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New Commissioners are Sworn Into Office



Boise County's Board of County Commissioners as of January 11, 2021. Commissioners (L-R) Ryan Stirm - Dist. III, Steven Twilegar - Dist. 1, and Robert "Ted" Holmes - Dist. II.



Steven Twilegar County Commissioner District 1

Photos by Eileen Capson



Robert Holmes Boise County Commissioner District II

BOISE COUNTY -- Commissioners Steven Twilegar and Robert Holmes were each sworn in as Boise County Commissioners. They took an oath to support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Idaho, and will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Boise County Commissioner to the best of their ability.

The Board then discussed the Commission Bylaws, procedures, and discussed appointments to other boards, such as Health and Welfare.



Scott Turner was sworn in as the Boise County Sheriff, after previously being appointed as the interim Sheriff to finish out the term.



Adam Strong was sworn in as the Boise County Prosecutor by Chairman Stirm. He had previously been appointed to the position.

Outgoing Commissioners' Parting Words and Presents

BOISE COUNTY -- In a collaborative effort, a parting gift was specially designed for each of the outgoing commissioners, so they could remember their time as elected officials for Boise County.

Alan Ward asked, "Should I be scared?" Clerk Mary Prisco responded, "You should be. It reads: Thank you for your service to Boise County, 2015-2020." Ward laughed and said, "Yeah, alright! That is a thing of beauty. I have complained about the carpet in here since the day I showed up, so this is what they're giving me. This is fabulous!" Roger Jackson pitched forward and laughed. Clerk Prisco further explained that it was quality wool carpet, "but we always say it kind of reminds us of a brothel or something like



Commissioner Jackson warned the new incoming commissioners, "You've got a really, really hard job ahead of you with the Avimor subdivision project." *Photos by Eileen Capson*

that." Ward added with humor, "A burlesque show." This sample of wool carpet with which the gifts were made had come from an additional remnant that was found by employees. Jackson admitted

with a large smile, "I like the carpet! It's just Alan that didn't like it." Ward responded with a shake of his head, "That's why it's still here."



"What a great team of people that we've worked with here over the last few years. A great team of people that get the job done and care about the county very deeply. It's been a real pleasure."

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BOISE COUNTY

Garden Valley Wolverine Basketball and Wrestling







Gavin Kelly 152lbs

Photos by Ralph Foote



Pictured: Covy Kelly (above)

Jorden Castillo (center) #0. Josh Gillespie (right) made a flying dunk, which would normally have had the home crowd on their feet. should they have been allowed to attend.

The Wolverines competed againt Parma at home on January 7, 2021. Garden Valley came away with a big win, 63-42!





Wrestling team members include: Daniel Martinez 120lbs, Maximus Good 132lbs, Gavin Kelly 152 lbs, Nate Gillette 152lbs, Ayden Galck 190lbs, Nate Willoughby 285lbs, Tyler Easterday 285lbs.

Garden Valley Senior & Social Center News

By Cathy Garner

I hope this finds everyone warm and well. The GVSC has had another busy week and was able to distribute 44 Food Boxes. The Senior Assistance pilot program recipients list is filling up quickly. Please be aware that this program operates on a first come, first serve basis.

CORRECTION for a statement made in my last article about the FREE Tax Preparation service starting up in February at the GVSC. This is NOT a service provided by the Garden Valley Senior Center. The certified tax accounting

professionals will be utilizing the Center as a COVID-safe location/space to perform the tax preparation work. In previous years this service was provided at the local Library. That facility could not be used this year due to the COVID-19 precautions. The Center is large enough to accommodate the spacing requirements and the appointments will be scheduled out so that not too many people will be in the Center at any given time. Additional details will be provided as we get closer to February. Please accept my sincerest apologies

for any misunderstanding.

For those of you who use Amazon, we want to announce that the GVSC is now listed as a non-profit organization on Amazon Smile. If you would like to participate in this program and donate to the Center, please look for GARDEN VALLEY SENIOR, Inc. as the business name.

THANK YOU for your continued support! Please check out our online calendar at: www.gvseniorcenter.org or call us at (208) 462-3943 with any questions.



BOISE COUNT

Boise County Sheriff's Incident Log

12/26/2020 - Saturday

7:58 Slide Off

12:17 Overdue Person – Son is travelling in a gray Jeep from Sun Valley with brother to California. Mom has not heard from him in several hours.

13:14 Accident - Two vehicle fender bender, no lane blockage.

12:23 Accident - One vehicle roll over

11:45 Accident – Roll over 14:10 Slide off – cars sliding all over the place and would like some sand on the road

14:10 Welfare Check Needs a welfare check on friends as they haven't been heard from in a few days.

14:55 Suspicious Circumstance - Found a backpack with weapon inside.

14:46 Civil Complaint -Property easement dispute

15:18 911 Hang Up - no voice and possible pocket dial. No answer.

14:44 Abandoned Vehicle two vehicles- Ford and Chevy

15:53 Accident – One vehicle accident and noninjury.

15:31 911 – Muffled voices, no answer

16:04 Accident Vehicle -Kia was hit by Subaru on Bogus Basin Rd. No injuries.

15:54 Slide Off – Two trucks and a quad stuck

16:32 Abandoned Vehicle -Tagged for 48 hours

16:16 Slide Off - 20 foot UHAUL needs winch out from ditch

16:56 Abandoned Vehicle -Tovota Corolla

17:28 Motorist Assist - Broken down vehicle partially on highway

18:00 Medical – Male possibly having stroke

20:21 Fire Structure – States there is a structure on fire on hill

20:14 DUI - Arrested

20:16 Suicidal Subject

22:46 Medical – States he's having an asthma attack

23:48 Domestic – Boyfriend won't get out of car

12/27/2020

0:18 Lost Property - Lost wallet

2:49 Overdue Person -Looking for daughter

10:10 911 Hang Up - No an-

13:39 Overdue Person – Mom left home four hours ago and hasn't arrived in Boise. Driving an Acura.

13:40 Citizen Complaint -Neighbor will not move his vehicle off person's property.

14:08 Citizen Complaint -Several cars parked in the road-

14:12 Accident ATV – Mom flipped on ATV and is bleeding from head

15:14 Accident – Got hit by another car and can't find a place to pull off. No injuries.

15:23 Suspicious Person -Male parked in the lane of travel slumped over steering wheel.

15:02 Abandoned Vehicle -Parked on Horseshoe Bend hill, partially blocking the northbound lane.

16:17 Public Assist - Reported a stolen vehicle to Ada County Sheriff Office and it is possibly at a Garden Valley address.

16:27 Abandoned Vehicle -Hyundai Sonata

16:36 Accident - Two vehicle accident Chevy Cobalt and Ford Ranger

16:48 Accident

15:30 911 Hang Up - No an-

15:52 911 Hang Up - Dispatch attempted to redial the number, but had been disconnected.

17:14 Motorist Assist – Individuals tried to take back road from Clear Creek to Robie and got stuck in the snow.

17:20 Traffic Hazard - Vehicles parking in road.

18:05 DUI – SUV crossing into oncoming traffic, has back hatch open.

19:04 Reckless - States vehicle passing on double yellow line.

12/28/2020

7:18 Accident – Two vehicle accident with lane blockage.

8:18 Prisoner Transport – Three prisoners to transport to courthouse

7:47 Prisoner Transport -Transport prisoner to eye doc-

10:30 Information - Chevy Astro Van with flat tire

10:57 Alarm Residence - Garage/Carport 2nd event

12:04 Slide Off – Blue SUV slid off, trying to dig out

12:47 Lost Property – Was snowshoeing at Pine Flats and was cleaning out pack and realized his gun was missing - .38 Special Smith and Wesson with metal clip on side to attach to

13:36 Medical Transport -Female with arm pain requesting Life Flight.

13:55 VIN Inspection

14:23 Civil Process Service – **Protection Order**

14:50 Civil Process Service – Subpoena

14:13 Citizen Complaint -Neighbor is throwing wood and snow on his house with snowblower. He has it on video.

15:10 Medical - 50 yr. old with broken leg.

16:08 Road Hazard – People parked and sledding causing vehicles to go in ditch. They are on a blind corner.

17:06 Motorist Assist – Toyota Tundra broken down and requesting tow.

18:37 Traffic – Silver Lexus Wagon is driving so slow and will not pull over to allow cars

19:12 Shots Fired – States she heard shots fired close by.

22:08 Suspicious Circumstance – States individuals are driving backhoe around

12/29/2020

9:37 Accident - Red SUV in

8:47 Citizen Complaint -States that tow company is blocking alleyway

11:50 911 Hang Up

12:28 Property Damage -States a vehicle drove off and tore off gas hose as well.

12:37 Civil Process Service – No contact order

13:43 Civil Standby - Civil standby to pick up vehicle and personal items, court ordered.

14:40 Slide Off - Car in snow drift partial lane blockage

14:41 Road Hazard - Vehicle in lane of traffic

17:17 Arrest Warrant – Arrested subject with Boise County warrant

17:27 Controlled Substance - Possession of Marijuana

16:11 Information - Fire Chief page out members to report to fire station

17:51 Stolen Article – Stolen

12/30/2020

1:32 Health and Welfare -Concern for numerous children of all ages

2:09 Information – Tow on Middle Fork Rd.

10:41 Alarm Residence – Basement door alarm going off with ADT. No contact with cli-

13:35 Medical – Male having stomach pain

9:29 Juvenile – States his daughter has a possible cyber stalker from website

15:25 Road Hazard – 5 cars parked on roadway and ITD snowplows need them moved.

12:51 Disturbing the Peace Snowmobilers are racing up and down the road and on people's property.

18:31 Fire Vehicle – Black Ford 150 on fire

19:20 Animal – States that there are two wolves getting into the garbage and several others in the distance.

12/31/2020

10:02 Accident - One vehicle rollover with entrapment

10:35 Accident - One vehicle accident with injuries.

12:42 Slide Off

11:54 911 Hang up – Could

hear laughing, no answer on

13:39 Accident - Vehicle in creek

13:42 Accident - One Vehicle pulled over to let cars by and slid into a tree

13:13 Slide Off

14:53 Reckless – Audi crossing yellow line, passing, flipping people off

9:48 Health and Welfare Referral

11:46 Welfare Check – Hasn't heard from her friend for awhile

14:47 Death Notification

19:19 Accident Vehicle -States they slid off the road due

21:01 Fire Structure – States possible structure fire

22:37 Domestic - Possible argument

23:11 Public Assist - Husband fell and can't get up. 22:24 Possession of Mari-

juana and two minors in possession of alcohol 23:59 Suicidal Subject

1/1/2021

2:30 Sexual Assault

11:28 Fish & Game Violations - States someone killed an elk on his property last night

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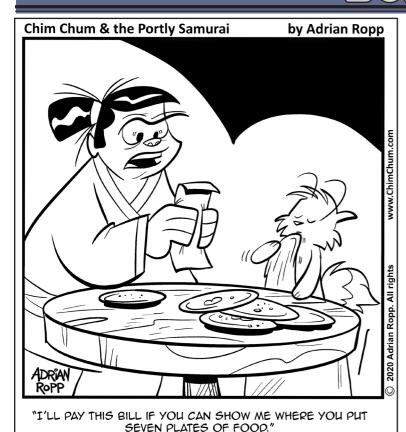
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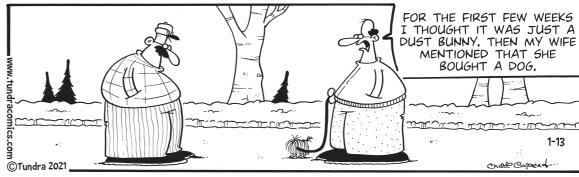
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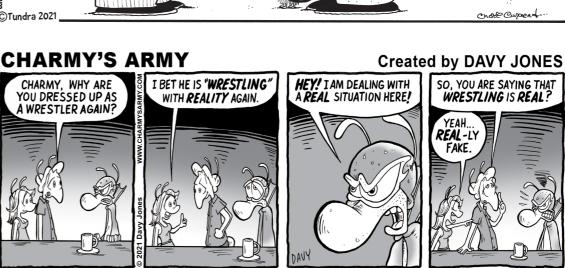
The family of Grace E. Hawkins gratefully acknowledges the kind expressions of sympathy and support received on her passing.

A celebration of her life is planned for June 5th, 2021 at the Ladies Club Hall in Horseshoe Bend.

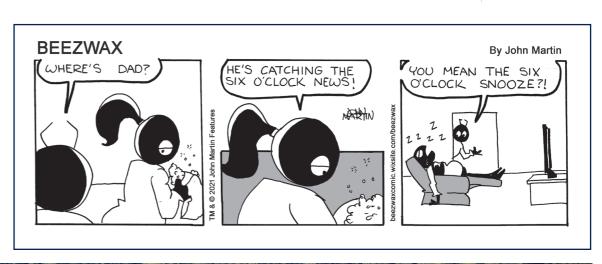
BOISE COUNTY













COUNTY COMMISS

Transcribed by Eileen Capson

January 5, 2020

Commissioners **Present:** Ryan Stirm, Roger Jackson, and Alan Ward

Pledge of Allegiance

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Hiring of employees [Time closed 9:03am to 9:26am]. No action required.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: management. [Time closed meeting 9:26am to 9:46am] No action required.

CONSTITUENT INPUT: None

DEPARTMENTAL IS-**SUES**

EMERGENCY MANAG-ER: The Emergency Operation Plan was briefly discussed with its procedures, contained in a large document that took Bob Showalter 3 ½ years to complete. He would like the prosecutor to go through it.

SHERIFF: Scott Turner said they had been turned down several times by Search and Rescue to respond. "They are still available for technical rescues and foot search and rescues, but those instances where we have people that are further back in and they require mechanized equipment to get to them." They are looking to purchase snowmobiles for the department, along with a trailer. Clerk Mary Prisco said there was a total of about \$33,000, which would cover the cost. Commissioner Jackson made a motion to pay the bill for \$29,000. This would include two snowmobiles and the trailer. Sheriff Turner thanked the commissioners.

The e911 lines were discussed with their yearly con-Commissioner Stirm made a motion to approve the contract in the amount of \$25,240.

WALL: The sheriff would like to replace the computer fire wall in their server room. It does not work well with some of their programs, registration, and dispatch. Chairman Stirm made a motion to approve the quote for \$3,418 for a new fire wall for the Sheriff's office.

ASSESSOR: Chris Juszczak spoke regarding a tax cancelation for a doublewide trailer home that's full of mold due to moisture, which will take more to repair than it's worth. "We look at stuff with mold pretty often, but having a professional report really blew my mind. Like one square foot of mold in your house, in the right area, will contaminate your whole

entire house." He spoke about contamination and the individual may want to donate it to Robie Creek Volunteer Fire Department for structure fire practice. Commissioner Ward motioned for a tax cancelation in the amount of \$626.

TRUCK: A grant through Idaho Parks and Rec. will cover the cost of a new truck that is used to haul the boats around. There are some matching funds which will be covered by the Sheriff's office. Commissioner Ward motioned to approve the grant application to replace the truck per the Sheriff's vessel fund, with the match amount of \$8 417

RESOLUTION: An adjustment was made to the prosecutor attorney/ juvenile justice budget.

SUBDIVISION: A subdivision plat vacation amendment was approved.

GARDEN VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT: Commissioner Jackson made a motion to pay the demand warrant for GVFPD in the amount of \$1,443 for reimbursement of COVID.

WILDERNESS RANCH FIRE PROTECTION DIS-**TRICT:** Commissioner Jackson made a motion to pay the demand warrant for WRFPD in the amount of \$93.50 for reimbursement of COVID.

IDAHO CITY FIRE PRO-TECTION DISTRICT: Commissioner Jackson made a motion to pay ICFPD in the amount of \$267 for reimbursement of COVID.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Per exempt records [closed session from 10:10am to 10:14am] No action required.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Per hiring a new employee. [closed session from 10:15 to 11:03am] No action required.

BUREAU OF LAND **MANAGEMENT**: Skinny Dipper Hot Springs has issues. BLM did initiate a 5-year closure that is fixed to expire in April or May. Future maintenance or extending the closure were discussed. Commissioner Ward asked if there had been several deaths there, and the representative said there had been, along with domestic issues and drug use that law enforcement has been called in for. The parking is also dangerous there. There was a fire that went through there and gravel washed down in the pits. Commissioner Jackson asked why people had died there. Commissioner Ward responded that "if memory serves me. alcohol and falling was almost all of it. Lost in the dark coming off of there, very cliffy, rugged country." The representative admitted that it was a very dicey trail, even when you're not drunk. Sheriff Turner said it was a challenge to get personnel in there and there's parking out on the roadway. There have been a lot of problems and he encouraged them to keep it closed. Emergency Manager Bob Showalter said that there were other, safer, hot springs. Sheriff Turner said they are consistently having issues at the current hot springs with the amount of people coming up. Commissioner Jackson said he hates to see anything close, but if there's that much trouble there and people are dying, it's best to keep it closed. Commissioner Ward said he didn't know of any deaths down there in the past five years. The pools have filled in with rock. An individual had considered caretaking the area and developing it. The representative said the Skinny Dipper Hot Springs is actually located on Bureau of Reclamation land, which may be transferred to the BLM. Selling the land was also discussed for development down the line. Commissioner Ward said there were plenty of hot springs opportunities in Boise County.

The Quartzburg Mine was discussed. There was a proposal to do some mining along Granite Creek, on BLM land. It would involve rerouting Granite Creek to where the old stream was. They are working with the Army Corps of Engineers as far as dredging. They are putting together an environmental analysis and will release that to the public. Commissioner Jackson pointed out that there was a lot of mercury in that creek. The representative said they had pulled some gold out of the creek to test.

The BLM is also working on Charcoal Gulch, located off of McIntire Road, where an adjacent landowner is concerned about the amount of brush. They are looking to do some thinning and restoration work.

PUBLIC DEFENSE: Financial assistance, updating information, and other issues per a report were discussed with a representative via phone.

PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUES FOR NOISE AND DISORDERLY ORDI-**NANCE:** The commissioners made some changes, including the time 11 pm to 6am, and a distance of 200+ feet from the place of the noise. The restitution piece was taken out, because it would be covered as a misdemeanor. Commissioner Ward stated that people will want to set their fireworks off at midnight. Chairman Stirm stated that it involves officer discretion. Sheriff Turner said a lot of it boils down to common sense, "If somebody maliciously is trying to disrupt the neighborhood." Commissioner Stirm made a motion to adopt the Boise County Noise Ordinance, 2021.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Ward called for a closed executive session per personnel. [Time 1:22 pm to 1:30 pm] No action was required.

EAST BOISE COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT: Ms. Potts spoke about the upcoming EMT class, which was budgeted for. The course will be offered in Idaho City. They have just started advertising. Chairman Stirm motioned to approve the EMT class for the district in the amount of \$7,275.

EBCAD Director Potts stated that Health and Welfare had come out with a crisis standard of care. It's a framework plan that has already been implemented. A male individual associated with the district stated: "Now that we're in crisis mode, if COVID gets really bad here, we could potentially in a way reduce our standard of care. Ask people who are ambulatory, if they have a way to do it, take themselves to the hospital." Ms. Potts said that it wasn't just EMS, but Emergency Management and hospitals.

Steamboat Gulch sledding hill has had lots of broken legs, potential broken backs, and concussions. There were 500 cars that went through there over the weekend. They may need to hire EMS, because it's taking away from local resources.Commissioner Ward is considering a formal complaint to the Idaho Department of Lands. It is located outside of Idaho City's city limits.



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Horseshoe Bend Mustang Basketball

Written by Tracy Koslosky

HORSESHOE BEND -- The Horseshoe Bend Varsity Mustangs had the home court advantage after the winter break when they hosted the Victory Charter Vipers in a non-conference game on Tuesday, January 5. Trailing by six points at the end of the 1st quarter (12-18) and the 2nd (23-29) the Mustangs couldn't regain their footing and took the loss, 42-72. Junior Colten Meyer was the team's high scorer with 14 total points (one 3 point basket, five 2 point baskets, one free throw). Also on the scoreboard were junior Decker Larson with 10 total points (four 2 point baskets, two free throws), junior Keegan Smith with 7 total points (three 2 point baskets, one free throw), freshman Porter Larson with 5 total points (two 2 point baskets, one free throw), freshman Nic Cooper with 3 total points (three free throws), and freshman Layth Bromgard with one 2 point basket.

The Mustangs continued at home on Thursday, January 7th when they hosted the Idaho City Wildcats. After the Wildcats scored first, Horseshoe Bend pulled out all the stops and never trailed again taking the win 64-37. Larson was the biggest point contributor with 24 total points (one 3 point basket, ten 2 point baskets, one free throw) followed by Bromgard with 13 total points (one 3 point basket, five 2 point baskets). Contributing 6 total points each, (three 2 point baskets), were Smith, sophomore Blayne Meyer, and P. Larson. C. Meyer had 5 total points (one 3 point basket, one 2 point basket). Bromgard and freshman Kaelun Jones each had one 2 point basket. The varsity team is at home on Friday, January 15 for a game against their fellow 1A Longpin Division II team, the Salmon River Savages (tip-off is at 6:00 p.m.) and they travel to Cascade to take on the Ramblers in a conference game on Saturday, January 16 (tip off at 7:30 p.m.) before returning to their home court on Tuesday, January 19 for another Longpin Division conference game against the Council Lumberjacks (tip off at 6:00 p.m.) Due to COVID-19 protocols those in attendance will be invited guests only. Fans can watch the livestream using the link on the Horseshoe Bend Mustang Athletics Facebook page.



Junior Decker Larson (right) goes up for the rebound during a Horseshoe Bend Varsity basketball home game against Victory Charter on January 5. The Mustangs lost 42-72. Also pictured: Ju**nior Colten Meyer** (left, in white). Photo by Tracy Koslosky



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Photo courtesy of Horseshoe Bend Mustang livestream on Facebook

Written by Tracy Koslosky

HORSESHOE BEND -- After a 22-day hiatus the Horseshoe Bend Varsity Lady Mustang basketball team returned to the court on Saturday, January 9. The team hosted the Cascade Ramblers in a 1A Longpin Division II conference game at 1:00 p.m. The Lady Mustangs held their own and gained the lead at the end of the 1st quarter 8-6. In the 2nd quarter the Mustangs started to slip and fell 13-25 at the end of the first half. Scoring only 6 points in the 3rd quarter had the Ladies down 19-44. In the 4th, two key players, freshman Torey Tschida and junior Lilly Fellom, found themselves in foul trouble with 4 individual fouls apiece. Freshman Annelie Wilson left the game after the end of the 3rd quarter and with no replacements on the bench Tschida and Fellom were forced to play the remainder of the 4th quarter gingerly. In the end the Ramblers took the win 53-31. Tschida was the game's top scorer with 10 total points (three 2 point baskets, four free throws). Fellom followed with 7 total points (two 2 point baskets, three free throws) while Wilson had 6 total points (three 2 point baskets). On the score board with 4 total points each were freshman Abby Howerton (two 2 point baskets) and junior Kenzie Renfro (one 2 point basket, two free throws). The Ladies team is at home on Friday, January 15 for a game against their fellow 1A Longpin Division II team, the Salmon River Savages (tip-off is at 7:30 p.m.) and they travel to Cascade to take on the Ramblers in a conference game on Saturday, January 16 (tip off at 6:00 p.m.) before returning to their home court on Tuesday, January 19 for another Longpin Division conference game against the Council Lumberjacks (tip off at 7:30 p.m.) Due to COVID-19 protocols those in attendance will be invited guests only. Fans can watch the livestream using the link on the Horseshoe Bend Mustang Athletics Facebook page.

Photo (below) by Tracy Koslosky



Freshman Torey Tschida sinks a free throw during the Horseshoe Bend Lady Mustang's game on January 9. Tschida was the high scorer in the game against the Cascade Ramblers.



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rigation water management, and land reclamation.

Mission

Set high standards for conrelated natural resources and encourage cooperation among landowners, government agencies, private organizations and elected officials, through education, technical support and financial assistance.

Coordinate conservation activities and disseminate natural resources information to organizations and the public.

To learn more, join, or just ask questions, please contact Leanne at (208)963-4693.

Scott Henderson Joined the Squaw Creek Soil Conservation District and the Gem Soil and Water Conservation District Conservation Partnership in 2005 as a District Conservationist for the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS). The Squaw Creek Soil Conservation District recognizes his willingness to get his feet wet in carrying out conservation practices that benefit the cooperators and the resource conservation and the districts program. Scott is the Outstanding District Partner of 2020 for the Squaw Creek Soil Conservation District.



2020 Partner Award



2020 SCD Cooperator

Photos courtesy of Squaw Creek Soil Conservation District

Mike Fry Joined the Squaw Creek Soil Conservation District in 1985, a third-generation rancher and farmer in the Horseshoe Bend area and is now working with Sarah, his next generation in the cow-calf and having operation. He is recognized for his life-long care of the land and related resources as well as encouraging his neighbors to manage the soil and water resources for the best protection and yield to benefit the natural resources. Mike is the District Outstanding Cooperator of 2020.

Boise County's Deer & Elk



A family or herd of deer.

Photo by Tracy Koslosky



A buck gets a nibble of grass on a bluff overlooking the Payette River in Horseshoe Bend. Photo by Tracy Koslosky



Momma elk with her two calves in Garden Valley. Photo by Marjolein Lolkema



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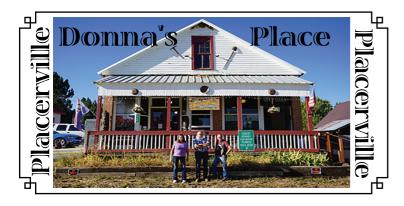
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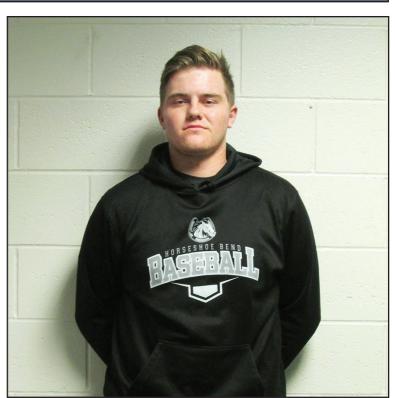




Football Champs in Boise County

Written by Tracy Koslosky **BOISE COUNTY --** The votes have been tabulated and Horseshoe Bend High School had one standout from the 2020 Football season, junior Keegan Smith (pictured). Weighing in at 220 pounds and measuring 6'3" the Horseshoe Bend Mustang defensive lineman made the 1A Division II All-Idaho football team. Smith also made the second team as an offensive lineman. Other exceptional Boise County players were offensive wide receiver Josh Gillespie, defensive lineman Devin Yearly, and defensive linebacker Covy Kelly from Garden Valley.

Photo by Tracy Koslosky





A White-tailed buck attempted to sneak by unnoticed.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LEGAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That the Boise County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on January 19th, 2021 at 1:15 P.M. in Commission Chambers in Idaho City regarding a Partial Plat amendment for the Flowing Springs Ranch Subdivision, in the Robie Creek area. All interested persons are invited to attend this meeting. Special accommodations for persons with disabilities will be provided upon advance request to the Clerk's Office 208-392-4431.

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NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING LEGAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That the Boise County Planning & Zoning

Commission will hold a Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at the Garden Valley High School Multipurpose room 1053 Banks Lowman Rd Garden Valley ID, 83622 to hear the following applications: Craig Creek Cottages Conditional Use Permit the continued deliberation on the Avimor Planned Community and proposed ordinance amendment. All interested persons are invited to attend this meeting. Members of the public are encouraged to participate via the Zoom link which will be posted on the Boise County Planning and Zoning web page. Special accommodations for persons with disabilities will be provided upon advance request to the Planning & Zoning Office 208-392-2293.

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City Clerk-Treasurer

January 6, 2021

The following application(s) have been filed to appropriate the public waters of the State 65-24007

LEIGH WARD JAN WARD

126 WARM SPRINGS RD GARDEN VALLEY, ID 83622-5076 Point of Diversion SENWSW S33 T10N R04E BOISE County Source SPRINGS Tributary WARM SPRINGS CREEK

Use: HEATING 01/01 to 12/31 0.34 CFSåTotal Diversion: 0.34 CFS

Date Filed: 12-17-2020 Place Of Use: HEATING T10N R04E S33 NESW

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact the Western office at (208)334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see https://idwr. idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/ WRApplicationResults/. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 W AIRPORT WAY, BOISE ID 83705-5082 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 1/25/2021. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant. GARY SPACKMAN, Director

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NOTICE OF LETTING

Idaho Project No. C200002, in Various Counties, Proposal No. C200002; for the work of Applying herbicides to control vegetation along roadsides.

Sealed Proposals will be received only at the office of the IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, 3311 WEST STATE STREET, BOISE, IDAHO 83703, ATTN: ADVERTISEMENT & AWARD until two o'clock p.m. on February 2, 2021.

For additional information contact the Contract Administrator:

Name: Shawn Strong Phone: 208-830-3610 Email: Shawn.Strong@itd.ida-

Digital copies of the Plans, Proposals, and Specifications must be downloaded for a fee of \$15.00. Bidders must appear on the plan holders list for their proposal to be accepted by the Department. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdninfo.com for assistance in downloading and working with this digital project information.

General Bidding information and Specifications may be obtained from the Idaho Transportation Department website at http:// itd.idaho.gov/business/

This contract requires full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which protects persons from being denied the benefits of or excluded from participation in programs or activities; or subjected to discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, Limited English Proficiency or economic status. The Bidder is encouraged to utilize the goods and services of disadvantaged firms in accomplishing the tasks or providing the services of this agreement, and to provide equal opportunity to all subbidders and suppliers.

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PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Horseshoe Bend will hold a public hearing on January 20, 2021 for the purpose of discussing the water/ sewer rate study conducted by Jeremy Piersol and the raising of water/sewer rates. The Horseshoe Bend City Council will hear public testimony and written testimony from citizens at that time. A copy of the water/sewer study is on the City website at Horseshoe Bend Idaho.org

The public hearing will be held on January 20. 2021 at 7:00pm at Horseshoe Bend City Hall 112 Ada Street, Horseshoe Bend, Idaho. We ask that written testimony be submitted to City Hall no later than January 19, 2021 to City of Horseshoe Bend, P.O. Box 246, Horseshoe Bend, Idaho 83629.

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Opinions ~ **Letters to the Editor**

I would like to congratulate the City of Idaho City for stepping up and providing a service that is so much needed for the health and safety of this community. I'm referring to the city plowing the road to the airport and the emergency landing zone. Several years ago a few of us tried to find someone that would make that happen as ambulance workers were having to carry gurneys to the helicopter over two or three feet of snow. At that time, the various agencies involved couldn't find a way to make it happen - apparently the city in recent years has just decided to "get'er dun" and I am glad. Thank you, Idaho City!

John P. Roberts **Idaho City**

Well it's certainly winter, the plow trucks are up and out at 3am, and it's Saturday. I think because the Road Dept. is so UNDER-MANNED, they have to start earlier to get all the roads plowed and sanded ahead of the commuters, recreation folks etc. It's the same old BS story, the pay sucks.

No one wants a full time job with all the benefits, no driving to Boise when they see the

The equipment has been updated to do the jobs, but no one to fill those seats.

I know for a fact that Bill Jones submits a budget every year asking for a raise for the guys. He has the funds to do so. But when it's time to discuss this to make it happen, he has been turned down stating, "If we can't give everyone across the board a raise. then we can't do it." This is the Road Dept. asking for their employees, not the assessors, Sheriff's office etc. No wonder no one wants to work here at a few steps above the poverty level. It's a damn good thing my wife retired so I got her off my health insurance. Finally I got a paycheck.

I knew when we signed up for this job the wages offered, but wouldn't you think after 32 years there would be some substantial increase. With Boise County being a bedroom community to Boise, the demand for better roads and services are sure there. You have to pay for this sooner or later.

The Road Dept. does a Bang Up job with the people they

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City of Idaho City 1st Quarterly Financial Report Fiscal Year-to-Date as December 31, 2020 **OPERATING** AMOUNT PERCENTAGE OF REVENUE **APPROPRIATIONS** GENERAL GOVERNMENT **EXPENSES BUGETED** \$ 13,311.33 \$ 22,726.00 \$ 97,437.00 13.66% Administative 16,795.55 Law Enforcement 219.15 \$ 135,335.00 12.41% \$ 30,106.88 | \$ 22,945.15 | \$ 232,772.00 **Total Government** 12.93% 4,919.89 \$ 7,084.16 \$ Street Fund 63,734.00 7.72% 56,068.41 \$ 52,691.95 Water Fund 9.77% 573,672.00 Water Bond \$ 19,707.50 \$ 63,400.00 31.08% \$ 16,820.78 \$ 30,654.04 \$ 184,073.00 Sewer Fund 9.14% BUDGET TOTAL **\$ 127,623.46** | **\$ 113,375.30** | **\$1,117,651.00** 11.42%

Citizens are invited to inspect the detailed supporting records of the above financial statement. Nancy L Ptak 511 Main Street

Idaho City, ID 83631 Murphy Pizzas to take & bake or we can cook it. Published in the Idaho World on 1/13/2021. 208-392-4584

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With everything that is still going on due to the COVID-19, we are following CDC guidelines and we encourage everyone to still do the social distancing.

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Boise County Road & Bridge Department has an opening for a full time Equipment Operator in the Garden Valley area. Application and Job Description can be printed from the Boise County website www.boisecounty.us, or call (208)793-2380. Submit Boise County employment application to mnewman@co.boise.id.us or mail to Boise County Road & Bridge Department, 39 Brownlee Road, Horseshoe Bend, ID 83629. Pre-employment drug testing is required. Boise County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and gives Veteran's preference in its hiring practices.

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 and oral), Valid Idaho Driver's License, and High School Diploma or equivalent a must. Position will be paid \$14.00 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 January, but is somewhat negotiable.

We are looking to add new members to our team! The Springs and Inn The Pines are working on a plan to re-open in the near future. We will be hiring for various positions to include Front Desk, Poolside Server and Attendant. Must be 19 years of age or older to be considered for the server positions. Must also be available to work days, nights, and weekends. Interviews will begin the second week of November.

If interested in any of the above positions, please fill out our online form and attach a resume at the following: https://thespringsid.wufoo.com/forms/apply-online-to-join-the-team-at-the-springs/

Boise County Road & Bridge Department is currently accepting applications for a temporary Snow Plow Operator for the Idaho City area. 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. Applications accepted until the position is filled. Pre-employment Drug testing is required. Boise County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and gives Veteran's Preference in its hiring practices.

Position: Office Assistant for the Prosecutor's Office

Our office is located in Idaho City, which is an approximately 45-minute drive from the East Boise area. This part-time position (16-24 hours per week) will provide a wide range of primarily administrative and clerical tasks to support the Office Manager, and will be paid \$13.50 to \$15 per hour, depending on experience and qualifications. Prior clerical experience is helpful but not required. Prior experience in a prosecutor's office, a criminal defense attorney's office, or court clerk's office is preferred. To apply, submit to sjuszczak@co.boise.id.us the following: (1) a filled-out application form (available at http://www.boisecounty.us/Employment.aspx); (2) a cover letter; and (3) a resume. The start date is negotiable. Preference will given to veterans.

CITY OF IDHO CITY IS HIRING A BUILDING IN-SPECTOR - The City of Idaho City is currently seeking a building inspector to perform residential and/or commercial building and safety inspections of new and existing properties to ensure compliance with Federal, State, and City codes and regulations.

COMPENSATION:

Full job description and applications are available at City Hall, 511 Main St., Idaho City, Id. Mon.-Thu. 1p.m. through 4 p.m. Call for additional information at 208-392-4584 or mail resume to PO Box 130, Idaho City, Id 8363. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled

Basin School District is looking for substitute teachers. Applications are available at the high school office. Applicants must have a high school diploma and, if hired, pass a background check. Please call the Basin district office at 208-392-4183 extension 1274 if you need any additional information. Address for application pick up is 100 Centerville Rd, Idaho City ID., 83631

Garden Valley School District 71 - Paraprofessional Special Education / Title I

Special Education Paraprofessionals assist students with special needs under the direction of the Special Services Director. Paraprofessionals generally work in an inclusionary setting (i.e. least restrictive environment). Special Education Paraprofessionals help special needs students, and care for their physical, emotional health and safety, affirming their abilities, and striving to promote dignity in all relationships. Qualifications: High school diploma (or GED) AND 1) Two years of college (32 credit hours) OR 2) Associate's degree OR 3) Rigorous standard of quality on formal state or local assessment. Classified Application and Job Description available at www.gvsd.net. Submit application to scorn@gvsd.net or at Garden Valley School Administration Office, 1053 Banks Lowman Rd., Garden Valley, Ida-

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Basin School District has an opening for a full time Maintenance Worker.

Wage D.O.E., benefits. Potential employees will have to complete and pass a background check. Applications are available at the High School office, weekdays 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Boise County Road & Bridge Department has an opening for a full-time Equipment Operator in the Garden Valley area. Application and Job Description can be printed from the Boise County website www.boisecounty.us, or call (208)793-2380. Pre-employment drug testing is required. Boise County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and gives Veteran's preference in its hiring practices.

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. Salary starts at \$14.00 an hour and up depending on experience. Questions call Russ Taylor at 208-284-7966.

COMMUNITY

SERVICES: [SOME OF THESE SERVICES MAY HAVE BEEN ALTERED DUE TO COVID-19]

Garden Valley Food Pantry:

The GV Food Pantry will now be distributing only on the 2nd Friday of every 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.

Crouch: Al-Anon support group for friends and family of alcoholics meets weekly at Crouch Community Church on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the library.

Horseshoe Bend Pantry is open on the 2nd & 4th Friday of the month, located at the WICAP building from 10-2. Food boxes are prepacked and delivered to cars..no choices until further notice.



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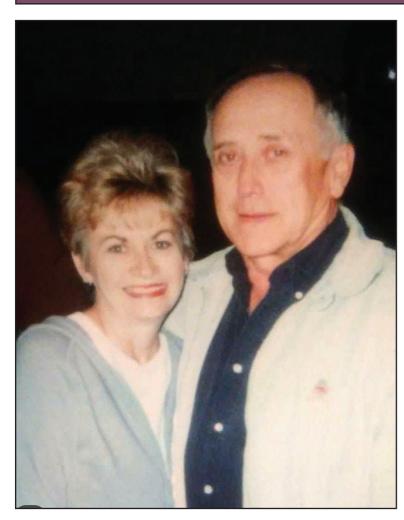
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Garth Baldwin 1940 - 2020

Garth Baldwin entered the gates of heaven the evening of December 17, 2020. His loving wife, Kathryn Baldwin, of 54 years was by his side and he was surrounded by his family.

Garth was born December 31, 1940 in Ketchum, Idaho to Evone Chanmell and La-Verne Baldwin. He had two brothers and three sisters and loved them all very much. He is survived by his sister Shirley Weaver.

On March 12, 1966 he married Kathryn Buster in Elko, Nevada. Together they had five children, Tanya, Todd, Cher'e, Brett and Chan'tell which he loved very much. All of his children would agree that they were his favorite. He made them feel that way daily, but he had no favorites, he loved them all equally. Garth was loyal to his church, The Followers of Christ. He enjoyed taking his family to church and teaching his children the way of God. Garth was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. He worked very hard every day. Everything he did in this life, he gave 150%. His plaque on his desk said "GET IT DONE" and still remains on his desk. Garth didn't know a stranger and would do anything for anyone. He never spoke unkind words about anyone and never complained in his 80 years of life. He was a successful realtor, builder and developer for 50 years. Garth moved his fam-

ily to Arizona where he built condominiums and an RV park in Bullhead City, AZ.

When he moved his family back to Idaho, he then decided to go to Chevron school in California. Garth was very excited to build a Chevron in Horseshoe Bend, Idaho and run it with his family. He loved the people of the community and the town. He loved being at the Chevron for many hours a day stocking inventory, fronting shelves, cleaning, and greeting customers, but most of all he enjoyed giving quarters to the children for gum balls and handing out free popcorn to the locals or families as they passed through to go camping, snowmobiling or just headed up north to get away. He always greeted everyone with a smile and always gave appreciation to all who stopped. He always said "Thank you for stopping" and he meant it. His wife, Kathryn, and grandson Justin Lester still run the Chevron.

He was a proud family man. He loved to take his family camping. He would pull off at every site along the way to see and show the beauty of this world. Garth loved cooking breakfast for his children before they went to school. He loved taking off to Arizona in the fall and the spring with his wife in the motorhome and spending a couple weeks. He also enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. He

stayed on top of his children, making sure they were making good choices. He didn't have to say much in order to let his kids know if he was upset. They all held much respect for him and his ways.

Garth became ill in 2015, his wife vowed to take care of him forever in their home. Day and night she stayed by his side meeting his every need up until his last breath. His children would come days during the week and the weekend to spend precious time with both mom and dad. He wrote the most beautiful poem and had everything arranged years prior to leaving this earth because leaving that task to his family would be unbearable for him to do. He loved to tell jokes and loved the reaction he would receive from telling them. He loved old classic cars, but most of all he loved working hard and his family. Garth was known by a couple different names, Corky and GB. But to me, your name was always Daddy.

Daddy it was not a cold day

It was a beautiful, sunny day

in January,

in December...

You did your part

To be with you

I do my very best

And I read the book

In hope and prayer

To be shown the heart

That lived inside of you

Now we must do the same

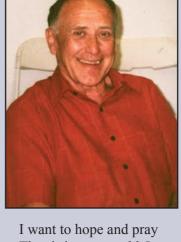
For you showed us the way

We must do it every day

That I will get another day

To spend my life with my kin

Is to smile and show love ev-



That it is not a cold January day

When my loved ones come to see

What really happened inside of me

I want to spread some joy around

So others might abound And someone might see the light

That is in the heavens oh so bright

There is some good in ev-

Just as my Father and Mother's son

So we need to look

But it's not the only way. I try to be an example for my kids, all the way.

As you were an example to us every day

So if I get the chance to be greeted at that pearly gate.

I know in my heart you'll be

100 percent of the way

And my purpose on this Earth was fulfilled, The right way.

Love, Channy

Love always and forever. Your Loving Family



And read the book

My dad always said to be a good man is not the only thing, Be an example before the

As I was taught from my early days

Not to talk about other ways Is the only way that I can win A chance to be with my kin

To be a witness to the coming Son

Is all I ask is to see the rising

When he descends from the Clouds above

I hope I have a chance to see the love

To be an example as they say Is to do it everyday

My Mother was an example to me

The way that everyone should be

She was always kind to all And not a stumbling wall

She had a smile

And would walk a mile Not to say

A bad thing about the day

Garth Baldwin



BOISE COUNT

FISHING IN THE

By Jerry Branson

Fishy fishy in the brook, won't you bite my doggone hook?

When we lived at Grimes Pass, we fished just in the small Grimes Creek so the fish were small and not as plentiful. But when we moved to Lowman, that changed. The South Fork of the Payette River was a lot larger and fishing back then was terrific. The limit in the river was 21 fish per day per person. Thus we had a lot to learn and the process of learning was a lot of fun. Well, mostly. Dad had to first teach us how to collect bait. Digging worms in the spring was reasonably easy. However, girls' fingers and slimy worms did not go on the same page. Jo was always trying to get us boys to put the worms in the tobacco can. But we were busy so she stood around a lot. By the time we had a can full of worms she had maybe half a dozen. We were "nice" guys (not sure why) and helped her to get more. However, half a dozen was enough for her anyway.

If picking up worms were bad enough, putting one on a fish hook was something else. That meant squishing the worm. That did not compute either. I am not sure that worm and hook were on the same

But then there came the problem with her casting the line. Dad taught us how but that was not her forte. She did try, though. She could get hung up almost instantly in either brush or up in a tree. Dad had us work on casting in the driveway at home. That did help all three of us. He put an old inner tube out on flat ground and then had us cast our lines into the inner tube. Time and again we worked on that until we began to get the hang of it. At least we did not get hung up in trees or branches.

Then came grasshopper season by early July. Instead of a worm, we were now faced with squishy grasshoppers. They were moving around some and that complicated the ability to get a hopper on a hook and keep it there. If worms were terrible, hoppers were worse yet. That was especially true for Jo. Such was life with a fishing

In the spring of the year, we used long bamboo poles or metal fishing rods with sinkers using worms for bait. Casting was easier as we simply had to flip the line over the pole and into the water. The line floated downstream a ways and if we did not get a "bite", we brought the line in and cast out again. But then we had to master keeping the line from getting tangled up on a

Now came the hoppers on a dry fly that did not sink as fast but we had to learn to pay attention to where the line went. In hopper season, we had to cast the line out behind us and then cast it forward into the river. But for Jo, that meant casting backwards into herself, leaves, limbs, and rocks.

That was not Jo's specialty. She got tangled up constantly, in all of the above. But frankly a couple of boys made the same mistakes, just a little less often. Thus we did a lot of casting, getting hung up, and not catching any fish. That was not fun. But as time wore on we got better and then we began to catch fish. The fun soon returned. In a two hour fishing expedition we would catch maybe two to three fish each. Of course, Dad was catching his limit of 21 fish in that same time period. But he had a lot of years' head start. By the end of the summer, we were able to catch enough fish to encourage us to keep at it. The fun set in, fi-

During July especially, the trout flies were everywhere. We soon learned that fish would ignore our hoppers for trout flies. What to do? Use trout flies. But that meant carrying swatters to smack them. That slowed us down as we had to smack the trout flies and put them in our hopper (tobacco) cans But the fish went after the trout flies in a vicious fury. The fish were easier to catch, which was fun. However, Jo and bugs did not get along well because the trout flies were mushy. Back to boys placing the trout flies on the fish hooks. But the trout flies lasted only a couple of weeks and then it was back to hoppers again. By then we had the knack of fish catching.

That led to another challenge. With the river level down for the summer, we would wade across the river to fish where the average fishermen did not go. That was a challenge at first as the wet rocks were difficult to maneuver around or over. But with a little stability from Dad, we got it done. Once we mastered the fine art of wading, all went well. Dad would pick a spot where the river was spread out considerably, making the water a little more swift but less deep. Tennis shoes did the trick. Of course, we then had to walk on dry land in wet shoes. But sloshing wet feet actually felt good because of summer heat. I liked to wear a straw hat. I would dip it into the water and put it on my head. Yes, water dripped down onto my back but it was cool. Wonderful!

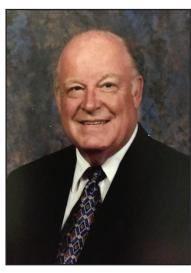
bringing home the fish. We had to learn the technique for cleaning the fish in the sink. This was another opt out for Jo. Slimy fish and innards were not a girl's idea of something to do. Dad did not let Jim do that much as he was still quite young. But he did his fair share over the years. Sister Jo found "other things" to do. Then came the eating part at dinner. We needed no instructions to accomplish that task. Over the teeth and on past the gums. Look out stomach here it comes! Throw on some fried taters and some home-made bread and Seventh Heaven was in the house

But was fall an end to fishing? Hardly. Next came winter fishing. Trout migrated down the river many miles but white fish did not. White fish caught out of cold, winter water were firm and yummy. White fish had larger bones which were easier to remove from the cooked fish. But the game changed considerably. There were no worms to be found in frozen ground and no hoppers or trout flies. Those all died off in the winter weather. Now bait was a challenge. So, it was Dad to the rescue. He had learned to fish at his parents' ranch in Colorado. White fish have small mouths and very sharp teeth placed across their mouths in abundance. What to use? Cheese cloth worked very well. We replaced the hooks with strips of cheese cloth and we were right back out catching fish, which lasted until spring. Storing leftover white fish was very easy. We used a shovel handle to make a hole in the snow where it slid off the metal roof. Bore a hole and insert a white fish. When we wanted more fish, we simply dug up enough for dinner. That gave us a break from venison and elk meat. We did not take any deer until winter as the meat would keep in the meat house (tent). Since the meat was frozen, he used a meat saw to cut off what we wanted for a meal. We canned (in jars) any elk meat that we got during the fall also. The elk meat often went into stews. Venison steaks, elk stew, and white fish got us through the winter. But that sort of all ended when we had to go to school in Boise. We got Then there was the task of our dose of white fish on Christ-



My son Joe and daughter Lois. In these photos my kids are approximately the ages of my sister and brother between 1950 and Photo by Jerry Branson

BITUAR



Jerry Branson *1937 - 2020*

Jerry W. Branson passed away on Christmas Day, 2020. He was born on June 11, 1937, to Joseph and C. Pauline Branson in Boise, Idaho. His

childhood was spent in Lowman, Idaho, and he finished his school years at Boise High School, graduating in 1955. Jerry joined the army that same year, and was stationed in Virginia, where he trained others to pilot helicopters. He married Lillian Palow, also in the army, in 1958. They moved back to Boise, Idaho in 1960, where they raised six children. Jerry continued his education at Boise State College, pursuing a degree in history, with an interest in engineering also. He worked at Morrison-Knudsen for 40 years, retiring in 2002. Jerry loved fishing, hiking, photography, and, of course, Idaho history. He later married Joyce Phillips. He is survived by five of his children, 14 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

mas break. As the old saying goes, you could take the kid out of the mountains but you could not take the mountains out of the kid. Or fishing either, for that matter.

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A generation later and I had six kids that also followed in our footsteps when it came to the river and to fishing as they joined me in becoming avid backpackers/fishermen/gals. Those were the days! Now I have fishing grandkids galore (14). Dad had no idea what he started.

Since we had no cameras in the 1950's, I have inserted my own kids to show what fishing was like.

In September of 2018, Jerry wrote this humorous personal story and provided some of his credentials that more than qualified him as a longtime Boise County historian for The Idaho World newspaper: "I worked at Morrison-Knudsen for 40 years. That's how I made a living while I was a member of the Oregon Trail Society and doing Boise County history. A degree in history and a quarter would buy me a cup of coffee. I also got a very good pension and a considerable amount from Social Security, which keeps me out of poverty. I have five years of college with two majors - secondary education and history. It is also why I do some consultant work with the Idaho legislature in transportation and education. I am also a Baptist with a big college background in Hebrew, Greek, and Spanish. My dad was a hard rock miner as well. Now you know all my dirty secrets."

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