

### **EAST BOISE COUNTY--**

Commissioner Alan Ward opened the session as the Governing Board for the East Boise County Ambulance [EBCAD] and said that he would like to move forward and find solutions for Unit 13 of Placerville. The volunteer run organization has not been in operation for several years.



Pam Garlock, last remaining member of Unit 13 in Placerville.

George Butters, Placerville's Fire Chief, stood and said, "We too would like to see Unit 13 back up and running. We would like to offer our assistance in doing so. *We don't have anybody on the department that wants to join EBCAD*, but we do have firemen who are willing to be *drivers*." He suggested having taxpayers as representatives, one from each ambulance district, be a part of the Operations Board.

Commissioner Ward asked the EBCAD Director, Melissa Potts, what it took to be an ambulance driver. She responded that there were background checks, driving checks, and they also have to be CPR certified. Potts added, "*It's more than just driving*." East Boise County Ambulance District is insured and under a doctor's license.

Pam Garlock, member of Unit 13 and Boise County Coroner, said that the biggest issue in the past was that drivers would be subject to random drug testing, and they didn't want to do that. Butters stated he was not aware of this issue and said, "As far as I'm concerned, you can drug test anybody in our department."

Dan Gasiorowski, of Placerville, stated he wouldn't talk about the past, but noted that the latest Operating Plan for EBCAD had "a few things that were wrong with it," including extrication. "We would like to see it, so that you have more citizens overseeing the EBCAD operations for each area." Gasiorowski suggested they be appointed by the commissioners to serve a 4-year term, much like the Planning & Zoning Commission. He recounted drug testing was never mentioned and they had received nothing from the EBCAD Board, other than a letter of rejection.

Garlock was concerned for the confidentiality of patient records, should they go with



Dan Gasiowoski was one of several representatives of Placerville that met with the Boise County Commissioners.

this suggested plan for an Operating Board. "*It's not meant for the public to have*," Garlock said. As the only remaining member of Unit 13, she stated that she was willing to work with the Fire Department.

Melissa Potts said she had not heard anyone offer up a solution to the problem. She offered an EMT class, but no one from that area attended. "I can't put people in Placerville. It's the people in the community that need to step up."

Chief Butters stated that he would like to learn more about what it takes to become drivers. He then added sternly, "*But keep in mind, our fire department will come first.*"

\* More will be in next week's Idaho World.

## Boise County District Court Report:

## **BOISE COUNTY --**

Joshua Kirkham of Firth was sentenced in District Court on Friday for his 5<sup>th</sup> Driving Under the Influence charge. The Honorable Samuel Hoagland presided over this case and said his first concern was to impose a sentence that would protect dy. His blood alcohol level was .212, and .08 being the limit.

Judge Hoagland recounted the events leading up to the arrest, "He started drinking in Firth, and for those that don't know where Firth is, it's over between Idaho Falls and Blackfoot. On the old Highway 30, *I*  was ultimately arrested. "And bear in mind, that the time that he's arrested, this was just a few weeks after the Idaho Falls DUI arrest." After another two weeks, Kirkham was arrested on his third felony DUI in Bingham County.

Judge Hoagland noted that

A sentence was imposed which will protect society, and, hopefully, deter others of this crime of drinking while intoxicated. Joshua Kirkham, 34, was sentenced of felony driving under the influence, with a total of ten years imprisonment, with one and one half years fixed, followed by eight and one half indeterminate. That sentence will run concurrent with the sentence that runs in Idaho Falls. Judge Hoagland also imposed a \$2,000 fine, and \$250 defender expense and felony court costs. Kirkham's driver's license will be suspended for two years, fixed and absolute, which will begin after his release from jail. He will be required to have an interlocking device on any vehicle he operates thereafter. "I think I would be doing a disservice to society and the public to not impose a sentence in this case," Judge Hoagland said. "I think the imposition is necessary for the protection of society. I think imposition



society. During the month of November of 2018, Kirkham recounted that he was going to see a friend in Mountain Home, had been drinking heavily the entire way and somehow ended up near Horseshoe Bend. While there, a call came into dispatch from a concerned citizen when they saw Kirkham going in the wrong direction, into traffic, on Highway 55. An officer responded, Kirkham refused a breath test, failed a sobriety test and was taken into custo*think.* So, that's a good three, three and a half hour drive from there to Mountain Home, four and a half to five to get up past Gardenia. Apparently, he was so drunk that he drove right past all three exits on the freeway, past Mountain Home, drove himself through Boise and got onto Highway 55, up past Horseshoe Bend and up the road." His reckless driving was noticed and called in by a concerned citizen. An officer was dispatch and Kirkham

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the defendant, out of jail, had been convicted of felony grand theft in 2007, a felony domestic violence charge in 2010, and on numerous probation violations. There had also been multiple driving without privileges charges, and without a valid driver's license. This would be his fourth DUI conviction in the past three years, with five in total DUI arrests. Kirkham had been on felony probation for ten years, but he declared in a presentence report that he'd been "drinking every day." The judge pointed out, "So,

The judge pointed out, "So, what I see is a long list of being a thief, domestic violence, and severe alcoholism. There are some good things the defendant shows, some remorse." Joshua Kirkham Courtesy of the Ada Co. Jail

is necessary to send a message to society, *that is a message of deterrence*. If you commit three felony DUIs, at some point in time, *you're going to go to prison.*"

The defendant was then taken into custody by the Boise County Sheriff Deputy, to be processed into the Ada County jail. BUNKSK 

Garden Valley Senior & Social Center News By Janet Juroch

The winter is still freezing us out and cautious driving seems to accompany the snowy conditions that come and go. Make sure you check on neighbors who may be house bound. The Senior Center is a hub to keep everyone active. People can come and socialize, which includes Fit and Fall, Wednesday aerobics, and F.A.S.T. Friday evening social get-togethers. From these activities, people are developing new social circles and meeting for other activities outside of the Centers.

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Good news came upon receiving a grant from Idaho Power in the amount of \$736.00. Idaho Power and IDACORP provide Community Grants for the purpose of supporting non-profit 501(c) entities that give back to their communities. The grant funds will be used specifically for kitchen needs. Operation of the kitchen, which is busy with the Metro Meals on Wheels program, needs some upgrades and supplies. This also helps to reinstate the monthly evening meals that were popular.

Funding will go to the basic kitchen needs such as, paper products, heavy garbage sacks, flour, sugar, condiments, gloves, cleaners, sanitizers, and ice melt for the entry way. These necessary items that can really add up. The Center did have to purchase those things up front, but these funds from Idaho Power will replace general operating monies we spent. Every dollar helps make a difference, especially when the kitchen is getting lots of use and general expenses are increasing.

A little background on how Idaho Power grant funding

er, and IDACORP, Inc." The purpose of the Employees' Community Service Fund is to assist the employees of Idaho Power in making contributions to charitable, health, and human organizations. These organizations must be dependent upon voluntary contributions in order to carry out their specific charitable programs. They also must qualify as exempt organizations pursuant to the provisions of 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. This fits the mission of Garden Valley Seniors, Inc. perfectly,

The GV Senior Center and our Board of Directors are very appreciative to Idaho Power and IDACORP for their generous help. This grant will make product purchasing less of a worry and donations now can be better served in other areas. This grant paves the way for continuing programs.

Granny's Closet is cleaning the "closet". Stroll on in to find great deals on clothing and décor. Items change regularly with deals that will assist any pocketbook. Volunteers work hard to sort through items, cleaned and washed in the laundry if needed. The shopper wins by walking out with wonderful items at a sensational price.

The Center still has activities where people can come and socialize, which include Fit and Fall, Wednesday aerobics, and F.A.S.T. Friday evening social get-togethers. From these activities, people are developing new social circles and meeting for other activities outside of the Center.

Metro Meals on Wheels noon lunches: THURS, 1/31, Meatloaf w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Glazed carrots, Ice Cream. Roll. Milk.

TUES, 2/05 BBQ Beef on Bun, Baked Beans, Carrots, Cookie, Fresh Fruit, Milk.

THURS, 2/07, Swedish Meatballs, Rice, Cauliflower, Peaches, Roll, Milk.

Other calendar events: February 9th will be the Annual Chocolate Auction sponsored by the GV Center for the Arts. They are moving to a different location but chose the Senior Center for their wonderful pre-Valentine Day Chocolate Auction. Remember that the Talent Show is coming on February 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Crouch Community Hall. Mark your calendars!

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Vaughan had close to \$8 million in sales and is in the top 8%. Julie Leslie had over \$6 million in sales and is ranked in the top 12% of the MLS. All the Garden Valley Properties agents are proud to service our clients in West Boise County and serve in the community in which they live and work.



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## BOISE BASIN SENIOR CENTER Menu for February 102 Bear Run Rd. P.O. Box 393 Idaho Chiz, ID 203-392-4918

## Tuesday, Feb. 5

Tuesday, Feb. 12

plesauce and Bread

Wednesday, Feb. 13

Thursday, Feb. 14

Baked Spaghetti,

Food Pantry 11:30 to 2:00

Beans/Corn Mix, Peaches and

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Finger Steaks, Steak Fries, Corn, Pears and Bread

fundraiser for the senior center, call after 10 am to get your order in.

Thursday, Feb. 7 Tuesday, Feb. 19 Chicken smothered in Gra-Tamales, Soft Shell Tacos, vy, AuGratin Potatoes, Mixed Refried Beans, Mexican Rice Veggies, Pineapple and Bread and Fruit Cocktail

Green

Thursday, Feb. 21 Turkey Breasts, Mashed Po-Swedish Meatballs, Egg tatoes & Gravy, Carrots, Ap-Noodles, Stewed Beets, Peaches and Bread

> Tuesday, Feb. 26 Roasted Chicken, Roasted Potatoes, Corn, Apricots and Bread

Wednesday, Feb. 27 Food Pantry 11:30 to 2:00

Thursday, Feb. 28

Mike's Marvelous Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Mixed Veggies, Pineapple and Bread

We open to the public at 10:45 am. Soup is available at 11:00 am, salad bar is available at 11:30 am and lunch is served at noon. Beverages include water, coffee, tea and milk. Salad bar includes tomatoes, garbanzo beans, kidney beans, lettuce, cottage cheese, beets, olives, cucumbers, deviled eggs and jello w/fruit. Desserts served each day with the meal. The "bus to town" will leave at 9:00 am on Wednesday, February 6th. Free haircuts on Thursday, February 7th starting at 10:30 am. Board meeting is Thursday, February 14th at 1:00 pm.



Bread

## On Valentine's Day,

the Idaho City Community Club has a unique way to offer their "Thank You" to the community. They serve a "tea" for all the public employees in the local county. Anyone who works in the City and County buildings along with all the educators and staff who work in the public schools are welcome to visit the Commissioners Room in the County Building, where a lunch will be served. There will be soups, snacks, sandwiches and treats available for all who wish to visit.

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Idaho City Community Club **Chili Cook-Off Flea Market at** the Ray Robison Community Hall. February 15, 4-7; February 16 10-6 February 17 10-4.

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## BURS

Horseshoe Bend Middle School Basketball



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**HORSESHOE BEND --**Horseshoe Bend Middle School 7th grader Nicholas Cooper at the free throw line for the school's "A" Team on Tuesday, January 22. Teammate, 8th grader Blayne Meyer, is to the left. Cooper was 4 for 5 at the line with 8 total points during the team's home stand against the Garden Valley Wolverines. Meyer was the team's top scorer with 11 points in all, 5 from 2 point baskets and 1/1 at free throws. The Mustang's A team took the loss 33-39. Other standouts were 7th grader Porter Larson (10 total points), and 7th grader Seth Hess (4 total points). The school's "B" Team fared

Written by Tracy Koslosky

better against the Wolverines taking the victory with a score of 20-17. Hess (doing double duty for both teams) was the high scorer with 5 points (one 3 pt .basket, one 2 pt. basket). 8th grader Treyven Bauer had 4 total points (two 2 pt. baskets) as did 8th grader Jedidiah Graham. 7th grader Kaelun Jones had 3 total points (one 2 pt. basket, 1 free throw) while 8th grader Joseph Wellan and 6th grader Colby Swan each had one 2 point basket. The teams will play at home against the Compass Aviators on Wednesday, January 30 and on Thursday, January 31 against the Idaho City Wildcats. Tip off time for both games is 4:15.

## Looking Back on The Idaho World ~ June 1960

Published in the Idaho World on June 30, 1960 **Editor Tom Adams** 

The following is something most editors would like to write and never did – It is taken from the American Press and was written by editor Bob Wright of the Montello, Wis. Tribune. (Slight changes have been made for the *local scene*)

Q. – Why don't you print in color, say red, once in a while?

A. – Our entire supply of red ink is used in the bookkeeping department

Q. – Why don't you have funny papers?

A. – We think we have the funniest paper in Idaho now.

Q. – Why don't you have an advice to the lovelorn column, like Abby Lane?

A. - None of our readers have any such problems.

Q. - Why don't you publish a pin-up picture once in a while?

A. – I dunno. We ran our own picture a couple of years ago and nobody asked for reprints.

Q. – Why don't you carry TV reviews?

A. - Our set is busted.

Q. – Why do you have all those misprints?

A. - They're the most entertain-

ing part of the whole paper.

Q. – Why do you always say "we" when referring to yourself in the paper?

A. - We want our readers to think they are outnumbered.

Q. – Why do you make so many grammatical mistakes?

A. - Cause we ain't never learned no better.

Q. – Why didn't you publish that poem I sent you?

A. – It was a lousy poem.

Q. – What do you do with all your money?

A. - We squander it on frivolities, like food and clothing.

Q. – Why don't you put out a bigger paper like the Statesman?

A. – We plan on it as soon as the population of Idaho City equals that of Boise.

Q. – What's the reason you don't replace that old linotype you're always complaining about? A. - \$15,000

Q. – Why don't you print weekly sermons?

A. – Why doesn't the preacher run the newspaper.

Q. - Why don't you run recipes?

A. – We did and left out a line. Twenty people got sick and cancelled their subscriptions.

Q. – Why do you devote space to such trivialities as "Joe Smith is feeling poorly this week?"

A. – Because good old Joe has many pals who are concerned over his health, even if you are not. Who knows, somebody might read the item and send Joe a bottle of sympathy.

Q. - Why don't you run a column of excerpts from the World of years gone by?

A. - We used to, but once we published an item from forty years back about a baby girl being born to Mr. and Mrs. Blank. Trouble was this baby girl had been telling everyone she was only 34. She sued us for invasion of privacy.



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BOISE GOUNTY

## Horseshoe Bend Mustangs Come Back for the Win



Horseshoe Bend boy's varsity basketball coach, Tivon Miller (center) consults with players Austin Fry (left) and Adam Akers (right) during a recent game. *Photo by Tracy Koslosky* 

## Written by Tracy Koslosky

**HORSESHOE BEND** -- The Horseshoe Bend Boy's Varsity Basketball team took home the win on Tuesday, January 22 in Garden Valley against 1A Long Pin Division confernce rivals the Wolverines. Having lost to Garden Valley at home just 10 days prior the Mustangs rallied for a 56-42 win giving the team a 7-3 standing in the division. They meet up with the Cascade Ramblers on January 29 for their final game at home before traveling for their final two conference games. They meet the Council Lumberjacks on Friday, February 1 and the Tri-Valley Titans on Wednesday, February 6. Junior varsity plays at 6:00 p.m. and varsity tips off at 7:30 p.m.

## Horseshoe Bend Lady Mustangs Win Over County Rivals



The Horseshoe Bend Lady Mustangs. Front row (from left to right) Kenzie Renfro, Julia Black, Jade Warren, Syringa Riley, Brooke Lane, Brittani Cooper Front (left to right) Lilly Fellom, Emagyne Womack, Sage Huston, Maggie Huston, and Lexi Roberts.

Photo courtesy of Sharsti Goff

## Written by Tracy Koslosky HORSESHOE BEND --

The Horseshoe Bend Lady Mustangs took on conference rivals the Garden Valley Wolverines in an away game on Tuesday, January 22. The team went home with the win 50-31. Senior Jade Warren was instrumental in the win giving

the Mustangs 29 points, 15 rebounds, 13 steals, and 5 blocks. Senior Syring Riley contributed 10 total points including two 3 point baskets, 4 rebounds, and 6 assists. Junior Brook Lane put 6 points on the scoreboard with 9 rebounds and 1 steal. Senior Brittani Cooper had one 3 point basket, 2 rebounds and 1 assist. Senior Julia Black had 2 points, 5 rebounds, and 1 assist while senior Sage Huston had 2 rebounds, sophomore Maggie Huston had 2 assists, 1 steal, and freshman Lilly Fellom had 1 rebound. The team is 6-6 in the 1A Long Pin Conference and 12-7 overall. Warren was the team's overall lead scorer during regular season play with 426 points followed

44, M. Huston with 19. S. Huston with 9, Fellom with 4, junior Emagyne Womack and freshman Kenzie Renfro with 2 points each. The team will take part in the 1A Long Pin Division District Tournament at Meadows Valley High School in New Meadows beginning Thursday, January 31 at 4:30 p.m. against the Cascade Ramblers. The winner will play the 11-0 division leaders, the Salmon River Savages at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 2. The winner of that game will play for the District Championship at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5 while the loser can stay alive for a chance to play in the state tournament at the 6:00 p.m. game on the same

## HORSESHOF BEND SENIOR CENTER Menu for February

The Horseshoe Bend Senior Center serves hot meals on Tuesdays and Fridays at 12:15 (Bingo immediately following). The center is located at Valley Christian Center- 109

## February's menu:

Friday 2/1: Chicken fried steak or Chicken Cordon Bleu, mac & cheese, tuna casserole, salad, peaches

Tuesday 2/5: Sausage pota-

ded chicken sandwich, potato salad, fruit salad

Tuesday 2/19: Chicken tater tot pie, peas, carrots, &

corn, salad, roll **Friday 2/22:** Beef meat loaf, mashed potatoes, corn, pears, roll **Tuesday 2/26:** Orange chicken, carrots, broccoli, cauliflower, & cabbage, egg roll, brown rice



to soup, salad, corn, sourdough roll pe **Friday 2/8:** Sloppy Joe, green beans & peas, pasta sal-

ad, pineapple **Tuesday 2/12:** Beef Shephard's pie, corn, salad, roll

Friday 2/15: BBQ shred-

All meals are served with coffee, iced tea, water, or milk.

by Riley with 172, Black with night. 66, Cooper with 53, Lane with





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## BOISE COUNTY

## **THE IDAHO WORLD** Editor's Stories & Year in Review ~ 2018

**JANUARY** Pepsi on the Rocks?

## MARCH

Water Rescue

**MAY** Motorcyclist Saved by Hot Shots



A single vehicle accident occurred on the morning of January 10<sup>th</sup> involving a Pepsi delivery truck. The driver had been traveling northbound towards Idaho City when he came upon a shaded area between mile markers 22 and 23. Heavy rains experienced during the previous night in Boise County had left the roadways wet. Freezing occurred just before dawn, dropping the temperature approximately 5 degrees, making for very slick conditions. An emergency responder recounted that the driver had noticed the black ice just over the rise, down from the turnoff to Robie Creek, when he began tapping his brakes to slow the truck. However, he noticed that the 18-wheeled semi would begin to slide with each attempt to brake. The truck continued to pick up speed and could not be maneuvered through the first tight curve on Highway 21.

## FEBRUARY

Investigation of the Garden Valley Hospital Board.



Ian Gee, attorney for the Garden Valley Hospital District and sition, *you cannot discuss that in* 

executive session," Ward stated. Sheriff Jim Kaczmarek introduced himself and said, "I just wanted to make it *clear* that there were allegations made that were criminal in nature that I am investigating through my office involving individuals, none of which are here right now. I didn't want there to be a mistake that the Board of County Commissioners was doing something that was outside of their jurisdiction." He continued, "The investigation that's occurring, is occurring in my office. It's in a regular scope of any criminal investigation and those records are certainly being used in the course of that investigation." Sheriff Kaczmarek said, "A lot of it is just turning into something conceptual and, certainly, attorneys are going to have to figure that out, because it's not a criminal matter."



A driver was seen by witnesses to be traveling at a high rate of speed from the High Bridge along Highway 21, on an extremely flat tire. Another motorist tried to pursue and to warn the female driver, but eventually slowed to a safer speed, unable to catch her. The Ford compact car, traveling northbound towards Idaho City, eventually left the roadway at mile marker 24. It was said that had witnesses not pursued the speeding car, looking for the possibility of it being in the creek bed, it may have gone unnoticed. In exploring the crash site, it was shocking for emergency responders to find that the car seemed to have gone "airborne," for approximately 100 feet! The vehicle actually hit the opposite side of the creek bank.



Boise County Sheriff's Deputy, Sgt. Scott Turner was impressed to say that the companion motorcyclist, "Couldn't have flagged down a better group of guys!"

Brian Cardoza, Supervisor with the Idaho City Hot Shots, was first on the scene with his crew of firefighters. They had just come from a training in Boise and were equipped with chainsaws and tools. "They were squared away," explained Deputy Turner.

When the crew found the injured motorcyclist near the Grimes Creek turnoff, the man had apparently sped off the roadway, missed hitting the rocks and was hung up in some bushes. They quickly and carefully went to work to clear an area of debris in which to lower the man down onto his stomach. Although the man tried to move and pull himself, he was told by the crewmen to lay very still, until medical help could arrive.

In the meantime, on Friday afternoon, May 4th at about 3:45pm, the school bus came to a stop at the Mores Creek turnout. The driver was informed of the upcoming accident and that an injured motorcyclist would likely be brought up on a board from the steep embankment.

The officer recounted that it was not like a normal motorcycle crash involving a young man driving a "crotch rocket." This was an older, seasoned rider that had been out riding an "enduro-type" motorbike. There were no skid marks from the roadway and it seemed that the rider had simply "drove off the corner."

## **APRIL** Passing of Barbara



## **JUNE** Idaho City 100 Enduro National Qualifier



prior prosecuting attorney for the county, spoke with the Boise County Commissioners on Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. He referenced four records requests in the last six months, saying, "In light of *my experience*, working on behalf of the county, I said [to the Hospital District board members], 'You know what, there's probably a reason they're asking for documents. There's probably some questions or issues.""

Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, Alan Ward said, "I don't think the public records requests are anything out of the ordinary. It's a way for us to learn the operations." He had concerns that the agendas were not being properly posted and that certain discussions were being held in closed executive sessions. "When you're going to appoint someone



### **Barbara Balding**

Barbara passed away on Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Her friendship, knowledge and kind ways will be greatly missed by many in the Boise County community. She began working for Boise County as a Deputy Treasurer and part-time clerk for the Prosecutor in 1995. In 2002, she was elected as Treasurer and served in that capacity until her retirement in 2009. Coming out of retirement, she was elected to serve as a Boise County Commissioner, District 1, and served from 2013 through 2015.

She leaves behind her soulmate of over 50 years, 3 children, 5 grandchildren, great grandchildren and Bo - her sweet doggie. *"Look, no hands or foot!"* This rider shows off for the camera. The Idaho City 100 is in its 35th year and is a National Qualifier event. The 100 mile Enduro, an American Motorcycle Association [AMA] event, brings these riders come from all over the northwest, and even the world, to compete on dirt bikes.

### Photos by Eileen Capson



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JULY Mile Marker 21 Fire

## SEPTEMBER

Hummingbirds & Elk

## NOVEMBER

Largest Meth Bust EVER In Boise County

Sagebrush and grass burned in a fury, as flames leapt and climbed higher over the mountain range near mile marker 21. Local volunteer firefighters were quick to respond with water tenders and hoses. Due to the scorching temperatures reaching almost 100 degrees, grasses were very dry and susceptible to the spread of fire, making it nearly impossible to get ahead of it. Air support was called in quickly to lend aid, as helicopters dropped water from their buckets, and then returned to the reservoir to refill. Planes blanked the hills with red retardant to stop the fire's progression.

The volunteer fire departments included Robie Creek and Wilderness Ranch. Many of which stayed on to tend the fire, not arriving home until about midnight. At no time did the fire threaten any homes, but certainly had the potential.

The Highway 21/ Mile Marker 21 Fire was reported on Sunday, starting at about 4pm and burned an estimated 700 acres before it was contained on July 16th. There are still residual hot spots, and crews will continue to monitor this area.



## **OCTOBER** Wilks Brothers in Boise Co.

"Trees are a crop in the State of Idaho," says Boise County Assessor, Chris Juszczak. The Wilks brothers of Texas own approximately 33,000 acres within Boise County, and so are made to pay taxes. However, unlike a piece of property with a home on it, the Wilks land is considered agricultural, and therefore has an assessed rate of \$104 per acre. In order to qualify for this deduction, a forester was hired to write up a plan and assess the approximate "boards per foot" that could be ascertained from said forest or stand of trees on the private property. The property must be void a home and be in excess of 5 acres to be considered. Assessor Juszczak assured that the property has been logged, some just above Idaho City, because they receive mill reports from the State of Idaho, declaring the boards per foot. In this plan, the forester derives how they will increase the overall health of the forest, which normally includes animal habitat. Boise County mainly has Douglas Fir and Ponderosa trees that are recorded as harvested. Idaho City District Ranger, Brant Petersen said there has been open conversations and meetings with a team of the Wilks brothers' attorneys. Along with this, there has been some disagreements as to the placement of the gates. U.S. Forest Service attorneys are also taking into account some homesteads that reside on the 374 Forest Service Road and are working on the easement issues. District Ranger Petersen candidly said that there were two gates put in that should not be there, and will need to be moved.

Brion Kysar, 29, has several charges involving the possession of methamphetamine, from November 8<sup>th</sup>, when he was pulled over in a routine traffic stop and arrested in Idaho City. He was in-custody of the Ada County Jail and present in Boise County Court on November 26th, for a preliminary hearing with Magistrate Judge Roger Cockerille.

During the hearing, Defense Attorney Rob Chastain spoke on behalf of his client, saving Kysar was prepared to wave his preliminary hearing. Chastain then addressed the high bail set by Judge Lamont Berecz on November 9th. "I was fairly shocked with court setting bond at \$250,000," which he said was completely beyond what Mr. Kyser was able to meet. It was further stated that Kysar was employed by a company out of Caldwell that makes custom cabinets, and that there were children dependent upon his income.

Currently, Kysar has other



pending charges out of Ada County, including a felony possession of a transaction card and possession of a controlled substance, in which he had been released out on bond. Kysar has no previous felony convictions, and, therefore, his attorney asked for a reduction in bond to \$25,000.

Jay Rosenthal, deputy attorney for Boise County, stated that, "The State strongly opposes any reduction in bond."

## DECEMBER

## **Convicted of Murder**



"There is no excuse whatsoever for what I did, my behavior. I let the anger and the rage overtake me," Concetta Quijas said through choked tears. "I sincerely, truly am sorry, from the bottom of my heart. I am so ashamed of what I did. I'm no threat to the community or Donald." On January 20th, Boise County Deputies were dispatched to an address in Horseshoe Bend where they found a male victim with multiple knife wounds. The State, represented by Boise County's Chief Deputy Attorney, Spencer Lay, presented the facts, saying Quijas was in a relationship with the victim for 14 years, but it had ended 5 months prior to the attack. After obtaining a search warrant, a receipt was found, "It showed that on January 19th, [2018] Ms. Ouijas went to the Bi-mart in Emmett, Idaho and purchased two drop cloths that were plastic, essentially like large tarps. She also

purchased two rolls of duct tape. Those items were found at Mr. Gordon's house the following day, on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Once again showing premeditation. We also know because of the jealous phone calls and statements she made to the police that she had told members of her family, 'I'm going to kill Don.""

District Judge Jonathan Medema spoke to the guilty plea of this Attempted Murder charge, "I'll find that you are guilty of that offense." In determining her sentence, he considered several factors. He stated anything other than to incarnate her would be depreciation of the seriousness of the offense, and he would want to send an appropriate message to the community. "I do believe you are in need of rehabilitating treatment that would be best served by a setting of incarnation." The charging document, which she plead guilty to, read: "Willfully, deliberately, with premeditation, malice and forethought attempted to murder Donald Gordon, by cutting the front of his throat with a knife, the back of his neck with a knife and by stabbing him in the chest with a knife, intending to cause death." Quijas provided some reasoning for her actions, stating abuse of a grandchild, that the judge did not accept, "I simply don't believe that's true." There had been no testimony as to these accusations.

## AUGUST





Melissa Davlin (left - with Idaho Public Television), Rosemary Ardinger (Idaho City Historical Foundation), Dr. Liping Zhu (back/middle - author of "A Chinaman's Chance"), Libby Lok (front/center) and her family came to Idaho City's Pon Yam House to explore their rich heritage. Libby commented that The Idaho World was instrumental in her research. The family was even able to find a published list of wedding presents, for example - an ivory Photos by Eileen Capson handled fan.



Judge Medema next considered, "Why you did it, is important for my decision, because it helps me to decide how likely you are to do something like this again."

BOISE COUNTY

## OBITTUAJRY



Pamela Marie Briggs Madarieta 1952 - 2019

Pamela Marie Briggs Madarieta passed away December 7, 2018 after a battle with cancer. Pamn was born to Rolla and Ardis Briggs on June 29, 1952 in Pocatello, Idaho. A highlight of her childhood was when the family operated the Selway Lodge in Idaho's Selway Bitteroot Wilderness Area during the 1960's. She attended school in Salmon, Pocatello and Boise, graduating from Boise High School and later from BSU.

After high school Pamn lived in California and Germany. She then returned to Idaho and moved to Garden Valley in 1985. During this time, she was Mayor of Crouch [Mayor Eller] for five years.

Pamn discovered her passion in life --- mediation. She worked 20 years for the 4<sup>th</sup> District Court, where she implemented the Mediation Services Department. Pamn also worked for Boise County Community Justice Department as Community Service Director for juveniles and adults. She later began writing grants and was instrumental in starting "Juvenile Conflict Management" programs and "Settlement Day" for both Valley County and Boise County court systems. Her involvement in mediation included holding offices in professional organizations, serving on Idaho Supreme Court committees, and being a legislative intern. When she retired, Pamn continued teaching mediation classes for professional mediators.

Pamn was preceded in death by her parents, Rolla and Ardis Briggs, and her brother, Larry Briggs. She is survived by her two daughters Krista Madarieta (Jeff) Christensen and Brandi Eller (Ryan) Stirm; her four grandchildren and one great granddaughter; her sisters Debra (John) Harrington and Frieda (Jeff) Stevens; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank Eryn, Renee, and Hospice for the care of Pamn during her illness. At Pamn's request, donations can be sent to the St. Mary's Food Bank in Boise.

## Snowy Payette River



The beauty of the Payette River near Banks reminding us why we love it here! *Photo by Larry Grensing* 

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### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Case No. CV08-18-00098 (I.C. § 15-3-801)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BOISE

### IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRANCIS WELLS FISH, II Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above-named Decedent. All persons having claims against the Decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

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

DATED this 28 day of December, 2018.

Ana M. Fish 379 Clear Creek Road Boise, ID 83716

Matthew C. Parks, ISB No. 7419 mcp@elamburke.com

ELAM & BURKE, P.A. 251 East Front Street, Suite 300 Post Office Box 1539 Boise, Idaho 83701-1539 Telephone: (208) 343-5454 Facsimile: (208) 384-5844

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### ORDINANCE NO. 2019-01

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE CITY OF CROUCH, LIMITING THE AREAS WHERE FIREWORKS MAY BE DEPLOYED, TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE PUB-LIC AT LARGE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROUCH, BOISE COUNTY, IDAHO:

Section 1: That Ordinance No. 2017-03 be and hereby is, repealed in its entirety and replaced by the following:

FIREWORKS: It shall be unlawful for any person, except in compliance with this chapter to:

1. Alter any fireworks; 2. Throw any fireworks from, into or at a moving vehicle, or at any person, or into or at any structure;

store, po SS, charge, or use any fireworks at any time not permitted under Idaho Statute;

on the vegetative or other conditions during the current fire season as determined by the Fire Chief, provided that notice of such areas is given in advance.

A highlighted map of the above area is provided for reference.

5. Use fireworks at any location within the city limits of the City of Crouch during any period in which Boise County has enacted a countywide burning ban, or when Stage I or II fire restrictions are in place in the Boise National Forest. The City shall issue notice of said restrictions and bans by publication and posting at City Hall.

5. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to violate any of the provisions of this Chapter of the Crouch City Code, and any violation thereof shall constitute an infraction and shall be punishable by a fine of One hundred Dollars (\$100.00) excluding court costs and fees. An infraction is a civil public offense, not constituting a crime, which is punishable only by a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) and for which no period of incarceration may be imposed. There is no right to a trial by jury of a citation or complaint for an infraction and such trials shall be held before the court without a jury. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or which a violation occurs or continues. a. A second and any subsequent conviction of any violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter of the Crouch City Code within five years shall constitute a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more

than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) or by imprisonment for not more than thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

b. Fireworks being used in violation of this chapter shall be confiscated by law enforcement or by the Garden Valley Fire Protection District.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage. The Map is available at Crouch City Hall on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays.

PASSED by the Council and AP-PROVED by the Mayor of the City of Crouch, Idaho this  $9^{\rm th}\ day$ of January, 2019.

Janet Juroch, City Clerk

Published in the Idaho World on January 30, 2019.

tor Leader, Coroner Garlock, Treasurer Turner, Deed Processor Gullick, Deputy Clerk Dresslar, Deputy Clerk George, Deputy Clerk Whitney, Deputy Clerk Greenway. Commissioner Baker, Commissioner Jackson, Judge Cockerille, Clerk Prisco, Assessor Juszczak, Treasurer Turner & Coroner Garlock were administered the oath of office. The minutes for Tuesday, January  $8^{th}$ , 2019 were approved. Purchase requests for Road Department were approved. Generators at each school for shelter purposes during an emergency was discussed. Volunteers for the EOC was discussed. A payroll change for Gina Turner was approved. A brief update on the elections conference attended by Clerk Prisco & Deputy Clerk Dresslar ensued. Policies are still being updated. Issue tracking was updated. A liquor/catering permit was approved. Eleven demand warrants were approved. Reorganization of the Board ensued. A retirement letter from the Road & Bridge department was read onto record. Commissioner discussion/Committee reports were discussed. Future agenda topics were discussed. Adjourned. Approval, Chairman Ward. Attest, Clerk Prisco, Clerk to the Board.

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	Cit	y of Idaho City					
1st Quarterly Financial Report							
	Fisca	l Year-to-Date a	S				
December 31, 2018							
	PAYROLL	OPERATING	CAPITAL	PERCENTAGE OF			
FUND:	EXPENSES	EXPENSES	OUTLAY	APPROPRIATIONS			
General Fund	\$ 30,451.00	\$ 17,631.00	[]	17.45%			
Street Fund	4,961.00	12,686.00		26.54%			
Water Fund	29,562.00	25,834.00	-	18.27%			
Water Bond Fund		4,700.00	l i i	0.748%			
Sewer Fund	12,982.00	14,137.00		15.34%			
Citizens are invited to	inspect the de	tailed supportin	g records				
of the above financial	l statement.						
Nancy L Ptak							
City Clerk-Treasurer Published in the Idaho World							
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## East Boise County Ambulance **Newly Trained EMTs**



4. Use fireworks in any area that constitutes a threat to public health and safety, which is defined as follows:

### Within 300 feet of:

Middle Fork Road begina. ning at the East end of the Dirty Shame Parking Lot/Calvary Chapel property, Eastward on Middle Fork Road to the end of the Wander Inn property (486 S Middlefork Rd):

b. Old Crouch Road beginning at Crouch Bridge Northwest to the intersection of Old Crouch Road and Middle Fork Road;

The length of Market с. Street;

The entire GV Market/ d. MACU property including front and back parking lots and James Castle Square, Tucker Museum, Community Hall, City Hall

e. Any other areas that pose a severe fire threat based



BOISE COUNTY BOARD OF COM-MISSIONERS CONDENSED MINUTES MONDAY, JANUARY 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019-Miners' Exchange Building, Idaho City, Idaho, 83631

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Chairman Ward called the meeting to order and the pledge of allegiance was recited. Chairman Ward, Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner Baker, Clerk Prisco, Deputy Clerk Coffelt, Prosecutor Strong, Assessor Juszczak, Emergency Management Coordinator Showalter, Court Supervisor/Human Resources Director Schiffer, Community Justice Administra-

EAST BOISE COUNTY -- Congratulations to our EMT class for passing their practical tests on Sunday! There were 12 students in all, ranging from Garden Valley, to Idaho City and a Boise student. The class ran for two months, 5 classes. Now the students are prepared for the National EMT Testing, where they will become certified. This class was hosted by Unit 15 - Wilderness Ranch Volunteer Fire Department and East Boise County Ambulance District. Another class will be offered during the summer for all interested individuals. East Boise County Ambulance District is also in need of ambulance drivers, call 208-392-6644.

Photo by Eileen Capson





## **TAXES:**

AARP will be providing FREE income tax assistance and filing at the following locations till 4/12/2019. Garden Valley Library Thursdays 1-4 PM. Idaho City Library Saturdays 1-4. Or by appointment call 208 392-9934

## WANTED:

The Idaho City Historical Foundation is looking for donations of silverware. Particularly forks and knives. Not plastic but regular old silverware. It is for the st. Patrick's Day dinner. Donations of silverware can be dropped off at the Basin Library in Idaho City.

## **VENDORS WANTED:**

The Idaho City Community Club is having a Flea Market during the Chili Cook-Off. Would you please put in the want ad section an ad that says: Vendors wanted. Idaho City Community Club Flea Market-Chili Cook-Off weekend. February 15, 16, and 17. \$20 a table. Contact Theresa TenEvck at 209-392-4237

## **SPACE AVAILABLE:**

Retail space available at the Sarsaparilla. Idaho city, highway frontage. Call or stop by for more information. (208) 392-4484.

## WANTED **ROOM FOR RENT:**

Single female looking for a room to rent in the Idaho City area. (208) 392-6777.

### **HELP WANTED: IDAHO CITY:**

Basin School District #72 in Idaho City is accepting applications for a full time bus driver. Must have a Class B CDL. Salary is dependent on experience. Full benefits are included. District #72 is an equal opportunity employer. Applications are available at Idaho City High School office. Ask for a classified employment application. Questions call Russ Taylor at 208-284-7966.

### **HORSESHOE BEND:**

**The Horseshoe Bend School** District is looking for bus drivers (route drivers and substitutes) for the 2018-19 school year. Health insurance is offered. CDL training is offered and paid for by the school. Contact Trudy Carpenter for more information at carpentert@ hsbschools.org or (208)793-2225 ext. 1251.

arrests

• Responds to a variety of citizen complaints such as breakins, robberies, domestic quarrels, assaults and cases of vandalism; prepares initial investigation

reports on the scene of the crime; gathers evidence and interviews victims and

witnesses.

· Reports to accident scenes to render traffic control in the area; investigates cause

of accident and prepares report on details after determining responsibility for

same.

· Assists with the conduction of criminal investigations; serves as an agent of the

court in satisfying criminal warrants, subpoenas, writs of execution, restitution or attachment; locates persons named in criminal warrants and executes the same; takes disputed property into possession for the court; serves jury summons, complaints and notices of hearings; provides for the security of the court system

 Conducts searches for lost, missing, or drowned persons.

· Books prisoners into jail, fills out appropriate forms; stores trustee's belongings

and valuables; transports prisoners to and from court.

· Coordinates and cooperates with other law enforcement agencies including Idaho

State Police, adjoining County Sheriffs, and city law enforcement officers.

• Other tasks

### QUALIFICATIONS:

Knowledge: Working knowledge of all criminal, civil and traffic laws including investigation procedures. Working knowledge of modern law enforcement principles, procedures, techniques and equipment.

Skill: Effective communication skills, both verbal and written. Ability to react effectively in emergency and stress situations; follow standard safety practices and procedures common to law enforcement work. Must be in good physical condition and able to work long hours. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with fellow employees, other agencies, and the public.

and oral), Valid Idaho Driver's License, and High School Diploma or equivalent a must. Position will be paid \$12.75 per hour. To apply, submit to cjuszczak@co.boise. id.us the following: (1) a filled-out Boise County application form; (2) a cover letter; and (3) a resume. The start date is anticipated to be early February, but is somewhat negotiable. (2/13)

Boise County Road & Bridge Department is currently accepting applications for a Full Time Equipment Operator and a temporary Snow Plow Operator for the Garden Valley, Horseshoe Bend & Idaho City area. Minimum ClassACDL required. Applications may be obtained from the Boise County website (www.boisecounty. us) or contact the Road Department Office at 793-2380 or the Boise County Clerk's Office at 420 Main Street, Idaho City, ID 83631. Pre-employment Drug testing is required. Boise County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and gives Veteran's Preference in its hiring practices.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

Garden Valley: Dancing aerobics class for all fitness levels at 4:00pm on Wednesday at the GV Senior Center building. Dress comfy and bring a water bottle or two. This class is free and meant to be fun while getting an easy workout. One hour.

**Garden Valley Senior Center:** Every Tuesday and Thursday from 2-4pm is Fit & Fallproof Classes for strength and flexibility.

Guided programs each and every week. It's Free!!

Garden Valley Food Pantry: Open 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month from 4- 5 pm, located at the Calvary Chapel Church on the Middlefork Road in Crouch. Non-perishable foods or cash donations accepted. Contact Toni at 462-6929 or 462-4620.

Alcoholics Anonymous - Meet at the Crouch Community Church on Mondays & Thursdays at 5:30pm.

Horseshoe Bend Pantry is

Idaho City Food Pantry: At the Senior Center every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 11:30am to 2:00pm.

Idaho City: Fit & Fallproof Class on Tuesday & Thursday from 10am to 11am at the Boise Basin Senior Center.

## Idaho City: Interested in getting a Ham Radio License?

The Boise County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Group is holding a Study/ Test session on the last Saturday of each month.

Please contact Ron Wilson, AD7DQ, at 208-781-0677 or liquidh208@gmail.com for more information and to reserve a seat.

## 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Home For Sale by Owner



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## Wildland Fuel Mitigation Contractor **Opportunity in Boise County**

Boise County is seeking qualified contractors to complete Wildland Fuel Mitigation work. Interested contractors must have an active Idaho Public Works License and proof of liability insurance. The project consists of mitigation in the Robie and Clear Creek area. It will consist of approximately 90 acres. Bid Specification is available by contacting Trinia Richardson at 208-807-0073 or trichardson@co.boise.id.us. Deadline for receiving bids is 5:00p.m. February 5th. Bids will be opened by Boise County Commissioners February 12th in regular session, time to be posted on Agenda, and bid award will be February 19th, time to be posted on agenda, at the Miners Exchange, Idaho City. Project will adhere to Idaho Forest Practices Act Best Management Practices.

## BUSINESSE

### **BOISE COUNTY: Patrol Deputy**

BASIC FUNCTION: Performs a wide range of professional law enforcement duties intended to secure public safety and enforcement of laws within the bounds of Boise County.

MAJOR DUTIES: (illustrative only)

· Patrols assigned roadways to conduct routine patrols for violations of traffic laws and ordinances; performs routine patrols for crime prevention; determines violations and makes

Experience: An equivalent combination of experience, education, and training that provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities. Job Type: Full-time Salary: \$40,000.00 to \$45,000.00 /vear

**Boise County Property** Appraiser Position opening, located in Idaho City, which is approximately a 45 minute drive from East Boise area. This is a full time position (40 hours/week) will perform a wide range of duties. Primary duties include performing on site property inspections and data entry. Minimum computer skills, attention to detail, ability to work in extreme weather conditions (includes walking and or hiking steep terrain), ability to handle difficult situations, ability to communicate clearly (written

open on the 2nd & 4th Friday of the month, located at the WICAP building.

Horseshoe Bend - Tuesday's & Fridays-Hot meals at The Horseshoe Bend Senior Center. Lunch is served at 12:15 (Bingo immediately following). The center is located at 109 S. Riverside Drive. Recommended donation is \$ 5.00 for seniors at least 60 years of age, \$ 6.00 for everyone else. For transportation or meal delivery information call (208) 793-2344.

Horseshoe Bend - Wednesdays- American Legion Bingo. Corner Cafe, 446 ID-55 Horseshoe Bend. Games start at 6:30, twenty-five cents per card, 10 games 50/50 winnings split.

All Around Glass	
Boise County Sanitation, LLC	(208) 488-5908
Castle Mt. Homes - Contractor	(208) 462-2882
Dave's Welding/Auto Repair	.(208) 392-4270
Donna's Place in Placerville	(208) 392-9666
Garibaldi Charters	
Garden Valley Properties	.(208) 462-4620
Gary Brown's Mt. Motors	(208) 462-6134
High Ground Electric	(208) 342-0519
Idaho City Hardware	(208) 392-2271
John Ptak Construction	(208) 342-6013
Lara Alexander - Real Estate	
Laurinda Rice - Real Estate	(208) 362-4835
Medicare Benefits	(208) 350-9933
Miller Enterprises Trash pick up	(208) 793-2561
Mt. Properties for Sale	(208) 331-7929
Severance Sand & Gravel	(208) 462-3005
Sourdough Lodge	(208) 259-3326
Syringa Chiropractic/ Acupuncture.	(208) 866-8962
Terrace Lakes Resort	(208) 462-3933
Terry Peterson - Real Estate	(208) 608-4329
Frank Walker - Law Firm	

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## Lowman Ranger District Feeling the Squeeze of the Shutdown

## Written by Jeff Wright

LOWMAN -- Friday morning, on January 25th, a temporary agreement was reached between House and Senate Republicans/Democrats and the White House Administration to "temporarily re-open" the  $\sim 20\%$  portion of the federal government currently furloughed. The re-opening was also considered temporary. The

until Constitutional issues are keeping facilities up to snuff in settled.

In the meantime, 'discretionary' agencies, such as the Forest Service offices, as part of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, will re-open in Boise County, temporarily as well. The Lowman office has already seen significant impacts from the 34-day closure. Winter maintenance work schedules and forthose districts. There's no new money available and no way to plan properly.

"Congress needs to pass a budget, so that we can plan projects. We've been operating under Continuing Resolutions (CR) for a decade, so we don't know when new money may be available for long-planned work," he said. The shutdown

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disruptions only make that to re-open. worse.

"We're operating on wintertime staff with only 7 of 22 housing units in Lowman oc-

Bridger also stated that he and his wife, Debbie, are doing "OK" with the shutdown. He's had to call some of his credi-



The Lowman District office was closed during the shutdown.

cupied. I can't do any of the repair work in the empty units before the summertime staff arrives," he added.

Neither can he do snow removal around the facility, now. The District Ranger, John Kidd, has been doing that on his own time. There was also a broken water pipe in another facility which Bridger wasn't allowed to repair and just had to shut off the break and wait

tors to delay payment but all of them are cooperating and said they would work with government employees month-tomonth as events proceed.

The next round may be more interesting if the shutdown repeats. The march towards fire and summertime recreation season proceeds and there's more and more preparatory work piling up or going un-



Fire Service vehicles awaiting prep to be put into service for the upcoming fire season parked behind the Lowman District Office.

parties have 21 days, until February 15, to either reach a permanent agreement or shutdown the government again. Or, as the President said in his remarks in the Rose Garden announcing the temporary agreement to re-open, he again threatened to invoke a declared "State of Emergency" on the border. Under such an emergency, the President has said he would use Executive Authority to obtain money from elsewhere in the budget. He would then use that

est planning projects for 2019 have been delayed. So far, Forest Service employees have fared "OK," given the monthlong disruption.

However, if the President and Congress can't reach a doable agreement, another shutdown may commence in just a few, short weeks. Another shutdown will begin to have dramatic preparedness effects on the upcoming 2019 fire season. Ongoing clean-up and logging work from the Pioneer Fire of 2016 will also be affected. Ed Bridger, of the Lowman Forest District, supports maintenance and repair for Lowman, Cascade, and Emmett offices. He said the past decade has been tough in planning and



money to fund the Army Corps of Engineers, to build portions of a border wall, barrier, fence, or something similar. Critics of the plan have said it would almost certainly be halted immediately by court injunction

government shutdown. Photos by Jeff Wright







### January 22, 2019

**Present:** Commissioners Alan Ward and Roger Jackson Absent: Commissioner Laura Baker

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** [Time 9:03am to 9:31am] Per pending litigation, personnel issues, exempt records, hiring of an employee, and risk management. No action was required, coming out of this closed session.

**CONSTITUENT INPUT:** None

**MINUTES:** The January 14th meeting minutes were accepted.

**DEPARTMENT ISSUES:** SOLID WASTE/HWY 21/ **GRIMES CREEK DISCUS-**SION: The county may pursue a project and will need engineering to include the utility moves. There is no estimate on the construction yet. The corner CLERK: Prisco spoke rewill involve Idaho Transportation Department, U.S. Forprotocol." est Service and Boise County. Commissioner Ward clarified, "pushing that turn lane to the south, more up Highway 21, making a wider turn on that straight stretch." There is a fiber optic and phone line in BILLS: A motion was said the way. Commissioner Jackson suggested taking 10 to 20 feet out of the rock face on the north side of the intersection, \$90,480. to have better visibility for the people coming out of there. Commissioner Jackson said he had been talking to the Forest Service District Ranger. A representative of Solid Waste said, "I don't want to spend a lot vestment account. of money engineering some-**COMMISSIONER** thing that maybe we'll never do. But, if we improve that 21 intersection, then there's already a few trucks that use it. There's school busses every

ment, there's a lot of reasons regardless." Commissioner Jackson pointed out, "Because every truck that comes out of there is in the other lane, across that bridge." There have not been fatalities at that intersection, so it was said that it would be unlikely that they could get a grant, but they may be able to get some help with the engineering costs. The representative stated, "There are lots of options, but none of them are cheap." The county is looking to do much of the work, besides the engineering work that will be hired out.

**BOISE COUNTY POL-**ICY: Clerk Mary Prisco requested that the Chairman of the Board send out this policy to all the department heads and elected officials with his letter head. The letter was approved through a motion, as amended.

garding a policy for "password

**PROSECUTING ATTOR-**NEY: The Board passed a resolution to approve an increase in the Boise County Justice Fund – Prosecuting Attorney's Department fiscal 2019 budget.

by Commissioner Jackson to approve the Claims Approval Report in the amount of

**TREASURER:** Gina Turner asked that the name of the former treasurer be taken off the accounts. Commissioner Jackson motioned to take the name of April Hutchings from the in-

BY-LAWS: Chairman Ward asked if Commissioner Jackson had any suggested changes, and he did not. Ward commented, "It's not exactly how we do it here day, there's highway equip- though, to be honest with you."

Clerk Prisco said she was currently in the process of reviewing some of the policies that were developed at the same time and suggested a "major overhaul. Things aren't just put together, for, I'm not sure why. Some of the policies I'm looking at, there's just way too much information!"

Prisco also pointed out, for clarification, that the clerk was not over the agendas, the Board was

CUMO SUPPORT LET-TER: Chairman Ward clarified, "This comment period is about reviewing the Redline Assessment, and the review had to do with the Sacajawea or the SREA plant and it also had to deal with the Pioneer Fire burning through a segment of their exploration area. That's really all it's about." He quoted a letter, including: "In review of the Supplemental Redline Assessment, it seems to be positive and we would hope that they would be allowed to continue their exploration immediately." He continued speaking to Commissioner Jackson, "They aren't talking about opening up a mine. They just want to continue to explore it. That's all it's about." The commissioners tabled the approval on that letter, until the afternoon.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** [Time 10:17am to 10:58am] Per pending litigation, exempt records, personnel, hiring of new employee and risk management. Coming out of this closed session, under exempt records there were liens placed.

**ADVOCATE:** FAMILY Ms. Anderson spoke about some of the challenges families have in rural districts in the 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District and child protection. She also spoke about children in foster care. They rely on 150 volunteers for this program. The numbers for the state: "Last year, there were 2,936 children in out-of-home placements, in the entire State of Idaho. In our juridical footprint, which is Valley, Boise, Elmore and Ada County, there were 809 children that were in out-of-home placement. Of those 809 children, 409 were appointed to our program, and that's because they were under the age of 12." These volunteers as their "voice in court." Anderson said in regards to Boise County, from FY 2017 - FY 2018: "There was a 50% increase in the number of children who came into care."

She would like to find more volunteers in Boise County to represent these children. They recognize that Idaho is one of the fastest growing states in the nation and would like to find 6 volunteers in Boise County. The volunteers would visit the kids in the new placed foster care home. Commissioner Ward suggested she go to the local schools: "I just could not imagine that we couldn't find some folks who would be great advocates for Boise County, because that's where they all congregate." Anderson concluded, "My fear is that if we don't start to increase our base of volunteers up here, that voice is just going to get lost and I wouldn't want that to happen." [To become a CASA advocate, contact Anne McDonald at 208.345.3344 or http://www. familyadvocates.org/]

**EBCAD:** The Boise County Board recessed and came back in as the East Boise County Ambulance District Governing Board. Ward asked, "Do you want to talk about medical malpractice insurance discussion?" EBCAD Director, Melissa Potts said they had agreed to pay a portion of the doctor's insurance: "It was a little bit more than he had expected." The expected amount was \$1,000, but the bill of \$4,000 will be split 3-ways, between Wilderness Ranch Fire Protection District, Board of County Commissioners and EBCAD, which will be about \$1,333.

The Race to Robie Creek was discussed, in which they make "next to nothing," but they need to have an ambulance service there. Potts said they were stretched thin and they want eight EMTs. "I don't know if we can get eight EMTs." Ada County also provides EMTs, "I think they are required to provide so many EMTs per so many people. I know that Ada County charges an arm and a leg, so I think they're kind of using us as a cheap way to fill in the gap, but not really utilizing us when we're there." Emergency Manager Bob Showalter said they are required to have EMTs per so many people. He said there has to be some kind of agreement with the medical director to practice in this county. Commissioner Jackson recalled when he was commissioner in a prior term, years ago, that there was a policy or county ordinance that said the Ada County ambulance service could not come within Boise County, unless they were invited in by the ambulance service.

Chairman Ward suggested that they submit a public records request to Ada County to see how much their ambulance service is making on the Race to Robie Creek.

**EXECUTIVE** SESSION: [Time 2:02pm to 2:53pm] Per personnel, exempt records, and a case number. As the EBCAD Governing Board, no action was required.

BANKS LOWMAN HIGHWAY: Chairman Ward said they went up to take a look and will contact an individual to talk about the highway.

PASSWORDS: Keeping a secure record for passwords was discussed.

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