth of Medicare. This modest

reduction, which would affect only the wealthiest 5 percent of beneficiaries, actually would remove \$8 trillion of this \$32 trillion unfunded liability. Unfortunately, Senate leadership chose not to include provisions that would even pay off one dollar now of this astronomical future debt. One might call this the "Wimpy approach." Fans of Popeye know that his friend, Wimpy, goes through life saying, "I will gladly pay you Tuesday for a hamburger today." Unfortunately, this Congress has chosen to continue eating hamburgers today, while leaving a \$32 trillion (that's one thousand billion 32 times) tab to be picked up by future generations on future Tuesdays.

I'm reminded of something Laurence J. Peter, author and educator, once observed: "Against logic there is no armor like ignorance." Congress arms itself with ignorance at our nation's financial peril.

— Mike Crapo is a Republican U.S. senator from Idaho.



Sen. Mike Crapo

Commentary

Owyhee Initiative

A new tradition of cooperation dawns in the West

by Dick Freund and Jerry Hoagland

We were on Capitol Hill recently, meeting with members of Congress about the Owyhee Initiative. One of our aims was to explain what this public land management reform effort shows about how things can get done in the West today. We pointed out that westerners have a long tradition of meeting and overcoming challenges. In the old west, arguments were sometimes settled quickly, by the person with the faster draw. Over time, gunfights gave way to lawsuits. The competing sides in disputes over recreation, range management or wilderness stood their ground and fought hard, but flying bullets were replaced by tense words and often thoughtless commentary with neither side willing to give an inch. For all of the heat generated, those decades of confrontation got us nothing but stalemate or deep divisiveness, because for one side to win, the other side had to lose.

In our complex society, we manage to progress only because of the genius of the Founders who designed an American political system that is not about declaring winner-take-all, but about working out reasonable accommodations. We went to Washington, D.C., to explain how our predecessors on the Owyhee County Commission invited ranchers, conservationists, local Tribal representatives, motorized interests, as well as other interested parties, to see if we couldn't find a better way, to resolve the tough resource issues gripping our once nearly empty corner of Idaho.

We once believed we were so rural that we would simply be ignored by the growth that has come to every attractive



Dick Freund



Jerry Hoagland

city and small town in the West. We were wrong. Others, with a federal judge in their pocket, attempted to dictate how the federal lands in our county were to be used. In short, it looked like we were in for more ugly shootouts-by-lawsuits.

Instead, the county commissioners brought together the various stakeholders. That was in 2001. Now, after thousands of hours of meetings, we have forged an agreement that, while it does not award an out-and-out win to any side, offers important concessions to each.

Recently Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) put "the plan" before the new Congress in the form of legislation. This is not the end of the story. These diverse groups will continue to meet to fine-tune the plan. Congress and its

expert committees will add their own ideas. Other groups who were not at the table will want to have their say. It will be interesting to see which of these groups will choose to engage in the conversation with Congress, and which just decide file a lawsuit.

In some ways, the best outcome is that we've all holstered our six guns. The parties involved have learned to be a lot more respectful in how we treat each other. Sure, there are folks who still find fault with our plan. There will always be those at the extremes of both the right and the left who can never be satisfied, but the combined efforts of those engaged in the process will lessen their vitriolic impact.

We believe the Owyhee Initiative will be good for Owyhee County. Good for families here now and their kids in the future. Good for our economy, providing certainty and helping to sustain a way of life treasured by our constituents. Good for the land, helping connect and protect wilderness areas and wild rivers. And good for hunters, river-runners, responsible off-road vehicle users and other recreational visitors. Old and new westerners are finding better ways to solve problems. It is all about people who care enough about our land and resources to sit down in good faith, air our differences and look for common ground.

We don't always agree but we can disagree and still be friends because ultimately we all want to get from here, to there, without a gunfight.

— Dick Freund and Jerry Hoagland were both elected as Owyhee County commissioners in 2006. For more information about the Owyhee Initiative, visit www.owyheeinitiative.org.

Governor's desk

Water summit begins much-needed process

by Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter

It's no secret to anyone who spends more than five minutes with me that water is one of my favorite topics.

Probably more than a few of you have heard me talk about the fact that our space program sends probes halfway to God, and the first thing we look for is water. And few people here on Earth know more about its importance than Idahoans. Our economy and our way of life depend entirely on its management, protection and wise use.

Stakes that high make it natural that so much attention is focusing on the Water Summit I proposed during the campaign. The Idaho Supreme Court's March 5 ruling that the state has authority to manage ground water and surface water as a single resource cleared the way for that summit to occur.

The Idaho Department of Water Resources and my staff have been working hard the past few weeks to put the summit together. I'm happy to announce that it will occur April 17 in Burley, and that a list of principal and



Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter

supporting participants in the negotiations is on its way to completion. I will be personally involved and will do my best to ensure the summit is a success.

However, that begs the question of how success should be measured.

It is critically important that the summit not be seen as an end in itself, but rather as an important starting point to a continuing process. The results of the April 17 meeting may not seem dramatic to the public, but the fact that so many diverse interests share a commitment to finding solutions is itself groundbreaking.

Many of the issues involved in managing Idaho's limited and precious water resources have been debated and

litigated for decades. I am more realistic than to believe they can be resolved in a single day. However, I will make it clear to the participants and the public that we cannot go forward with the status quo.

Whatever solutions eventually are reached likely will not please everyone involved. But what I seek is public policies that work. In my view, understanding and accepting that premise will go a long way toward success.

You might say April 17 will be a watershed day in the history of Idaho water policy.

I am very hopeful, but more importantly I am determined, and committed to reaching both near-term and long-range solutions.

As Winston Churchill said in November 1942 after the British defeated the German Afrika Corps in Egypt, "This is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning."

— C.L. "Butch" Otter is the 32nd governor of the state of Idaho.

Letters to the editor policy

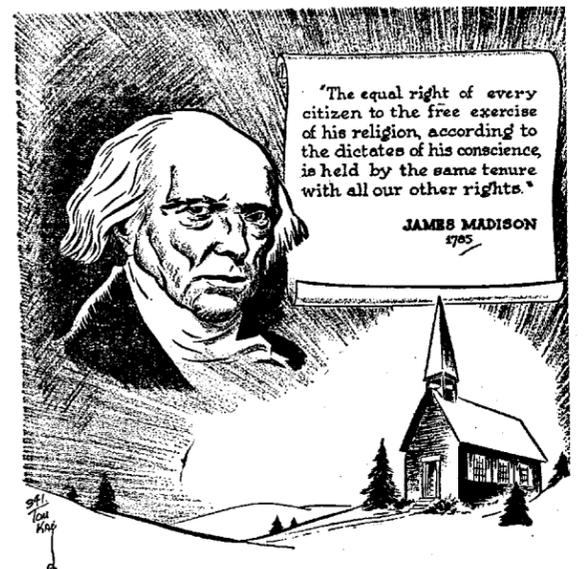
The Owyhee Avalanche welcomes letters to the editor.

Our policy is that locally written letters receive priority. We do not publish mass-produced letters. The length must be limited to 300 words; the letters must be signed and include the writer's address and a daytime phone number where the writer can be reached for verification.

Letters can be e-mailed to owyheeavalanche@cableone.net or faxed to (208) 337-4867 or mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628.

The deadline for submitting letters to the editor is noon on Friday. For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

The Owyhee Avalanche



Public notices

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES MARCH 19, 2007 OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioner's Freund, Tolmie and Hoagland, Deputy Evans, Treasurer Richards, Assessor Endicott, Sheriff Aman, Fred Grant and Jim Desmond.

The Board amended the agenda to include the following items: Bid on replacing concrete for Armory, letter regarding West Nile Virus, and hiring of Fred and Stacy Grant.

The Board approved a letter to be sent to an employee regarding a decision made by Idaho Industrial Commission.

The Board approved a letter to Dr. Noak asking him to head up the West Nile Project.

The Board approved a representative agreement with Kenn Hurt.

The Board met as the Board of Equalization. There was no business.

The Board approved payment of outstanding bills to be paid from the following funds:

Current Expense 61,294, Road & Bridge 12,884, District Court 299, Probation 42, Health District 4,143, Historical Society & Museum 280, Indigent & Charity 5,747, Jr. College 5,050, Pest 1,815, Solid Waste 35, Tort 40,447.

The Board took the following action on pending Indigent & Charity cases:

07-13 a lien was approved on applicant

98-19 findings were approved
07-09 applicant was approved
07-11 applicant was approved
07-10 applicant was denied pursuant to IC 31-3502 (17)

Bill Larsen with Treasure Valley Partners discussed pending issues.

The Board approved the lease purchase agreement with Ford Credit for 3 vehicles in the amount of \$76,043 for the Sheriff.

The Board had a coordination meeting with the Boise District BLM.

The Board went into executive session on a personnel matter.

The Board approved the hiring of Fred and Stacy Grant to do investigation for the Board.

The Board approved Nate Armenta to tear up the carpet, and replace the concrete in the Armory. The approved amount is \$4,800.

The complete minutes can be viewed in the Clerk's office.

/s/ Richard Freund
Attest: /s/Charlotte Sherburn
4/4/07

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

LEGAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT on April 9, 2007 at 7:00 pm, Marsing Planning and Zoning will hold a public hearing at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing, ID.

The purpose of the hearing is a special use permit request from the Marsing LDS Church for an extension of the existing parking lot. The property is located at Lot 15-18, Block 1 Volkmer-Motzko First Addition, also known as 231 3rd Ave. West and 243 3rd Ave. West. They will remove the abandoned existing houses and construct a parking lot with curb, gutters, sidewalks, and lighting.

All interested individuals are invited to attend or send in written comments by April 4, 2007 to City of Marsing, PO Box 125.

Christy Martinat
Planning & Zoning Secretary
3/28;4/4/07

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

LEGAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT on April 9, 2007 at 6:00 pm, Marsing Planning and Zoning will hold a public hearing at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing, ID.

The purpose of the hearing is a special use permit request from the Lizard Butte Public Library to build a new library. The property is located at Block 1, N 1/2 of lot 9 and lots 10 & 11, Ervin Addition, also known as 111 3rd Ave. West.

All interested individuals are invited to attend or send in written comments by April 4, 2007 to City of Marsing, PO Box 125.

Christy Martinat
Planning & Zoning Secretary
3/28;4/4/07

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That on Wednesday, the 11th day of April, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., Marsing City Council will hold a public hearing at Marsing City Hall, 425 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho.

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss and review the Wastewater Planning Grant and the associated scope of work.

All interested individuals are invited to attend.

Janice C. Bicandi
City clerk-Treasurer
3/28;4/4/07

APRIL 1, 2007- 2ND QUARTER TO: CITY OF MARSING RESIDENTS FROM: CITY OF MARSING RE: WATER QUALITY IN THE CITY

Dear City of Marsing Resident,

Effective January 26, 2006, the US Environmental Protection Agency reduced the drinking water standard for arsenic from 50 parts per billion (ppb) to 10 ppb. One well supplying water to the City of Marsing, Well #3, has an arsenic concentration of 11 ppb, which exceeds the Maximum Contaminant Level set forth by the EPA. The City of Marsing is required to provide quarterly public notice of this exceedence. You will continue to receive this notice every quarter until such time as the City is notified by IDEQ the notice is no longer required.

Artenic is a naturally occurring element thought to enter the water source from contact with natural rock formations. Arsenic can cause adverse health effects, including cardiovascular disease, diabetes mellitus, skin changes, nervous system damage, and various forms of cancer.

The City of Marsing is taking action to remove the well as a source of water for the water system. As you may be aware, the City is in the process of upgrading the municipal water system, and a new well to serve the system, and replace Well #3, will be first item completed for water system upgrade project.
4/4/07

**ATTENTION:
RESIDENTS OF GRAND VIEW
IMPORTANT
INFORMATION ABOUT
YOUR DRINKING WATER:**

SUMMARY STATEMENT REVISED 2006 - 2007 SCHOOL BUDGET								
MARSING JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363								
	GENERAL M & O FUND				ALL OTHER FUNDS			
	Prior Yr Actual 04-05	Prior Yr Actual 05-06	Current Budget 06-07	Revised Budget 06-07	Prior Yr Actual 04-05	Prior Yr Actual 05-06	Current Budget 06-07	Revised Budget 06-07
REVENUES								
BEG. BAL.	413,962	432,687	412,654	486,560	780,791	759,316	567,504	677,700
LOCAL REVENUES	605,692	647,732	593,488	180,523	506,439	646,068	711,102	782,210
STATE REVENUES	3,671,554	3,784,266	3,930,788	4,227,627	91,490	100,705	133,072	112,933
FED. REVENUES	15,935	15,559	12,000	19,049	657,697	862,891	749,573	755,382
OTHER REVENUES	0				45,367	0		
TRANSFERS	0		133,806	131,800	96,447	86,249	265,597	209,549
TOTAL BEG. BAL	4,707,143	4,880,244	5,082,736	5,045,559	2,178,231	2,455,229	2,426,848	2,537,774
AND REVENUES								
EXPENDITURES								
SALARIES	2,559,954	2,648,345	2,709,237	2,732,796	456,914	550,119	552,391	525,339
BENEFITS	757,129	791,861	812,268	805,972	106,606	120,201	120,270	117,102
PRCH SERVICE	739,024	778,991	825,848	827,708	135,233	186,356	150,124	194,239
MATERIALS/SUPP.	201,410	226,860	190,717	190,768	216,450	222,384	190,366	194,730
CAPITAL OUTLAY	43,673	56,689	13,500	13,198	460,169	422,423	140,579	129,407
INSURANCE	44,379	44,108	50,569	50,568	177	303	104	104
DEBT SERVICE	0	0	0	0	786,949	953,443	1,052,008	1,187,852
TRANSFERS OUT	96,447	86,249	265,597	209,549	0		133,806	131,800
CONTINGENCY RES.	214,659	215,000	215,000	215,000	0		87,194	57,200
ENDING BALANCES	50,468	32,141			15,733	0	6	1
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,707,143	4,880,244	5,082,736	5,045,559	2,178,231	2,455,229	2,426,848	2,537,774

A copy of the School District Budget is available for public inspection in the District's Admin. Office.

NOTICE OF AMENDED 2006-2007 BUDGET HEARING MARSING JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #363 OWYHEE AND CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Marsing Joint School District No.363, Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho, will be held on April 10, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the District Office Board Room, at which meeting there shall be a public hearing on the amended maintenance and operation budget for this current school year. A copy of the proposed amended budget, as determined by the Board of Trustees, is available for public inspection at the School District Office at Highway 78, Marsing, Idaho, between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm from the date of this notice until the date of the hearing. This revised budget hearing is called pursuant to Section 33-801, Idaho Code as amended.

Deborah Holzhey, Clerk,
Marsing Joint School District No.363
Owyhee and Canyon Counties, Idaho
4/4/07

Effective January 1, 2006 the US Environmental Protection Agency reduced the drinking water standard for Arsenic from 50 parts per billion (ppb) to 10 ppb. The two Well's supplying water to the City of Grand View and/or Grand View Water & Sewer Association, Inc. was tested on February 14, 2007 and has an Arsenic concentration of 0.01 ppb, which is at the 10 ppb

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) set forth by the EPA. This is considered to be at the exact level of the federal drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, you have a right to know what is happening, what you should do and what your water company is doing to continue to keep in compliance. The City of Grand View and/or Grand View Water & Sewer Association, Inc. are still required to provide quarterly public notice of this excess EPA standard Arsenic level. Until such time as Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) notifies the City that this notice is no longer required you will continue to receive this notice quarterly.

What happened? Arsenic is a natural deposit occurring element thought to enter the water source from contact with natural rock formations.

What health effects? Arsenic can cause adverse health effects, including cardiovascular disease, diabetes mellitus, skin changes, nervous system damage, and various forms of cancer.

What is being done? The City of Grand View and/or Grand View Water and Sewer Association, Inc. is taking action with City and/or W/S Engineering Firm - Holladay Engineering Co. with an engineering study. A Draft for a plant removing the arsenic from the City Well's has been presented to the City of Grand View, Grand View Water

& Sewer Board, and DEQ. DEQ has reviewed this Draft and have sent a response letter. Public Works Supervisor - Robert L. Servis, Holladay Engineering Co., - Andy Gehrke and City Clerk - Helana Race have gathered the requested information and mailed it to DEQ. The next step will be a Public Hearing. Planning Grants have been applied for and two accepted. These monies will be received soon. The City of Grand View and the Grand View Water & Sewer Board agreed to work with USDA-RD Representative David Flesher for loans and grants to pay for this project.

What should I do? It will be each citizen's choice to use alternative drinking water (e.g., bottled) or drink City of Grand View water. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your Doctor.

For more information, please contact Grand View City Hall - Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday from 8:00am to 5:00pm, lunch 12:30 to 1:30 - Closed all major holidays or call (208) 834-2700 or you may contact Tiffany Floyd or Steve Stauffer at the Boise DEQ office 373-0550.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. The City of Grand View has notified owners of properties to supply copies to their residence. (For example, people in apartments, manufactured home parks, businesses and schools) You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Thank you,
Helana Race
Grand View City Clerk
March 26, 2007
4/4/07

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF TRUSTEE NOMINATIONS LIZARD BUTTE LIBRARY DISTRICT OWYHEE COUNTY IDAHO

Notice is hereby given, that in accordance with IDAHO CODE 34-1405, nominating petitions will be accepted for the position of Lizard Butte Library District Trustee on or before April 13, 2007. Petitions are available at the Lizard Butte Library located at 429 Main St. Ste. 105, Marsing, Idaho. Candidates for the position of trustee must be qualified electors and residents of the Lizard Butte Library District. One position is available for a five-year term from Owyhee County. An election will be held Tuesday May 22, 2006. For further information, contact Janna Streibel, Clerk of the Board, 429 Main St. Ste. 105, Marsing Idaho 83639.

Dated the 30th of March, 2007.
Janna Streibel, Clerk
Lizard Butte Library District
429 Main St. Ste. 105
Marsing Idaho 83639
4/4/07

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NOTICE OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY HOMEDALE JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 370 CANYON AND OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Trustees of Homedale Joint School District No. 370, Canyon and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, that the annual school trustee election will be held on May 15, 2007. Candidates interested in filing a declaration of candidacy must file not later than 5:00 p.m. on April 13, 2007.

Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone #1 may declare candidacy for a Zone #1 trustee position. Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone #5 may declare candidacy for a Zone #5 trustee position. The purpose of said election shall be to elect one trustee to serve for a period of three years from the date of the election one trustee who resides within trustee zone #1 and to elect one trustee to serve for a period of three years from the date of the election one trustee from trustee zone #5.

Trustee Zones #1 and #5 are more specifically described as follows:

TRUSTEE ZONE 1—Beginning at the intersection of the western district boundary and the Snake River. Easterly on the Snake River and its southern bank to 1st St. West. South on 1st St. West to California Ave. West on California Ave. to the west city limits of Homedale. Southerly on the city limits to Idaho Ave. West on Idaho Ave. to Succor Creek. Southwest on Succor Creek to the west district boundary. North on the district boundary to the beginning.

TRUSTEE ZONE 5—Beginning at the intersection of the west Homedale city limits and California Ave. East on California Ave. to 1st St. West. North on 1st St. West a short distance and extended directly north to the Snake River. Easterly on the Snake River to Idaho Ave. West on Idaho Ave. to Railroad Ave. Northwest on Railroad Ave. to 6th St. West. North on 6th St. West to Washington Ave. West on Washington Ave. to the city limits. Northerly on the city limits to the beginning.

Declaration of candidacy must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees not later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth Friday prior to the day of election (To wit: April 13, 2007). Each declaration of candidacy must bear the name of the candidate, state the term for which declaration of candidacy is made, and bear the signature of not less than five (5) school district electors resident of the trustee zone of which the candidate is resident.

As provided by Idaho Code, Section 33-502A no write-in vote shall be counted unless a declaration of intent has been filed with the District Clerk indicating that the person desires the office and is legally qualified to assume the duties of school trustee if elected. The declaration of intent shall be filed not later than fourteen (14) days before the day of election.

Under order of the Board of Trustees

/s/ Faith K. Olsen
Assistant Clerk
3/28;4/4/07

NOTICE OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 365 ELMORE AND OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO

Public notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Trustees of Joint School District No. 365, Elmore and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, that the annual school trustee election will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2007. Candidates interested in filing a Declaration of Candidacy must file **not later than 5 p.m. on Friday, April 13, 2007.**

Only those qualified electors residing in Trustee Zone No. 2 and Trustee Zone No. 4 may declare candidacy for a trustee position. The purpose of the election shall be to elect one trustee from Zone 2 and one trustee from Zone 4 to serve for a period of three years.

Trustee Zones more specifically described as follows:

Trustee Zone #2 - Bruneau Area & Grand View Areas (South of Cattle Drive Road, West of Highway 51 in Bruneau, east of Battle Creek Road to Mud Flat Road, south of Highway 78 to Sheep Camp Road, to River Road, South of River Road to Black Sands Road, west of Cove Recreation Site where it intersects Highway 78 and west side of Mormon Blvd.)

Trustee Zone #4 - Grand View Area - (East of Roosevelt Avenue at the town site of Grand View, across the Snake River onto Highway 67 in Elmore County.)

Declaration of Candidacy must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Trustees not later than 5 p.m. on the fifth Friday prior to the day of election. Each Declaration of Candidacy must bear the name of the candidate, state the zone for which Declaration of Candidacy is made and bear the signature of not less than five (5) qualified school district electors resident of the trustee zone of which the candidate is resident.

As provided by Idaho Code, Section 33-502A no write-in vote shall be counted unless a Declaration of Intent has been filed with the District Clerk indicating that the person desires the office and is legally qualified to assume the duties of school trustee if elected. The Declaration of Intent shall be filed not later than fourteen (14) days before the day of election.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
Catherine R. Sellman, Clerk
3/28;4/4/07

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

**T.S. NO.: ID-06-63980-NF
LOAN NO.: 33468075**

On 6/28/2007 at 11:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location In the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho: In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse Located on the corner of highway 78 and Hailey St., 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, on behalf of U.S. Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Home Equity Asset Trust 2004-5, Home Equity Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-5 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 real property, situated

in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: All of Lot 12 and the west 25 feet of Lot 13 of Block 8 of the Amended plat of the Townsite of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 508 West Montana Avenue, Homedale, ID 83628 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: Carlos Nunez, a married man, as Grantor/Trustor, in which Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., (MERS) as nominee for Meritage Mortgage Corporation, is named as Beneficiary and Pioneer Title as Trustee and recorded 5/28/2004 as Instrument No. 247962 in book -, page - of Official Records in the office of the recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 5/10/2004. The monthly installments of Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of \$ 398.39, due per month for the months of 6/1/2006 through 2/14/2007, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$ 57,277.67 together with interest

thereon at the current rate of 7.25000 per cent (%) per annum from 5/1/2006. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fee, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: 2/27/2007 By: Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. 319 Elm Street, 2nd Floor San Diego, CA 92101, as Agent By: Kathy Rush *** For Sale Information Call: 714-259-7850 or login to: www.fidelityasap.com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 830117
3/14,21,28;4/4/07

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE NOMINATION EASTERN OWYHEE COUNTRY FREE LIBRARY DISTRICT OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in accordance with Idaho

Code, 34-1405, 34-704, and 34-1404, nominating petitions will be accepted for the position of Eastern Owyhee County Library District Trustee on or before April 13, 2007. Petitions are available at the library at 520 Boise Avenue, Grand View, Idaho. Candidates for the position of trustee must be qualified electors and residents of the Eastern Owyhee County Library District. One (1) position is available for a five (5) year term. An election will be held Tuesday, May 22, 2007. For further information contact Kathy Chick, Clerk of the Board, 520 Boise Avenue, Grand View, Idaho 83624

Dated this 21st day of March, 2007

Kathy L. Chick
3/28;4/4/07

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That declarations of candidacy for the office of Trustee of the Bruneau Valley Library must be filed with district clerk/secretary whose address is 32073 Ruth Street, Bruneau, Idaho 83604 no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 13th day of April, 2007. Date of the election is set for Tuesday, May 24th, 2007 from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Bruneau Valley Library. If only one candidate files for the position of trustee, no election will be held.

Such declarations are available at the district office at 32073 Ruth Street/ Bruneau Valley Library or at the office of the County Clerk.

Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a declaration of intent no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 25th day prior to the election, that being Friday, April 27th, 2007.

/s/ Ginny Roeder
Clerk/Secretary of Taxing District
4/4/07

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**SUMMONS
CASE NO. CV-07-063
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE**

RONALD C. ROSE and
DIANA G. ROSE, husband and
wife, Plaintiffs,

Vs.

FRED ROBBINS, et. al,
Defendants.

TO: FRED ROBBINS and
IRENE J. ROBBINS, husband
and wife, ALVIN P. JEROME and
ALMA I. JEROME, husband and
wife, RONALD T. CAMMACK
a/k/a RONALD THOMAS
CAMMACK and LUCY K.
CAMMACK, husband and wife,
DeRUYTER PROPERTIES
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, an
Idaho limited partnership, NICK
DeRUYTER and SUZANNE
DeRUYTER, husband and wife,
JOHN DOES 1-5 and JANE
DOES 1-5, being the unknown
partners comprising DeRuyter
Properties Limited partnership,
JOHN DOES 6-25 and JANE
DOES 6-25, being all past or
present owners of real property
adjacent to or adjoining, or any
persons claiming an interest in
or having a potential claim in or
against Tract 1 (Audit 6416) A
tract of land in Owyhee County,
Idaho, being all that portion of
the right of way of the Union
Pacific Railroad Company, a
Delaware corporation (successor
in interest by merger to Union
Pacific Railroad Company, a Utah
corporation, and to the Oregon
Short Line Railroad Company),
being that same tract of land
heretofore acquired by the said
Oregon Short Line Railroad
Company by virtue of that certain
Bargain and Sale Deed dated June
15, 1922, from Gem Irrigation
District, a municipal corporation
of the State of Idaho, the said
instrument having been filed for
record in the said Owyhee County
on October 5, 1922, at Page 328 of
Book 16 of Deeds, the said tract
of land being more particularly
described therein as follows: "A
strip of land one hundred (100)
feet wide, being fifty (50) feet
on each side of the center line
of main track of the Homedale
Branch Extension of the Oregon
Short Line Railroad as the same
is now located over the across the
Northwest quarter of the Southeast
quarter (NW ¼ SE ¼) of Section
Fourteen (14), Township Three
(3) North, Range Five (5) West of
the Boise Meridian. The location
of said center line of main track
being more particularly described
as follows: Beginning at a point in
the North and South center line of
said Section Fourteen (14), one
hundred seventy-five (175) feet,
more or less, South of the center
line of said Section; thence South
52° 50' East, sixteen hundred
forty-six (1646) feet, more or
less, to a point in the East line
of said Northwest quarter of the
Southeast quarter (NW ¼ SE ¼),
one hundred eighty-two (182)
feet, more or less, North of the
Southeast corner thereof; said strip
of land containing in all three and
seventy-eight hundredths (3.78)
acres, more or less; also A strip of
land one hundred fifty (150) feet
wide, being one hundred (100)
feet on the Southwesterly side of
fifty (50) feet on the Northeasterly
side of the said center line of main
track, as the same is now located

over and across the Southeast
quarter of the Southeast quarter
(SE ¼ SE ¼) of said Section
Fourteen (14). The location of
said center line of main track
being more particularly described
as follows: Beginning at a point in
the North line of said Southeast
quarter of the Southeast quarter
(SE ¼ SE ¼), two hundred thirty-
eight (238) feet, more or less, East
of the Northwest corner thereof;
thence South 52° 50' East, thirteen
hundred fifty-one (1351) feet,
more or less, to a point in the
East line of said Section Fourteen
(14), five hundred seventeen (517)
feet, more or less, North of the
Southeast corner thereof. Said
strip of land containing in all four
and eighty-two hundredths (4.82),
acres more or less; also A strip of
land one hundred (100) feet wide,
being fifty (50) feet on each side
of the said center line of main
track as the same is now located
over and across the Southwest
quarter of the Southwest quarter
(SW ¼ SW ¼) of Section Thirteen
(13), Township Three (3) North,
Range Five (5) West of the Boise
Meridian. The location of said
center line of main track being
more particularly described as
follows: Beginning at a point in the
West line of said Section Thirteen
(13), five hundred seventeen
(517) feet, more or less, North
of the Southwest corner thereof;
thence South 52° 50' East, six
hundred twenty-seven (627)
feet, more or less; thence along a
curve to the left, with a radius of
fifty seven hundred twenty-nine
and six-tenths (5729.6) feet, for
a distance of two hundred forty
(240) feet, more or less, to a point
in the South line of said Section
Thirteen (13), seven hundred two
(702) feet, more or less, East of
the Southwest corner thereof. Said
strip of land containing in all one
and ninety-nine hundredths (1.99)
acres, more or less. The Total of
land herein conveyed containing
in all ten and fifty-nine hundredths
(10.59) acres, more or less. Situate
in Owyhee County, Idaho. Tract 2
(Audit 6417) A tract of land in
Owyhee County, Idaho, being all
that portion of the right of way
of the Union Pacific Railroad
Company, a Delaware corporation
(successor in interest by merger to
Union Pacific Railroad Company,
a Utah corporation, and to the
Oregon Short Line Railroad
Company), being that same tract
of land heretofore acquired by the
said Oregon Short Line Railroad
Company by virtue of (i) that
certain Bargain and Sale Deed
dated June 15, 1922, from Gem
Irrigation District, a municipal
corporation of the State of Idaho,
the said instrument having been
filed for record in the said Owyhee
County on October 5, 1922, at Page
326 of Book 16 of Deeds; and (ii)
that certain Quitclaim Deed dated
June 23, 1922, from M. L. Walker
and Jessie D. Walker, his wife, the
said instrument having been filed
for record in the said Owyhee
County on October 5, 1922, at
Page 324 of Book 16 of Deeds;
the said tract of land being more
particularly described therein
as follows: "A strip of land one
hundred (100) feet wide, being
fifty (50) feet on each side of the
center line of main track of the
Homedale Branch Extension of
the Oregon Short Line Railroad as
the same is now located over and
across Lot Three (3) of Section
Fourteen (14), Township Three
(3) North, Range Five (5) West of

the Boise Meridian. The location
of said center line of main track
being more particularly described
as follows: Beginning at a point
in the west line of said Lot Three
(3), one hundred eighty-two (182)
feet, more or less, North of the
Southwest corner thereof; thence
52° 50' East, two hundred ninety-
four (294) feet, more or less, to
a point in the South line of said
Lot Three (3), two hundred thirty-
eight (238) feet, more or less, East
of the Southwest corner thereof.
Said strip of land containing in
all sixty-eight hundredths (0.68)
of an acre, more or less." Situate
in Owyhee County, Idaho.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN
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YOU ARE HEREBY
NOTIFIED that in order to defend
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response must be filed with the
above designated court within
twenty (20) days after service
of this Summons on you. If you
fail to so respond, the court may
enter judgment against you as
demanded by the Plaintiff in the
Verified Complaint for Quiet
Title.

If you wish to seek the advice
or representation by an attorney
in this matter, you should do so
promptly so that your written
response, if any, may be filed
in time and other legal rights
protected.

An appropriate written response
requires compliance with Rule
10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules
of Civil Procedure and shall also
include:

1. The title and number of this case.
2. If your response is an Answer to the Verified Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Verified Complaint and other defenses you may claim.
3. Your signature, mailing address, and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address, and telephone number of your attorney.
4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to Plaintiffs' attorney, as designated above.

To determine whether you
must pay a filing fee with your
response, contact the Clerk of the
above-mentioned court.

DATED this 13th day of
February, 2007.

CHARLOTTE SHERBURN
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT
COURT

By: Trina Aman, Deputy
Dan C. Grober
Attorney at law
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PO Box 325
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WICAP is recruiting for Youth Transporters, Canyon County area. Exp interacting w/at risk youth/families. Valid DL w/acceptable driving record. Transport youth to and from activities. Requires ability to work flexible hours - 10/20 hrs wk. Entry \$8.00. Application package available at www.wicaphs.com or contact WICAP, 315 S Main, Payette, 642-9086. Position closes -04-09-07 5:00 p.m. EOE/AA

WICAP is recruiting for a Health Monitor for Marsing/Wilder Head Start sites. Ability to work w/pre-school children. Strong computer skills, type 45 wpm. HS diploma or GED required. Bilingual desirable, 40 hrs wk, approx 37 wks per yr. Entry \$9.34 Application package available at www.wicaphs.com or contact WICAP, 315 S Main, Payette, 642-9086. Open until filled preference give to applications received prior to 04-06-07 at 5:00 p.m. EOE/AA

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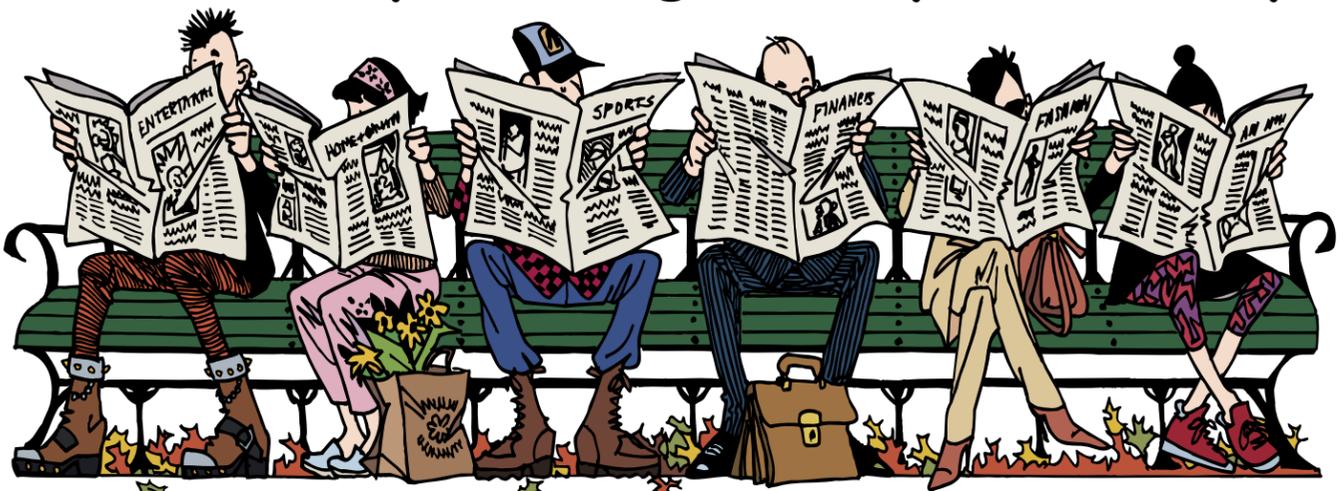
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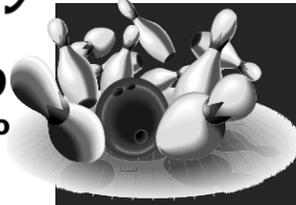
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Adrian's new coach optimistic about vet squad

Team kicks off another quest for State
with league doubleheaders this week

by Kat Sillonis, AHS

After a 1A/2A Oregon state playoff berth last year, and a new coach this year, the Adrian High School softball team has picked up right where it left off, opening the season with a 3-1 record.

New coach Barry Hartley says he has high expectations for his team this year.

"I really see this team going somewhere. Our goal is to get farther in the State playoffs than the team did last year," Hartley said.

Returning four starters from last year's squad, including junior pitcher Paige



Barry Hartley

Branstiter, Hartley says he thinks the Adrian team has a good shot at a winning season. The other returning starters are senior shortstop/pitcher Amanda Simpson, senior second baseman Ryann Bowns and sophomore third baseman Terra Rust.

"We are returning our middle infield and two pitchers," the coach said.

"Our outfield is working hard, and the whole team is improving every day. I really think that this team can go far."

Junior Jessica Orosco has stepped into the catcher's slot with three-year starter Kat Sillonis sitting out her senior season after suffering a knee injury during the Antelopes' basketball season.

Also spending time behind the plate is freshman Sveta Price.

Price and Branstiter led the Antelopes to a 14-3 victory March 20 against Nampa Christian. Branstiter stifled the Trojans from the pitching circle and slammed an inside-the-park home run. Price also chimed in with a triple.

Sophomore Jinell VanCorbach, Adrian's new first baseman, rounds out the infield. Junior Dalli Chisham will be ready to step into any position, primarily backing up second base.

Freshman speedster Ranea Orosco, who is splitting time between track and softball, will start in the outfield, helped out by freshmen Erica Griffin and Chelsey Walters and sophomores Candyce McKenna, Brook Cummings and Camilla Rampinelli.

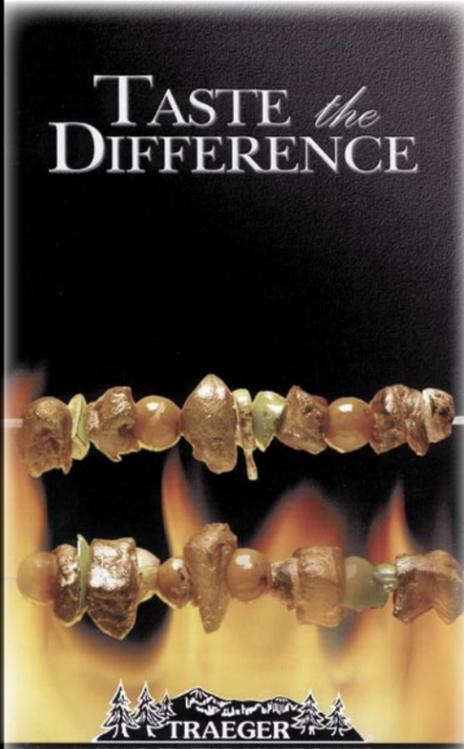
"I'm very excited for the rest of the season," Hartley said. "We know that our league is tough. We're playing 2A or 1A/2A combined teams, so we know we have our work cut out for us. But we all know we can do it."

Hartley looks at Union/Cove and Elgin/Imbler to be tough in the 2A/1A Special District 6, while Enterprise/Joseph also could do well.

"With Nyssa and Vale both moving up to 3A, it changes the look of our league," he said. "We'll have our work cut out for us, but I'm confident the girls will be very competitive this year."

Adrian begins league play with doubleheaders Friday and Saturday at Elgin/Imbler and Enterprise/Joseph, respectively.

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Homedale's baseball team started the 3A Snake River Valley conference season Tuesday at home against Weiser. Results weren't available at press time.

Coach Tim Fulwood's squad (3-5) travels to Payette on Friday.

The Trojans softball team also plays in Payette on Friday.

Marsing baseball travels to Bruneau to face Rimrock in a 4:30 p.m. non-conference doubleheader Friday.

Rimrock coach Bob Murray recently thanked Mike Basabe and Ty Burbank for buying a new batting cage net for the Raiders.

The Huskies also started their 2A Western Idaho Conference campaign this week, visiting Melba on Tuesday. Marsing visits Nampa Christian on Thursday.

The softball team follows the same schedule.

Marsing's track team is in Horseshoe Bend Saturday for the Cole Valley Invitational.

The Homedale golf squad is at Rolling Hills Golf Course in Weiser today.