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Unforgettable Smiles at the Special Olympics Winter Games Hosted by Terrace Lakes Resort

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Garden Valley - "What a great venue for this event" was the common factor voiced from visitors of the Special Olympics Winter Games in Nordic Events held at Terrace Lakes Resort this past Saturday. The competitive spirit showed but more than anything there was complete and utter joy beaming from the participants. Big smiles were on the faces of all the competitors from the time they started the competitions to when the awards were handed out.

Terrace Lakes Resort hosted the Nordic winter events of cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. Sean Wardle, General Manager at Terrace Lakes Resort, commented on how he was "so pleased to be a part of bringing this event to Garden Valley and Terrace Lakes." He enlisted many volunteers and helpers to set up for the event which culminated at the Pavilion by the Pool. Everyone was treated to gallons of donated homemade chili while Terrace Lakes provided the beverages and snacks.

One local competitor was Gage Winters. He won two gold medals and could hardly contain his excitement. He won the 1K and 3K cross-country competitions. He also was the designated person to carry the Winter Games Torch. Gage's mom, Deanna Winters said, "It was such a fun day and always amazed by the support. Thanks to the whole community of GV & Terrace Lakes Resort!"

Competitors ranged in various ages with the oldest being 80 years old. Every competitor was excited as the medals were place around their necks by Patrick Calley, an Ada County Sheriff. He announced the medalists and was in part of the winning photos. He knew the all the competitors from his ongoing work with Special Olympics.

Many participants were not new to Special Olympics competitions. Many have competed in previous summer and winter games. For some, this was the first time they put on snowshoes. The coach for the Winter Games was Pam Kerr, who was always encouraging the competitors and had hugs for all of them.

One participant, Ian Bott from Boise, was excited at winning first place in the snowshoe relay with three others. He was anxious to be interviewed. Ian enjoyed talking about his accomplishments. He explained that he currently works at Albertson's in Boise. He is involved in the community and likes to do leadership activities. Ian says, "I am planning to graduate from Boise State University in the fall and I want to start a non-profit." He also said, "Coming to the Winter Games at Terrace Lakes is like a vacation."

Some giggled that the bus driver got a little lost trying to find Terrace Lakes, but the kids agreed, "He had a great sense of humor about it and played great music along the way." All the participants showed excitement to be in the snow. Parents and staff also commented on how "wonderful the snow was at Terrace Lakes and how

friendly everyone was."

Wardle refers to the best things about Garden Valley and events like this saying, "It



Patrick Calley (left), Ada County Sheriff and Special Olympics volunteer, announced a gold medal win for Garden Valley athlete Photo by Janet Juroch Gage Winters on right.



Special Olympics Winter games athletes and volunteers gather for a group photo at Terrace Lakes Resort with memories and more. Photo by Janet Juroch

never ceases to amaze me how well this community of ours can band together and put on an amazing event! Today we hosted the Nordic events of the Idaho Winter Special Olympics. So thankful for all of the volunteers but most of all, so proud of these sensational athletes. Hopefully we can make this a yearly celebration for these incredibly talented individuals!! Kudos to everyone involved!!"

Happenings

Idaho City: IC Historical Foundation's Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner. March 11, 2017; Ray Robison Community Hall, 6:00pm, doors open at 5:30pm. Featuring Trudy's famous Corned Beef Dinner, Music, and Silent Auction. Great food, fine music, and conversation! Featuring Boise Basin Gold Miners' Logger, brewed with local hops. All proceeds go to the preservation of the History of Idaho City and the Boise Basin. Tickets: Trudy's Café, ICHF Board members, or call 392-6624.

Crouch/Garden Valley: March 4th is the Annual Kid's Art Show. The Gallery uses a portion of proceeds from memberships and art sales to fund scholarships for students participating in art classes. For more information call/email: 208.462.6860 or gvca. gv@gmail.com

Horseshoe Bend: Vote on the School Levy, March 14 at the Ladies Club from 8am to 8pm.

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CuMo Mining Proceeds to **Secure New Investor**



The Idaho CuMo Mining Corporation is moving forward with a new investor. According to the Canadian based company, the project has created quite a stir in the market of investors. The terms reached with the Chinese company, back in November of 2016, has defaulted. However, another company based in Singapore and Jakarta, Millennia Minerals, is now funding the project with approximately \$1.5 million invested since June of 2016.

Trevor Burns, Chief Financial Officer & Director, is encouraged by this new venture and expects that the company will move forward with test drilling this summer. He says there is a benefit in working with this company.

They have extensive knowledge in mining, but they also speak the same engineering duction are more similar than those of the Chinese.

CuMo Mining Corporation is acquiring more private land, 14 miles northwest of Idaho City, to eventually mine the largest deposit of molybdenum in the world. Terms are still being outlined through an MOU between CuMoCo and Millennia, with a Definitive Agreement expected on or before March 10, 2017.

Shaun Dykes, President and CEO of CuMoCo, stated, "We believe that this development in our relationship with Millennia marks a significant step forward for CuMoCo. The principals of Millennia are hands-on industry veterans with significant international natural resource development experience."

Burns added, "Idaho CuMo language. Their ideas for pro- is committed to developing strategic partnerships that advance the Company's projects in a responsible and sustainable manner. As relationships develop, we will provide timely and transparent updates."

The Idaho CuMo Mining Corporation is now taking on two projects in Idaho, the CuMo Mine Project in Boise County and the Calida Gold Project in Lemhi County. Each of which are said to be attracting many qualified and enthusiastic invevestors. Millennia Minerals is expected to partner on or before March 10th, 2017, arranging for \$200 million in new capital. This procurement is anticipated to advance the CuMo Mining Project and the Calida Gold Project.