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New Year's Eve Lantern Lighting Festival in Garden Valley



Family and friends gathered at Weilmunster Park to send their wishes up into the heavens.

GARDEN VALLEY – The Garden Valley Chamber of Commerce hosted the annual New Year's Eve Lantern Lighting Festival. Lanterns filled with wishes for 2025 glowed as they drifted through the sky above Weilmunster Park. This annual event provides funding for scholarships available to graduating Garden Valley High School students. The Chamber also had clean-up crews searching for, and picking up, used lanterns.



A view from the Middlefork of the Payette River.
Photos by Linda Ruppel, DDS

Annual Polar Bear Challenge



Join Make-A-Wish Idaho for the 22nd Annual Gebert-Arbaugh Polar Bear Challenge on Jan 11.

BOISE COUNTY -- Make-A-Wish® Idaho is hosting the 22nd annual Gebert-Arbaugh Polar Bear Challenge on Jan 11 at Spring Shores Marina at 11 a.m. with day-of registration beginning at 10 a.m. The Gebert Arbaugh Polar Bear Challenge, presented this year by Corwin Ford, is a unique winter fundraiser where participants plunge into the icy water to help grant life-affirming wishes to Idaho children who have been diagnosed with critical illnesses.

Individuals or teams of participants raise pledge money by promising to dive into the freezing water in support of wishes. There is no minimum donation required to plunge. Participants are encouraged to donate an amount that is personally meaningful to them and those who raise more than \$100 will receive a Polar Bear Challenge t-shirt. All proceeds from the fundraiser will go to-

ward Idaho wishes. The event is estimated to draw hundreds of participants and Make-A-Wish Idaho's fundraising goal for the 2025 event is \$100,000. To sign up online, visit idaho.wish.org.

“We are inviting the Treasure Valley community to kick off the new year with us by ‘taking the plunge’. Our community’s involvement and presence at the Polar Bear Challenge will provide a life-changing impact for children facing critical illnesses in Idaho and help us grant 10% of this year’s 130 wishes-in-waiting,” said Andrea Sanders, Chief Development Officer for Make-A-Wish Idaho,” said Andrea Sanders, Chief Development Officer for Make-A-Wish Idaho.

The event will also feature a costume contest emceed by Kevn Miller of KIDO Talk Radio and Mateo from KISS FM. Christian a former wish kid, now an adult, will share the story of his shopping spree wish and his battle with cancer. Warming tents, coffee, and donuts are available for all participants.

About Make-A-Wish Idaho



Annual Polar Bear Challenge supports the Make-A-Wish program. Photo by Eileen Capson

Make-A-Wish Idaho's mission is to grant life-changing wishes to children with critical illnesses. A wish is not a last wish. It is a lasting wish. Make-A-Wish Idaho serves children throughout the state with offices in Boise, Post Falls, and Pocatello. The organization is dedicated to granting every eligible wish and has granted over 2,000 wishes since the chapter was founded. Make-A-Wish Idaho is one of 58 chapters across the United States. Visit idaho.wish.org to learn more about the magic of a wish!



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BOISE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Transcribed by Eileen Capson

December 31, 2024

Present: Commissioners Clay Tucker, Bob Callahan, and Lindy Lindstrom

Pledge of Allegiance

CONSTITUENT INPUT:

A constituent inquired regarding property tax billing for a commercial property that was still being developed.

MINUTES: Commissioner Lindstrom motioned to approve the minutes from 12/17 and 12/20/2024. The motion carried.

ROAD AND BRIDGE ANNUAL STREET REPORT: Clerk Mary Prisco explained the report and Lindstrom motioned to approve the Road and Street Report for FY2024. The motion carried.

ANNUAL CONTRACT WITH THE ATLANTA HIGHWAY DISTRICT: There is a contract that had not yet been signed by the AHD board. However, AHD has submitted an invoice with a 15% increase that has not been budgeted for by Boise County. AHD said that they would not do any snow removal until this invoice has been paid. Lindstrom said, "The predicament is that...we are responsible." Prosecutor Sosa suggested the issue be discussed in executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Chairman Tucker motioned to go into executive session for pending litigation. [Time 9:16 am to 9:39 am] Coming back into session, Chairman Tucker asked if there was any other discussion on the Atlanta Highway District and Commissioner Callahan answered, "Nope."

ELECTRIC CHAINSAWS: The Road Department is requesting electric chainsaws for each of the graders, because there have been so many trees down over the road with the heavy snowfall. The request will include between five and six chainsaws. Lindstrom said he thought it was a good idea, if they can find the money.

Lindstrom motioned for the Road Department to purchase three electric chainsaws. The motion carried.

A returning part-time employee for Garden Valley was discussed as a seasonal worker. A motion was made to hire the seasonal employee and the motion carried.

ANNUAL PUBLIC DEFENSE REPORT: Clerk Mary Prisco explained the expenditures and Lindstrom

motioned to approve the annual Public Defense Expenditure Report for fiscal year 2024.

SNOWMOBILE CLUB:

There was a representative from the Idaho City side that spoke regarding the grading trail and an area of concern.

TAX CANCELLATION:

Several motions were said for tax cancellations.

SHERIFF'S VEHICLE:

Sheriff Scott Turner said that there was a patrol vehicle that was totaled about a month ago and the insurance was going to cover \$34,923 for a replacement vehicle. They will need to purchase it and wait for the Ford F150 to be built in 6-8 months. The department does have one vehicle to spare. Three new vehicles are also being built as part of the rotation of Sheriff's vehicles. Commissioner Lindstrom motioned to approve the Sheriff's request to purchase a replacement vehicle. The motion carried.

BASIN SCHOOL SRO AGREEMENT:

The school agreement was discussed with the county prosecutor. Alex Sosa reminded the board that this was a service that the Sheriff's Office was not required to provide. He added that Sheriff Turner goes "above and beyond" to rotate officers to find the right people to put in there. Lindstrom motioned to approve the Sheriff's SRO [School Resource Officer] agreement for the Basin School District. The motion carried.

ROAD MATERIALS FOR BOISE COUNTY:

Amounts for contracts and contractor quotes were discussed. This was a rate for gravel for additional damage done to roads during the increased recreation use of the COVID-19 period, and to recoup COVID-19 money given to the county through the federal government. Lindstrom had done the research with these long-time providers of gravel and motioned to approve the amount of \$74,500, \$74,500, and \$35,033. The motion carried.

SLFRF PROJECT:

COVID-19 funds and their potential uses were discussed, including the road materials, culvert replacement, and HVAC for the East Boise County Ambulance building.

AGRICULTURAL PROTECTION AREAS:

A resident of Horseshoe Bend said that when this law was passed, he was "kind of excited about it" and the compensation. However, he shared some concerns.

An ordinance was provided by the Idaho Association of Counties, and was considered by the board. Lindstrom motioned to approve Boise County Ordinance 2025-01, a zoning ordinance for Agricultural Protection Areas. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Tucker motioned to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation. [Time: 10:45 am to 11:04 am] No action was required.

PLACERVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS:

Interviews were held for fire protection district commissioners.

EAST BOISE COUNTY AMBULANCE:

Commissioner Lindstrom motioned to approve a payroll addition for a part time position. The motion carried.

Director Mari Adams reported that Unit 14 and 15 were both out of service. "Unit 15 has an exhaust leak that went into the cab and also into the box. Thank goodness it was after they had transported a patient." It should still be under warranty. The heater module for the box caught on fire and deemed the other ambulance unsafe. This one should also be under warranty from Ford. The extent of the damage underneath is still in question.

Chairman Tucker asked if there was an update on the new ambulance order. Adams said there was no response to an email, but production should have started in January.

SOLID WASTE: There were some difficulties with the Idaho City dump site due to the lack of snow plowing.

EMERGENCY MANAGER:

The mass gathering permit with Boise County has not been completed for the Polar Bear Plunge.

PROSECUTOR: Alex Sosa said that in the last week of 2024, they filed 70 felony cases. He added, "The judge made a comment that we probably set a record for the number of arrest warrants."

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Commissioner Tucker motioned to go into closed session to discuss risk management. [12:24 pm to 12:40 pm] Coming back into session, Tucker said they were going to continue their discussion on the SLFRF project. Commissioner Lindstrom read that the board had determined the community needs that have amassed since COVID and account-



The Boise County Board of Commissioners met on New Year's Eve to discuss the concerns of the county. Photo by Eileen Capson

ing for budget requests each year: "The harm was felt from COVID itself, but it also imposed government shutdowns. The following allocations are targeted responses related in reasonable proportional to the significant and prolonged harm when considering the population of Boise County. The physical size of Boise County, the rural nature of Boise County, the increased poverty rates of Boise County, and the influx of out-of-county individuals that stayed or spent time travelling through Boise County. The allocated amount is considered related and reasonably

proportioned when considering the individual departments total budgets since the beginning of COVID and beyond today." Lindstrom then motioned to allocate the SLFRF funds to the Road and Bridge Department, culvert replacement, radios, and EBCAD's new HVAC system and salaries, phone systems, public health, and Sheriff's Office with a total of \$1,521,080. The motion carried.

Recessed at 12:40 pm.



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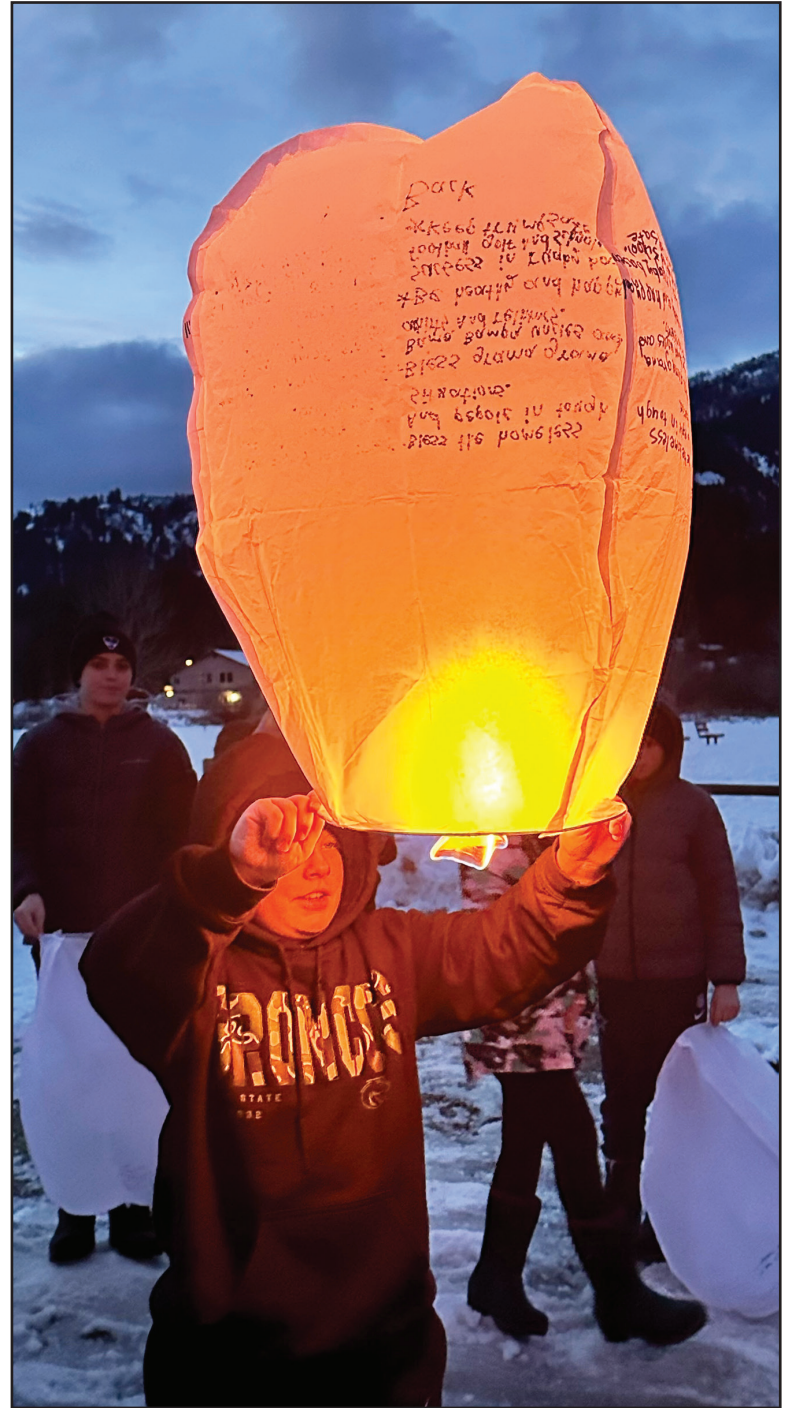
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Sending up wishes in Garden Valley on New Year's Eve.

Photos by Linda Ruppel, DDS



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Annual Road and Street Financial Report

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This certified report of dedicated funds is hereby submitted to the State Controller as required by 40-708, Idaho code.

Dated this 31st day of DECEMBER 2024

ATTEST: *Mary Prisco* Clerk/Treasurer Signature

Christine Commissioner Signature

Lindy Lindstrom County Clerk Signature

[Signature] Mayor or Commissioner Signature

City Clerk/County Clerk/District Secretary (type or print name & sign) AND Commissioners or Mayor (type or print name & sign)

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Line 1	BEGINNING BALANCE - Balance from Previous Year's Report	5,800,504
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RECEIPTS

LOCAL FUNDING SOURCES		
Line 2	Property tax levy (for roads, streets and bridges)	
Line 3	Sale of assets	
Line 4	Interest income	
Line 5	Fund transfers from non-highway accounts	
Line 6	Proceeds from sale of bonds (include LIDs)	
Line 7	Proceeds from issue of notes (include loans)	
Line 8	Local impact fees	
Line 9	Local option registration fee	
Line 10	All other LOCAL receipts or transfers in	51875
Line 11	Total Local Funding (sum lines 2 through 10)	51,875

STATE FUNDING SOURCES		
Line 12	Highway user revenue	2,941,229
Line 13	Sales tax	
Line 14	General fund/Leading Idaho	
Line 15	Sales tax/Inventory replacement tax	
Line 16	Sales tax/Revenue sharing	
Line 17	State Exchanged funds	
Line 18	All other STATE receipts or transfers	228827
Line 19	Total State Funding (sum lines 12 through 19)	3,170,056

FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCES		
Line 20a	Secure Rural Schools (Title I Funds)	563896
Line 20b	Secure Rural Schools (Title III Funds)	
Line 21	Federal-aid Bridge	

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Proposed Gold Mining Operation in Boise National Forest



Boise National Forest Releases Final Record of Decision for the Stibnite Gold Project

BOISE COUNTY — The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service released the Final Record of Decision for the Stibnite Gold Project Jan. 3, 2025 after Payette National Forest Supervisor Matthew Davis and Boise National Forest Supervisor Brant Petersen signed the final decision. The Stibnite Gold Project is a proposed mining operation in central Idaho on the Payette and Boise National Forests that would create one of the largest

gold, silver, and antimony mines in the United States.

The Final Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Record of Decision were released Sept. 6, 2024. Immediately following the release, a 45-day objection period and subsequent objection resolution period occurred. The objection resolution period culminated in a set of changes that strengthen the final decision. On Dec. 18, 2024, objection responses were issued by the deputy regional forester.

The Final Record of Decision outlines the Forest Service's decision to authorize a mining operation as proposed by Perpetua Resources, LLC in their 2021 Modified Mine Plan and to approve a special use authorization for transmission line upgrades and installation of a new power transmission line with supporting infrastruc-

ture. Additionally, the decision approves project-specific plan amendments to the 2003 Payette National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan and the 2010 Boise National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan as amended.

"The signing of this decision represents the culmination of over seven years of scientific study and analysis. Through collaboration with interested

parties and partnership with our cooperating agencies, the record of decision incorporates input from a broad spectrum of backgrounds and perspectives," said Forest Supervisor Matthew Davis. "I am grateful for the input the Payette National Forest has received in the development of the environmental impact statement and am confident that the decision signed today is better for

it." The Final Record of Decision and supporting documents can be found on the project website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/payette/?project=50516>.

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Line 22	Federal-aid Rural	
Line 23	Federal-aid Urban	
Line 24	Federal Lands Access Funds and All other FEDERAL receipts or transfers	144762
Line 25	Total Federal Funding (sum lines 20 through 25)	708658
Line 26	TOTAL RECEIPTS (sum lines 11, 19, 25)	3,930,589
DISBURSEMENTS Page 2 of 3		
NEW CONSTRUCTION (include salary and benefits on each line)		
	Total lane miles constructed in the last year	0
	Total square feet of bridge deck constructed in the last year	0
Line 27	Roads	0
Line 28	Bridges, culverts and storm drainage	0
Line 29	RR Crossing	0
Line 30	Other (signs, signals or traffic control)	0
Line 31	Total New Construction (sum lines 27 through 30)	0
RECONSTRUCTION/REPLACEMENT/REHABILITATION (include salary and benefits on each line)		
	Total lane miles rebuilt, realigned, or overlay in the last year	PENDING PROJECTS
	Total square feet of bridge deck reconstructed or rehabilitated in the last year	0
Line 32	Roads (rebuilt, realign, or overlay upgrade)	101689
Line 33	Bridges, culverts and storm drainage	26950
Line 34	RR Crossing	0
Line 35	Other (signs, signals or traffic control)	0
Line 36	Total Reconstruction/Replacement (sum lines 32 through 35)	128639
ROUTINE MAINTENANCE (include salary and benefits on each line)		
	Total lane miles with surface treatments, chip sealed, seal coated etc. on line 37	40
	Total lane miles graded or bladed on line 40	403
Line 37	Chip sealing or seal coating	450
Line 38	Patching	32974
Line 39	Winter Maintenance	272140
Line 40	Grading/blading	141188
Line 41	Bridge	0
Line 42	Other (signs, signals or traffic control)	392049
Line 43	Total Routine Maintenance (sum lines 37 through 42)	838801
EQUIPMENT		
Line 44	Equipment purchase - automotive, heavy, other	220429
Line 45	Equipment lease/purchase	136898
Line 46	Equipment maintenance	523632
Line 47	Other (specify)	2368
Line 48	Total Equipment (sum lines 44 through 47)	883327
ADMINISTRATION		
Line 49	Administrative salaries and expenses	254750
OTHER EXPENDITURES		
Line 50	Right-of-way and property purchases	0
Line 51	Property leases	660
Line 52	Street lighting	0
Line 53	Professional services - audit, clerical, and legal	168117
Line 54	Professional services - engineering	8235
Line 55	Interest - bond (include LIDs)	0
Line 56	Interest - notes (include loans)	0
Line 57	Redemption - bond (include LIDs)	0
Line 58	Redemption - notes (include loans)	0
Line 59	Payments to other local government	40000
Line 60	Fund transfers to non-highway accounts	0

BOISE COUNTY

Boise County Sheriff's Office

Nature of Call	Total Calls
911 Open Line	2
Abandoned Vehicle	8
Traffic Accident with Damage	5
Traffic Accident with Injuries	1
Accident Recreational	2
Agency Assistance	1
Alarm Fire	1
Animal Cruelty	1
Animal on Road/Hwy	1
Bar Check	3
Citizen Complaint	5
Citizen Dispute	1
Disturbing the Peace	1
Domestic Disturbance	1
Fire Power Pole	1
Fire Unknown	1
Information Report	1
Intoxicated Person	1
Lost Property	1
Medical Emergency	9
Motor Assist	4
NCO Violation	1
Sex Offender Check	1
Powerline Down	2
Public Assist	1
Public Contact	1
Reckless Driver	6
Road Block	2
Slide Off	7
Stranded Motorist	1
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	2
Theft	5
Threatening	1
Traffic Hazard	17
Traffic Stop	67
Trespassing	2
Vin Inspection	1
Welfare Check	1
Totals for 12/24/24-12/30/24	169

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Line 61	All other local expenditures	285
Line 62	Total Other (sum lines 50 through 61)	217297
Line 63	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (sum lines 31, 36, 43, 48, 49, 62)	2322814
Line 64	RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS (line 26 - line 63)	1,607,775
Line 65	OTHER ADJUSTMENTS (Audit adjustment and etc.)	
Line 66	CLOSING BALANCE (sum lines 1, 64, 65)	7,408,279
Line 67	Funds on Line 66 obligated for specific future projects & reserves	5908279
Line 68	Funds on Line 66 retained for general funds and operations	1500000
Line 69	ENDING BALANCE (line 66 minus the sum of lines 67, 68)	0

PROJECTS		
FUTURE PROJECTS & RESERVE DESCRIPTIONS		
Project List	Start Year	Projected Cost
ROCKY CANYON WASHOUT REPAIR	2025	1300000
PREP AND PAVE CENTERVILLE ROAD	2026	950000
REALIGN MIDDLE FORK ROAD	2025	500000
CHIP SEAL BANKS LOWMAN ROAD	2026	650000
PURCHASE LOADERS	2026	153000
PURCHASE TRUCKS	2025	600000
CHIP SEAL ROBIE CREEK ROAD	2026	350000
PURCHASE GRADERS	2025	130000
CHIP SEAL OLD EMMETT ROAD	2026	1275279
Deferred maintenance costs over the last 5 years (in dollars).		3,500,000

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BOISE COUNTY

Garden Valley's Boys JV Basketball Team



Last Saturday (1-4-25) afternoon was first a "half game" with Rimrock (green) pulling out a win literally at the last second by sinking a three-point shot to win 27-25. It was amazing to watch this last second throw go in the basket.
Photos by Linda Ruppel, DDS



After the last second lost to Rimrock (Saturday 1-4-25) in the earlier 1/2 game, GV BBB JV went on to play a full game against Rimrock (green) and won 61-52.



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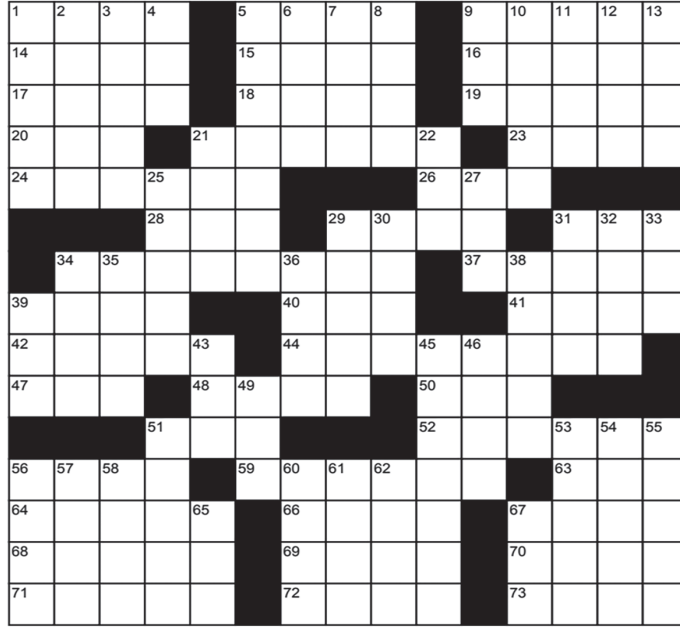
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~ Answer key on page 6



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ACROSS

- 1 Blaze
- 5 Type of fish
- 9 Disturbance
- 14 Flightless birds
- 15 Actor Alda
- 16 End of Greek alphabet
- 17 Off-Broadway award
- 18 Meditation
- 19 Layers
- 20 Romp
- 21 Sounds
- 23 Oak
- 24 Schoolroom pointer
- 26 Slippery frigid
- 28 Time period
- 29 Sage
- 31 Pen brand
- 34 Kid's jumping game
- 37 Uneven
- 39 Teeth holders
- 40 Cooking fat
- 41 National capital
- 42 Unnaturalized
- 44 Wherever

DOWN

- 2 Saturate
- 3 Spoils
- 4 East southeast
- 5 Type of seasoning (2
- 6 Lotion ingredient
- 7 Wise man
- 8 Fasten
- 9 Burning
- 10 Cordiality
- 11 Slue
- 12 Giant
- 13 Baggage
- 21 Eruct
- 22 Title of respect
- 25 Finish
- 27 Remind
- 29 On your way
- 30 Opp. of pretty
- 31 Pear type
- 32 Island
- 33 Chief executive officer
- 34 Calm down
- 35 Give off
- 36 Colored horse
- 38 Car paths
- 39 Gossip
- 43 North by west
- 45 Crop
- 46 Fail to keep
- 49 Lout
- 51 Clop
- 53 Rome's country
- 54 Trench
- 55 Harnesses
- 56 Oils
- 57 Asian country
- 58 Midwestern state
- 60 Charity
- 61 Hi!
- 62 Air (prefix)
- 65 Seed bread
- 67 Stinger

~ Answer key on page 5

CHARMY'S ARMY

Created by DAVY JONES



Chim Chum & the Portly Samurai by Adrian Ropp



"THIS SEEMS LIKE A BAD OMEN."



BEEZWAX By John Martin



BOISE COUNTY



There have been 27 deer and elk reported deaths on Highway 21 as of this publication date. During the winter season, it is common to see large game crossing the highway. *Photos by Eileen Capson*



The deer and elk are official greeters in Garden Valley, hanging out near the entrance of a subdivision on a Saturday afternoon. They also like to prune the bushes at night. *Photos by Linda Ruppel, DDS*



This herd of deer had a young member that was hesitant to cross, but then bolted from the sagebrush.



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HELP WANTED:

The City of Horseshoe Bend will be accepting resumes for the job of City Clerk

Starting now until December 31st, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Benefits include employee paid insurance, Persi retirement and 4 day work week.

Resumes can be dropped off at Horseshoe Bend City Hall, 112 Ada Street, Horseshoe Bend, Idaho.

Applicants will be contacted for interviews so please include your phone number.

Boise County Sheriff's Dispatch Center is currently accepting applications for a full time 911 Communications Officer.

This position includes shift work, holidays, and weekends. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, have a high school diploma or equivalency. Applicants must successfully pass a background check, polygraph, and type 35 words a minute

Starting salary is \$18.25/hr. County Benefits (medical, dental, vision, paid sick leave, and vacation) included.

Applications may be obtained from the Boise County web site www.boisecounty.us, or Boise County Dispatcher Center / PO Box 189/3851 Highway 21, Idaho City, ID 83631. 208-392-4411.

Boise County is accepting ap-

lications for a Janitor. Basic functions include travel between county owned buildings to perform routine interior and exterior cleaning and minor maintenance duties; monitor building security and safety and maintain cleaning supplies inventories. This position is part-time (20 hours per week) with no benefits. You may pick-up or submit applications in person at 404 Montgomery Street, Idaho City, ID 83631. In addition, applications can be emailed to Amanda Leader at aleader@co.boise.id.us or sent by mail to P.O. Box 486, Idaho City, ID 83631. Interviews will begin immediately and the position will be open until filled. Applicants must be able to pass a background check and pre-employment drug test. Boise County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and gives Veteran's Preference in its hiring practices.

Boise County is accepting applications for a Snow Removal/Building and Grounds Maintenance position. Basic functions include performing minor maintenance duties in maintaining county owned buildings and grounds and snow removal in the winter months, including public pathways by 8:00am. This position is part-time (20 hours per week) with no benefits. You may pick-up or submit applications in person at 404 Montgomery Street, Idaho City, ID 83631. In addition, applications can be emailed to Amanda Leader at aleader@co.boise.id.us or sent by mail to P.O. Box 486, Idaho City, ID 83631. Interviews will begin immediately and the position will be open until filled. Applicants must be able to pass a background check and pre-em-

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Duquette Pines HOA seeks Help. A Property Manager/Maintenance Operator is needed for a part-time and on-call position. Salary and duties are negotiable depending upon skills & experience. Hours are flexible unless supervising contractors. If interested please contact Carol Kirkland for job description at 208-908-3960 or kirklandcak77@gmail.com

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. Qualifications are: 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 \$17.16 per hour. Benefits included are: Health Insurance, paid vacation, paid sick time, paid holidays and PERSI retirement. 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.

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adventure and an opportunity to earn extra income? Based in Centerville. Must have clean driving record. Call between 8:30am-2pm, 208-695-7452.

Horseshoe Bend School Job Opening for Substitute Teachers. If interested, please contact Superintendent Chesnut at chesnutd@hbschools.org

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Garden Valley Food Bank/Pantry: Distribution will be the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at the GV Senior Center from 9:30-11:30am.

Garden Valley Food Pantry distributes food the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month at the Calvary Chapel from 3:30 to 5:00 pm.

(The GV Senior Center hold their's on different dates.) **URGENT need for volunteers to pick up food for our community from the Idaho Food Bank in Boise. Contact the Senior Center for details.**

Alcoholics Anonymous - Meet in Idaho City at 7pm on Fridays at the Library, 123 Montgomery St. (Meet at the back of the building.)

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.

DEATH NOTICE

Marvin Acie "Slim" Whitely, 82, of Horseshoe Bend, Idaho, died Sunday, January 5th, 2025. Arrangements are in the care of the Potter Funeral Chapel.



Our next meeting is Saturday, January 11th at 1000 at the Sheriff's Office.

To all Annual Members: Please send in your 2025. Dues of \$35.00!! Membership is the life blood of the VFW!!

Checks should be sent to VFW Post 142, PO Box 533, Idaho City ID 83631. You may also renew online at the VFW website.

+ *We'll keep holdin' onto the promise, y'all
That He's rollin' up His sleeves again*
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See ya Sunday at the Merc
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BOISE COUNTY

City Council Meeting in IC

By Eileen Capson
IDAHO CITY -- The City Council in Idaho City held their regular meeting on Monday, December 30th, 2024. Those present or joining via Zoom included: Mayor Kenny Everhart, Council Members Ashley Elliott, Mari Adams, Tom Secor, and Ryan Heffington. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES: The December 11th minutes were reviewed. Council Member Secor motioned to accept the minutes from December 11th, 2024, and the motion carried.

BILLS PAYABLE: Mayor Everhart explained that these were the bills from December 12th through December 30th, 2024. Secor motioned to pay the bills in the amount of \$60,462.93. There was no discussion and the motion carried.

LETTER OF INTENT: A letter was received from a candidate for Idaho City's Parks and Recreation. The mayor would like to pass the letter along to that board.

HISTORIC PRESENTATION COMMISSION: Rhonda Jameson explained that she had written a grant, but there were some issues for them to commit the funds.

EMPLOYEE UPDATES: Everhart said that Public Works has been plowing a lot of snow.

LAW ENFORCEMENT: Chief Brent Watson said it was a big day for the Idaho City Police Department, and thanked the council, fellow officers, family and friends for being present. He said that they received six applicants, and that after testing, a background check and more, Jake Nye was the top choice of all the applicants. Chief Watson said, "Jake brings a good amount of experience with dispatch – for being here in town, a local residence here. He's been here for quite some time... Today I would like to swear in Robert Jake Nye to the Idaho City Police



Idaho City Mayor Kenny Everhart swore-in new Deputy Police Officer Jake Nye.
 Photos courtesy of City of Idaho City

Department."

Chief Watson reviewed some of the policies and duties and read: "The mission of Idaho City Police Department will be to protect and serve the public and citizens of Idaho City by preventing crime and disorder, and safeguarding lives and property. Law enforcement is a vital part of the community justice system. Law enforcement agencies, which include Idaho City Police, are expected to follow a code of ethics that reflects responsibilities of contemporary policing but adheres to the rich culture and tradition of Idaho City, Idaho."

Mayor Everhart swore in Jake Nye as a peace officer for Idaho City, Idaho. Everhart shook his hand and welcomed Officer Nye. Mayor Everhart spoke to those gathered, "I very much appreciate Jake's interest, his dedication to his work at the county, and I firmly believe that through the interview process, and I had the privilege of sitting in with Chief Watson, that he's going to do an amazing job here for us in this community. And the people that are here, obviously to support him, reinforces that

opinion that I have that he is going to do a fantastic job as our police officer. Thank you, all." Chief Watson reiterated that Nye would receive training he needed to do the job.

CLERK: Nancy Ptak spoke about the water bills and said that there were quite a few "with red marks" that had not been paid yet. She said, "The bills will be going up since it's the end of the month. There's not a whole lot that we can really do, other than send out the new bills and probably send out some shutoff notices with them. Unless they happen to come in, in the next day or two to get those taken care of."

MAYOR: Kenny Everhart thanked everyone that keep the city running, "the ones that make this town work." He then wished everyone a happy New Year.

MONTGOMERY STREET: A constituent asked about the long-term goal for Montgomery Street. Chairman Secor said that there are some sewer concerns along that road that will need to be addressed after the water project. Mayor Everhart said that the city will pursue funding to repave the road. He added that they are monitoring the "soft spots" in the road and their plan for the spring is to excavate those areas, then fill them with better road material. Then they will add a layer of recycled asphalt and adjust the grading to allow the water to run off the road, rather than puddle on it. "With a limited budget, we try to do the best we can and try to keep them as smooth and passable as we can," Mayor Everhart said.

The next regular city council meeting was set to be held on January 8th, 2025.



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The leaves are changing and soon we will have snow on the ground. Our golf course is now closed. Once we do get snow, our snow hill will open. Our pool will be open on Thanksgiving day and our lounge will be serving Thanksgiving dinner. The restaurant and kitchen will be closed though on Thanksgiving day. Plan on staying with us—we have motel rooms, cabins and condos to rent. Call the office at 208-462-3250 or book online at terracelakes.com.

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We have our new menu now with great dinner specials. We still have BBQ ribs on Friday nights and Prime Rib on Saturday nights.

We are also open every day for Breakfast, which is served until 11:00 a.m.

We are located 3 miles north of Crouch up the Middle Fork Road off Warm Springs Road.

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For any design related questions, please submit through QuestCDN. Instructions on how to use this process are located on the [Notice to Contractors page](http://www.bidx.com).

Digital copies of the Plans, Proposals, and Specifications must be downloaded for a fee of \$22.00. **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.

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NOTICE OF LETTING

Idaho Project No. 23183, in Valley, Ada, Boise and Canyon County, Key No. 23183; for the work of installing a Dynamic Message Sign, signal cabinet, CCTV pole and guardrail on SH-55 at MP 102.2 for SB traffic.

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A beautiful owl perched at the top of a pine tree between Placerville and Centerville.
Photo by Eric Horton

GV Radio Rocks in the New Year

By Linda Ruppel, DDS

GARDEN VALLEY -- New Year's Eve in Garden Valley was hosted from evening till midnight (5 pm to midnight) by our own Phil Arnold aka Youngblood, a DJ on KXGV-LP 98.5 FM radio station. Phil rocked us all night and brought in the New Year of 2025 with a party. Phil loves his hard rock music and volunteers on Wednesday afternoons (1-5PM) and Friday nights (5-9PM).



DJ Phil Arnold

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BOISE COUNTY

Idaho City's Christmas Light Judging by Community Club

Submitted by Idaho City Community Club

IDAHO CITY -- The Idaho City Community Club has announced the winners of this year's 2024 Christmas Lighting Contest: (it was hard to choose only three!) 2024 winners: 1st Place: Ashlee & Nate Druffel - 2nd Place: Lesa & Larry Lampson - 3rd Place: Brenda & Tom Secor. Honorable mentions: Kathy and Bob Quarles, Shaunna & Ben Roerber, Danielle & Tom Standerwick, Lana & Mickey Russell, Patti & Katie Allen, Brooke & Wes Crawford, Tonya & Ryan Heffington, Scott Shaye, Becky & Tom Gilbert, Cindy & Steve Bradley, Rora & Phillip Canody, CarrieAnne Kowlczyk & Stephanie & Chris Juszczak. We'd like to give a huge shout out to everyone who decorated in Mores Creek Crossing, Elk Run, Duquette Pines, Bavarian Village, Pine Top, both up and down the highway and of course, kudos to the townies! We'd also like to thank all the businesses for their participation in lighting up our awesome little city, especially Idaho City Historical Foundation and the Idaho City Trading Post.



Druffel's - 1st Place

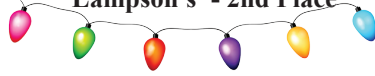
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Secor's - 3rd Place



Lampson's - 2nd Place



Crouch's Christmas Light Contest Posted the 2024 Winners!



2nd place Middlefork Trading Post and Greenhouse

GARDEN VALLEY -- The Crouch Merc sponsored this year's Christmas Light contest. With over 300 votes, the best decorated business in Crouch was: 1st place -- Three Bears Inn, 2nd place -- The Trading Post, and 3rd place -- The Mud Room. The Merc would like to extend a huge thanks to everyone that participated and voted. The business owner remarked, "You all made our town look like a Hallmark movie for the holidays and it was so much fun!"



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3rd place - The Mud Room

1st place - (left) Three Bears Inn
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