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2025 Esto Perpetua Awards Honor Dedicaton to Idaho's History

BOISE COUNTY -- Governor Brad Little and First Lady Teresa Little recognized the recipients of the 2025 Esto Perpetua Award, honoring individuals who have made exceptional contributions to preserving Idaho's rich history.

This year's awardees, Skip Myers of Idaho City and Justin Smith of Pocatello, have played a crucial role in making Idaho history accessible and engaging through their widely followed Facebook group, IDAHO HISTORY 1800 to PRESENT. With 110,000 members, it has become a daily source of historical insight for Idahoans. Myers, deeply rooted in the Boise Basin's heritage, launched the group six years ago to share and preserve the everyday stories that shaped the state. Smith, a columnist and Bannock County Historical Society board member, later joined as a co-administrator, helping curate content that includes photos, in-depth articles, and even a published book featuring select stories.

Their commitment to keeping the group interactive has fostered a thriving space where Idahoans contribute personal and family histories, ensuring



Justin Smith (left) and Skip Myers (center) receive congratulations from Governor Little (right). Photos by Eileen Capson

that "little histories" are recorded and celebrated.

The award ceremony, hosted by KTVB News Anchor Brian Holmes, reinforced the importance of living and preserving history. First Lady Teresa Little emphasized the significance of honoring those who inspire, educate, and connect communities through storytelling, restoration, research, and collaboration. "Your work is a gift to Idaho," she said, "giving us space to reflect, learn, and grow. On behalf of the Governor, myself, and the people of Idaho, thank you for your dedication, vision, and heart."

The Idaho State Historical Society presented the awards

at a special ceremony on June 5, 2025, at the Idaho State Museum in Boise. The Esto Perpetua Awards, now in their 26th year, celebrate those who have helped ensure Idaho's rich history remains vibrant for future generations.



HAPPENINGS IN BOISE COUNTY

GARDEN VALLEY - Art & Chocolate Auction on June 14th at the GV Senior Center from 5-7pm.

IDAHO CITY - Basin School District will hold a special board meeting to adopt the proposed maintenance and operation budget for the 2025-26 school year at the HS Media Room and on Zoom.

HORSESHOE BEND - HSB School District #73 will have their budget hearing on June 18th at the High School Library. Their budget will be in next week's newspaper.

GARDEN VALLEY - The GV School District will have their annual budget meeting and proposed fee increase hearing in room B5 on June 18th at 5pm.

GARDEN VALLEY - Terrace Lakes' 2025 Wine & Art Festival on June 21 from 10am to 6pm. Art vendors, live music, and family friendly activities. Over 60 vendor booths, food trucks, and contests.

IDAHO CITY - Fairy & Gnome Fest on June 21st from 1-3pm at the Ray Robison Community Hall. Hosted by the Boise Basin Library. This is a free event, and includes Irish dancers, bagpipers, crafts, and fun. Come dressed in fairy and gnome attire. (Encouraged but not required.)

IDAHO CITY - Gold on Main Car Show on June 21st (Saturday) from 11am to 4pm.

IDAHO CITY - Spirit of the Saddle family event to benefit Basin School's outdoor education program. Come to the rodeo arena in Idaho City, from 10am to 4pm, free! Action, fun, and activities.

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Garden Valley Library Hosts "Color Our World" Summer Reading Fun Run

GARDEN VALLEY -- The Garden Valley District Library kicked off the 2025 Summer Reading Program with a colorful and energetic Fun Run on Saturday, June 7. Families, children, and community members gathered at Weilmunster Park to participate in this safe, non-competitive event, designed to promote both reading and outdoor fun.

Participants followed a course from Weilmunster Park to the GV Library and back, passing through ten color stations where volunteers doused them with vibrant, washable powder. Most runners donned white t-shirts, ensuring that by the end of the race, they were

covered in a dazzling array of colors.

Designed to be inclusive for children of all ages, participants had the freedom to walk, run, or skip their way through the course. The race wrapped up at 12:30 PM, leaving everyone energized and excited for the reading program ahead.

Organizers were thrilled with the turnout and thanked all the volunteers and families who helped make the event a success. As summer begins, the library encourages young readers to dive into books while continuing to enjoy the fun and creativity that events like the Color Our World Fun Run bring to the community.



2025 Library Fun Run

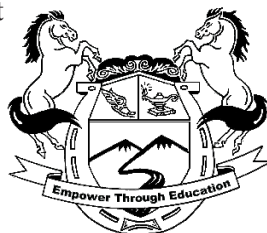
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Levy for Horseshoe Bend School District

Thank you to the patrons of the Horseshoe Bend School District for approving the proposal to renew our expiring supplemental levy. By saying yes, you are allowing us to maintain our current staff, properly maintain and improve our facilities, improve campus safety and security, provide curriculum and materials for students, fund athletics, and more. Your generosity and financial sacrifice will enable us to continue to provide a high-quality education for the children in our community.

On behalf of all of our students and staff, I extend a heartfelt thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school district.

Dennis Chesnut,
Superintendent/6-12 Principal
Horseshoe Bend School District



BOISE COUNTY

Summer Adult Softball Gets Swinging

GARDEN VALLEY -- The GV Adult Softball League wrapped up another exciting night of competition on Thursday, June 5, 2025, with two commanding victories.

The 5:45 pm game saw Fair and Square (white with stars and stripes) facing Tante Emma (light grey). With the Mercy Rule in effect, Fair and Square secured a dominant 28-4 win, demonstrating strong offensive play and teamwork.

Later, in the 7:30 pm matchup, Mel's Mud (light blue) clinched a 16-4 victory over Mtn. Getaway (forest green), closing the game decisively under the Mercy Rule. Their performance capped off an energetic week in the league, reinforcing competitive spirit and camaraderie among all teams.

With summer in full swing, players and fans alike eagerly anticipate more thrilling games ahead in the GV Adult Softball League.



Conor (right) slides into second base for Mel's Mud. Catcher Dani (below) at work.

Photos by Linda Ruppel, DDS



Editor's note: There have been issues with the recording system for the county, but we expect that this will be resolved and the coverage of the commissioners' meetings will resume.



The 7:30 PM game on 6-2-25 was between Tante Emma and KDM. A very fast game as KDM won 30-11 against Tante Emma (Mercy rule). A number of new high school graduates joined some of the teams this summer and more players will join in the coming months as they turn eighteen.

GV Adult Softball Farewell Tribute

GARDEN VALLEY -- A heartfelt farewell tribute was held for George and Heidi Simpson on Thursday, June 5, between GV Adult Softball League games, marking George's final night on the field before the couple relocates to Florida. The evening was made even more special as their oldest daughter joined George on his team, creating a lasting memory for all in attendance.

The GV Adult Softball League, founded by the Simpsons 20 years ago, has flourished under their leadership and grown in popularity, with five teams from GV and two from HSB competing this summer. Over the years, George and Heidi not only organized teams and schedules but also prepped fields, coached, refereed, and helped build the league into a staple of the community. Two years ago, they passed leadership to the Beckmans, and this year, Lisa Willey and Dani Welsh stepped in to continue the tradition.

For many, George was a standout presence on the field,



Marina, George and Heidi Simpson Photo by Linda Ruppel, DDS

known for his skill, sportsmanship, and camaraderie—from sliding into bases to leaping for catches, rolling up with the ball still secured, and consistently hitting into the outfield. As a favorite photography subject, his energy and dedication always shone through.

The Simpsons' departure marks the end of an era, but

their impact on GV softball and the friendships they've built will endure in the hearts of many. Their contributions to the league and the community will not be forgotten, and they leave behind a lasting legacy of teamwork and passion for the game. Wishing them the best in their new chapter!

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Idaho City High School Celebrates Class of 2025 Graduation

IDAHO CITY -- The Idaho City High School graduation ceremony was filled with heartfelt reflections, wisdom, and humor as students, educators, and families gathered to celebrate the Class of 2025.

Former teacher Katherine Cockerille delivered the commencement address, encouraging graduates to embrace lifelong learning beyond assignments and grades. She urged them to stay curious, ask questions, and explore beyond what is known. She also reminded them not to fear failure, as it often leads to personal growth, and closed with a simple but powerful piece of advice: "Be kind."

Superintendent and Principal Tricia Kelly reflected on the unique spirit of Idaho City, where community ties run deep. She reminded students that their small-town roots do not equate to small dreams, but rather provide the foundation for strength and ambition. She

encouraged graduates to represent their hometown proudly, knowing that a dirt road will always lead them home.

Makayla Barber, Salutatorian, inspired graduates to pursue lives that truly fulfill them, adding a humorous touch by joking about underwater basket weaving as a potential career path.

Kendall Exon, Valedictorian, shared a personal reflection on graduating a year early, admitting that her initial reaction was not excitement, but guilt—believing others deserved the honor more. She reminded her classmates that high school is just a small chapter in life, and true fulfillment comes from surrounding oneself with supportive, up-



Valedictorian Kendall Exon

lifting people who believe in them.

The ceremony was a celebration of hard work, growth, and the bright futures ahead. As Idaho City's graduates step forward into the world, they carry with them the strength of their community and the lessons of their journey. Congratulations, Class of 2025!



Congratulations, Class of 2025! Photos by Eileen Capson

Spirit Of The Saddle

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10.00 am - Opening Ceremony Idaho City God & Country Drill Team 10.30 am - Mounted Archery Ricochet Mounted Archer, Karen Silbernagel Danley 11.30 am - Stick Pony Express Relay 12.30 pm - EhCapa Bareback Riders 1.00 pm - Trick Riding & Liberty Foundations & Beyond Horsemanship 1.30 pm - Gymkana - Hide Rides 2.00 pm - Packing String Demo Flowing Springs Outfitters 2.30 pm - Drill Team Clinic - EhCapa 4.00 pm - Closing Ceremony	Activities: Mechanical Bull Ground Roping Fun Food Barrel Train Mounted Archery Tips w/Karen Blacksmith Shop Lots more planned! Arena Games & Performances Free! Food: \$5 Activities: \$5 Wristbands at Gate!
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Starlight Mountain Theatre's *Shrek* Brings Magic to the Stage

GARDEN VALLEY -- The dress rehearsal of *Shrek: The Musical* at Starlight Mountain Theatre on Wednesday evening offered a spectacular preview of the highly anticipated production. With vibrant costumes, dynamic staging, and engaging performances, the show promises to captivate audiences throughout its run.

Among the standout moments was the hilarious and energetic performance of Donkey, who kept the audience entertained from start to finish. The singing and dancing brought the unconventional fairytale to life, showcasing the dedication and talent of the cast. Even the musical numbers acknowledging advertisers at the beginning of the show were cleverly woven in, adding an extra touch of charm.

A friendly reminder: photography and video recording



Shrek scales the tower to rescue the Princess
Photo by Linda Ruppel, DDS

are not permitted during performances, ensuring that the magic of the show remains an immersive experience for all attendees.

With its stunning production value and talented cast, *Shrek: The Musical* at Starlight Mountain Theatre is set to be a must-see event this season.



Dragon and Donkey
Photo by Linda Ruppel, DDS



Lowman Bridge Work



The aging Idaho Highway 21 Bridge over the Southfork of the Payette River in Lowman will be replaced with a new structure that will safely accommodate vehicle and pedestrian traffic,” as reported by the Idaho Transportation Department. The construction of the bridge is projected to span over the next couple of years and additional roadway work will be completed in the spring of 2027.

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Idaho City Honors Retiring Educator Tom Standerwick

IDAHO CITY -- Friends, family, and former students gathered on Sunday, June 8 at Majestic Mountain Ranch to celebrate the retirement of Mr. Tom Standerwick, a beloved educator who has devoted 30 years to teaching and mentoring in the community.

Overwhelmed by the heartfelt appreciation, Standerwick reflected on his career, describing his retirement as a "real mixed emotion"—excited for the next chapter yet deeply sentimental about leaving behind the students, staff, and hallways that have defined his life’s work. He shared how a student-led retirement party brought him to tears, showcasing just how much he impacted

generations of learners.

Throughout his career, Standerwick taught nearly 600 students, serving as a shop teacher, middle school football coach, sixth-grade teacher, and even filling in as a bus driver when needed. His journey to education was shaped by his service in the military and a personal turning point—an injury in construction led him back to college, where he earned top marks and found his true calling in teaching.

The celebration was a testament to the lasting influence of his dedication, with attendees honoring not just a teacher, but a mentor and role model whose passion for education shaped countless lives. As he embarks



Tom Standerwick shared hesitation leaving his life's work.

Photo by Eileen Capson on retirement, the community expresses deep gratitude for his service, knowing that his legacy in Idaho City will endure.

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Thank you to our Local Scholarship Donors!!!

Class of 2025 Local Scholarships

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS		Total
Idaho City Chamber of Commerce	4 Scholarships of \$1,000	4,000
Idaho City Community Club	8 Scholarships of \$500	4,000
Dove-Curtis Masonic Memorial Scholarship	2 Scholarships of \$500	1,000
Jack Alban Memorial	2 of \$1,000 & 1 of \$2,000	4,000
Bob Ashey Perseverance	5 Scholarships of \$2,000	10,000
Boise Ridge Riders Scholarship	2 Scholarships of \$1,000	2,000
Odd Fellows/Rebekaahs	2 Scholarships of \$500	1,000
Bob Glenn Rodeo Scholarship	1 Scholarships of \$1,000	1,000
Kindness Scholarship	1 Scholarship of \$1,000	1,000
Christy Rousset Memorial Scholarship	4 Scholarships of \$500	2,000
D. Harris Memorial Scholarship	1 Scholarship of \$600	600
PENROD/CRAIG ESTATE - follow-up	13 Scholarships -various amounts	18,000
ICHS FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP	1 Scholarship of \$500	500
	LOCAL Scholarship Total \$	49,100

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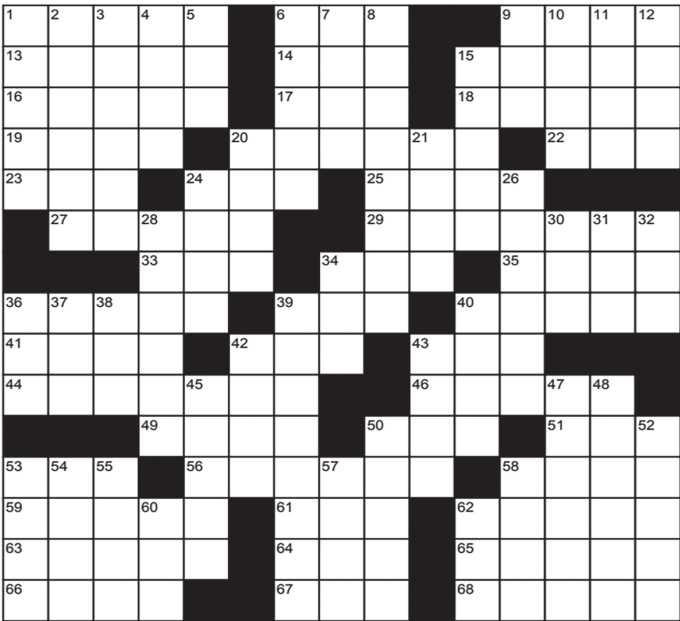
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Chim Chum & the Portly Samurai by Adrian Ropp



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"THERE'S A MILLION WORLDS SURROUNDING A MILLION STARS, BUT MY FRIEND - THERE'S ONLY ONE YOU."

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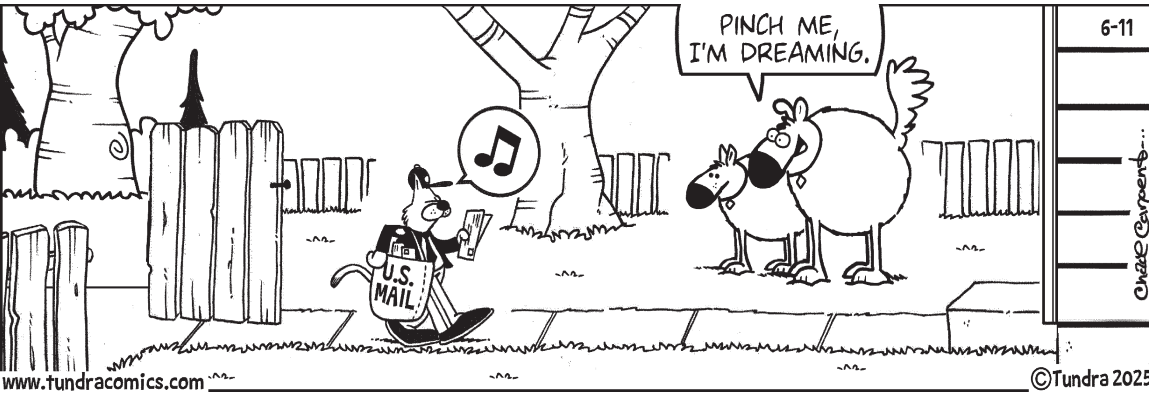
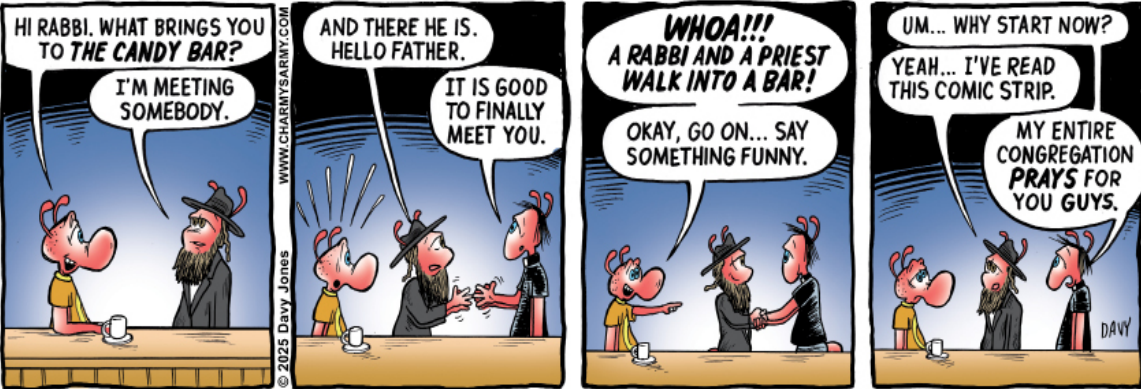
The Idaho World proudly marks a milestone in its publication history with the 300th comic strip of Chim Chum & the Portly Samurai, a series created by Idaho native Adrian Ropp. Through charming storytelling and inspired artistry, Ropp has brought readers consistent joy and laughter, blending gentle humor with heartfelt creativity.

His work continues to resonate, offering lighthearted moments and thoughtful perspectives. With each strip, Chim Chum & the Portly Samurai exemplifies Ropp's passion for his craft and his ability to connect with audiences.

"Milestones are important," Adrian Ropp wrote. "This week, I publish my 300th weekly comic strip in the awesome The Idaho World newspaper. Thank you so much to editor Eileen Capson for taking a chance on me and my humor, and more importantly for giving me a reason to keep trying during my kidney failure. For 5.75 years, we've been working hard to bring the world a little sunshine every week. Art is my love language and I'm so grateful for this outlet!"

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BOISE COUNTY

GV Center for the Arts Opens June Exhibit

GARDEN VALLEY -- The GV Center for the Arts officially opened its June exhibit on Saturday, June 7, featuring stunning oil paintings by Robert and Virgia West, renowned artists from Mountain Home. Their highly detailed and re-

alistic artwork captivated attendees, with over three dozen people gathering to celebrate the launch. Robert (Bob) West, a member of the Oil Painters of America and the International Guild of Realism, has spent most of

his life perfecting his oil painting craft. A former helicopter and airplane technician, pilot, and now FedEx driver, West has a deep love for the ocean and is known for his breathtaking seascapes, in which he captures the emotion and essence of the waves and sky.

Virgia West, an accomplished artist and member of the Oil Painters of America and the Art Renewal Center, has an extensive background in teaching. She previously owned a teaching studio and art store in Eureka, California, where many well-known artists gathered to learn various techniques and mediums.

Their exhibit will be on display throughout June, offering visitors an opportunity to experience their exceptional talent and dedication to realism. The GV Center for the Arts is proud to showcase their work and celebrate the richness of their artistic contributions.



Painting by Virgia West. Photo by Linda Ruppel, DDS



June opening of the GVCA

Photo by Linda Ruppel, DDS

New Tax Reductions and Savings for Idahoans

By Earl McCreary
BOISE COUNTY -- This year, Idaho had four new tax laws passed which will allow everyone to keep a little bit of their money going forward. The four laws are – decrease in Idaho State Income Tax, increase of the Idaho Grocery Credit, Idaho Parental Choice Tax Credit, and a slight increase in Property Tax Relief. I have provided the bill numbers so that you can look up each bill and read it in entirety if you are interested in the details. I will cover the highlights of the bills that affect most people.

The reduction in state income taxes was House Bill 40. This will reduce the individual and corporate tax rate from 5.695% to 5.3%. This bill exempts military pensions from Idaho State Income tax. It removes the capital gains tax for the sale of gold bullion.

House Bill 231 increased the Grocery Tax Credit this year. It increases the Grocery Tax from \$120 to \$155 per person. Not a significant increase, but it does give us a little extra money. Remember that even if you are not required to file an Idaho Income tax return, you still can get the Grocery Tax Credit. This does require you to file your state tax returns.

Idaho Parental Choice Tax Credit House Bill 93 provides a tax credit for families that are home schooling or pursuing other non-public schooling. It provides a \$5000 tax credit per student and \$7500 tax credit for a child with disabilities requiring ancillary personnel as defined in section 33-2001 of the Idaho Code. This will be for qualified expenses. You

will need to retain your receipts and provide them to claim the tax credit. This has different qualifications, and I highly recommend you read the bill if it may apply to you. The Idaho Tax Commission states it will require an application. There is not any information available on this application that I can find. It appears to be a work in progress. The Tax Commission has this statement on their website, “When we have program details available, we’ll make them public.”

Property tax reduction was increased this year, with House Bill 304. This was a temporary relief until this year, when it was made permanent. This only applies to properties that have a Homeowner Exemption attached to the property. Chris Juszcak, the Boise County Assessor, said that calculating the reduction is complex and will be different each year. You can see how much this is on your tax bill. There is a line towards the bottom that will say “Homeowner Tax Relief.” This line item is not included in the Summer Assessment Notice. An example of this reduction for 2024 is “Current value assessment of \$154,833, the relief last year was \$50.84.” This amount will change each year.

All the information above is provided for public awareness. It is recommended that you read the bills for more details and consult with your tax preparer for further information and to learn how you can take advantage of these tax reliefs.



SATURDAY & SUNDAY
JUNE 21-22
9AM-6PM



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FOR RENT:

Office space for rent in Crouch Idaho. Rent is \$600 a month. Please call 208-462-4687, Tuesday-Thursday 10:00-2:00, for details.

HELP WANTED:

CITY OF IDAHO CITY IS CURRENTLY SEEKING TO HIRE FOR A PUBLIC WORKS POSITION

Performs a variety of maintenance work and operates a variety of equipment in the construction, operation, repair, maintenance, and replacement of City water, sewer, street, and storm drainage facilities and systems.

Operates light and medium-sized construction and power equipment, such as mechanized broom, or backhoe/loader.

Performs required labor involved in construction and maintenance projects as part of a crew, including pavement cutting, ditch digging, manhole and line cleaning, main and pipe repair, laying and backfilling.

Required to be on call for emergency work, snowplowing in winter, and any other city emergency as required.

Operates a variety of power construction and maintenance equipment used in the water, sewer, and street department.

Other duties as upkeep of all City property (weeding, mowing). May be required to pick up and dispose of trash in all City trash cans. Required to do water meter readings and return them to the City Clerk. Performs and completes other duties as assigned.

Full job description and applications are available at City Hall, 511 Main St., Idaho City, Id. Mon.-Thu. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

Boise County Road & Bridge Department is accepting applications for full time Equipment Operators for the Garden Valley, Horseshoe Bend, & Idaho City areas. Benefits include health insurance, paid vacation, paid sick time, paid holidays and PERSI retirement. See job description, below. Pre-employment Drug testing, background check & Class A CDL with tanker endorsement is required. Boise County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and gives Veteran's Preference in hiring practices. To apply, submit to kcoffelt@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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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 cjszczak@co.boise.id.us the following: (1) a filled-out Boise County application form; (2) a cover letter; and (3) a resume.

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

SCHOOLS ANNOUNCE LUNCH POLICIES :

Local school districts have all announced their policies and guidelines for Free and Reduced Price Meals for the school year. Check with your local school for more information.

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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.)

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See ya Sunday at the Merc

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BUSINESSES

Anthony Insurance Group - Medicare.....(208) 477-7057
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Billy Bob's Rentals & Event Center.....(208) 462-5262
Boise County Sanitation, LLC.....(208) 488-5908
Castle Mt. Homes - Contractor.....(208) 462-2882
Dave's Welding/Auto Repair.....(208) 392-4270
My Place(208) 392-9666
Garibaldi Charters.....(800) 900-4665
Garden Valley Dental.....(208) 462-2220
Garden Valley Properties.....(208) 462-4620
Home Boutique.....(208) 392-5223
High Ground Electric(208) 342-0519
Jeannie Kittelmann Realtor.....(208) 703-6307
Medicare Benefits.....(208) 350-9933
Miller Enterprises Trash pick up(208) 793-2561
Mt. Properties for Sale.....(208) 331-7929
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Spring is finally here and our golf course is ready for you. You can book tee times by calling 462-3314 or online at terracelakes.com.

On May 17 & 18, we will be selling 12" Flower Hanging Baskets for \$45.00 from 10am to 6pm. You can preorder on our website at terracelakes.com or come and see all the different baskets at the Lodge. Our Wine & Art Festival will be on June 21st from 10am to 7pm. We'll have a lot of vendors and wine connoisseurs. 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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Sat. & Sun.
10am-Close

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 July 8, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioners Room, Miners Exchange, 420 Main St. Idaho City, ID regarding: SMP 2025-004 Buck Bluff Minor Subdivision. Application and related materials can be found on the Planning and Zoning website or are available in the Boise County Planning and Zoning office. 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 TO CREDITORS
Case No. CV08-25-00098**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
JOHN BRADLEY HILEMAN
and
LINDA SUE HILEMAN
Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedents. All persons having claims against the decedents or their estates are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

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

DATED this 29th day of May, 2025.

John Bradley Hileman, Jr.
Warren Edward Hileman
By: Frank Walker, ISB # 3740
Attorneys for Personal Representative
DAVIS & WALKER
250 S. 5th St., Suite 850,
Boise, ID 83702
Frankwalker@boiselaw.net

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Case No. CV08-25-00079
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE
FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF
THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF BOISE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
LOUIS A. LUCERO,
Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JEAN E. LUCERO and CHRISTINE A. McLEOD have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Louis A. Lucero. All persons having claims against Decedent Louis A. Lucero or his Estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice; or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED 05/21/2025.
JEAN E. LUCERO
Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of Louis A. Lucero
c/o JOHNSON MAY
199 N. Capitol Blvd., Suite 200

		NOTICE OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING							
		BUDGET HEARING							
		BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HORSESHOE BEND SCHOOL DISTRICT #73							
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a special board of trustees meeting of School District #73, Boise County, Idaho, will be held on the 18th day of June, 2025, at 6:30pm, at the Horseshoe Bend School Library, at which meeting there shall be a public hearing on the proposed maintenance and operation budget for the 2025-26 school year. A copy of the proposed tentative budget is available for public inspection at the Horseshoe Bend District Office at 398 School Drive, Horseshoe Bend, ID between the hours of 9am and 3pm, Monday - Thursday, from the date of this notice until the date of the hearing, and will also be available at the Budget Hearing.									
Dated this 9TH day of June, 2025, Cindy Esposito, Clerk of the Board									
Horseshoe Bend School District #73, Boise County, Idaho									
		SUMMARY STATEMENT 2025 - 2026 SCHOOL BUDGET							
		ALL FUNDS							
		School District ____ Horseshoe Bend School District #73							
		GENERAL M & O FUND				ALL OTHER FUNDS			
		Prior Year Actual	Prior Year Actual	Prior Year Actual/Budget	Proposed Budget	Prior Year Actual	Prior Year Actual	Prior Year Actual/Budget	Proposed Budget
		2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
REVENUES									
Beginning Balances		0	0	35031	0	911,739	559,927	470,342	1,357,644
Local Tax Revenue		309,000	307,500	354,615	310,169	65,250	100,825	67,000	50,000
Other Local		0	21,500	0	0	0	0	0	0
County Revenue		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Revenue		2,386,655	2,667,968	2,748,063	2,690,402	94,681	98,461	273,100	1,110,404
Federal Revenue		0	0	0	0	631,665	568,113	466,150	162,352
Other Sources		17,504	0	0	0	208,995	124,097	52,011	77,000
Totals		\$2,713,159.00	\$2,996,968.00	\$3,137,709.00	\$3,000,571.00	\$1,912,330.00	\$1,451,423.00	\$1,328,603.00	\$2,757,400.00
		Prior Year Actual/Budget	Prior Year Actual	Prior Year Actual/Budget	Proposed Budget	Prior Year Actual/Budget	Proposed Budget	Prior Year Actual/Budget	Proposed Budget
EXPENDITURES		2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2023-2024
Salaries		1,542,838	1,679,770	1,741,762	1,787,196	435,886	449,907	307,215	343,269
Benefits		545,230	713,474	643,826	646,752	205,596	230,805	148,410	176,413
Purchased Services		248,491	291,238	430,464	263,250	236,057	203,500	184,701	163,577
Supplies & Materials		103,500	90,830	196,894	80,188	164,125	152,301	126,949	180,598
Capital Outlay		27,500	36,500	22,500	7,500	122,959	20,000	100,000	255,004
Debt Retirement		0	0	0	0	144,100	152,200	143,800	143,300
Insurance & Judgments		42,000	43,500	48,252	58,000	0	0	0	0
Transfers (net)		138,995	124,097	52,011	147,933	87,504	0	0	147933
Contingency Reserve		64,605	17,559	0	9,752				
Unappropriated Balances		0.00	0	0.00	0	516,103.00	242,710.00	317,528.00	1,347,306.00
Totals		\$2,713,159.00	\$2,996,968.00	\$3,135,709.00	\$3,000,571.00	\$1,912,330.00	\$1,451,423.00	\$1,328,603.00	\$2,757,400.00
A copy of the School District Budget is available for public inspection at the District's Administrative or Clerk's Office.									

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DATED 05/21/2025.
CHRISTINE A. McLEOD
Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of Louis A. Lucero
c/o JOHNSON MAY
199 N. Capitol Blvd., Suite 200
Boise, ID 83702

DATED 05/21/2025.
JOHNSON MAY
By: SHELI FULCHER KOONTZ
Attorney for the Estate of Louis A. Lucero

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102 Quinn Street

Horseshoe Bend, ID 83629

Treasure Valley Path

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with IDAPA 15.10.01.011.05 (“ISLD Rule” 011.05), the Idaho State Liquor Division (ISLD) hereby gives public notice that it is considering the relocation of the existing contract liquor store located at 284 Village Circle, Crouch, Idaho. The store will continue to be operated as a Contract Store as defined in ISLD Rule 004. The desired location of said Contract Store is described as:

Within the retail trade area of Crouch, County of Boise, State of Idaho.

Please note that Idaho Statute 23-303 asserts that no liquor store shall be located within 300 feet of a school.

If interested in being considered to operate a Contract Store in Crouch, you may inquire about or request an application by emailing the Idaho State Liquor Division:

Sally.ray@liquor.idaho.gov

Applications will be considered by the ISLD Director in accordance with ISLD Rule 011.06. Completed applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 26, 2025

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NOTICE OF HEARING OF PETITION FOR ANNEXATION OF LANDS

TO NAMPA & MERIDIAN IRRIGATION DISTRICT

A request for annexation has been filed by **Gary A and Penny A Childe, 909 E Boise Avenue, Boise, ID 83706** with Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District for annexation of lands legally described as: parcels of land being a portion of SEC 24 3N 2E, Boise, **Ada County**, Idaho and being more particularly described as follows:

LOT 4 BLK 1 CONCEPT 500 SUB-DIVISION, SEC 24 3N 2E

The Board of Directors of Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District has set **01 July 2025** at **9:15 a.m.** at the office of the Board at 1503 First Street South, Nampa, Idaho for a hearing to accept or reject the Petition for Annexation. Any persons interested or who may be affected by such change of boundaries should appear at said hearing and show cause, in writing, why the lands should not be annexed to said District. Failure of any person to appear will be taken as an assent to a change in the boundaries. The Board of Directors will take all information presented at the hearing into consideration before rendering their decision.

If the Board of Directors deems it not for the best interest of the District to include the lands mentioned in the petition, the Board shall order that the petition be rejected. But, if they deem it for the best interest of the District to annex said property, the Board may order the lands mentioned in said petition or some part thereof annexed to said District. An order shall be issued by the Board to annex said property, but said order shall not become effective until the ninety (90) day period for presentation of an election petition shall have expired without such petition

being presented or until approval of the annexation at an election.

If within the ninety (90) days of Board approval of an order allowing annexation a petition signed by either ten (10) landowners or by two percent (2%) of the landowners, whichever number is greater,

of the District is presented to the Board which petition states that those signing request an election to approve or disapprove said annexation, then the Board shall order an election be held within said District to determine whether the boundaries of the District shall be changed as mentioned in said order.

Lorri J. Gray, Secretary/
Treasurer
Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District
1503 First Street South
Nampa, Idaho 83651
Telephone: 208-466-7861

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NOTICE OF PENDING ISSUE OF TAX DEED FOR 2021 DELINQUENT TAXES

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Idaho Code 63-1005, that taxes were duly levied and assessed for the year 2021 and have not been paid and are now delinquent upon the hereinafter described real estate in the County of Boise, State of Idaho; that entry of such delinquency was duly made January 1, 2025, as required by law; that the time of redemption of said property from said taxes expires on July 22, 2025, at 5:00 pm; and if not paid a tax deed will be issued to said County of Boise pursuant to Idaho Code 63-1006(6). The following are parcels of said delinquency certificates along with year delinquent, description of the property, name and last known address of the person/persons who are the record owners of said properties and the total amount due, including 2% late charge, 1% per month interest figured to June 20, 2025, plus additional fees and costs, including title reports, preparation costs and advertising.

The record owner/owners of said properties are further notified that they have the right to be heard, confront and cross examine any witness against them, and obtain the present evidence on their behalf prior to notice and information contained herein. Questions and/or comments should be directed to the Boise County Treasurer, Po Box 1300 Idaho City ID 83631, telephone number (208) 392-4441.

A hearing has been scheduled with the Boise County Commissioners for July 22, 2025, at 10:00am, or as soon thereafter as possible, pursuant to deeding properties not redeemed. You are hereby notified that if you have any reason you believe there has been an error or other reasons this property should not be deeded, you should attend this meeting.

Parcel Number/Owners/Last Known Address	Property Address/Legal Description	2021 Amounts Due	
RP015020020060 GIBBONS TIMOTHY S GIBBONS MARY E 12 RED BLUFF RD BOISE ID 83716	12 RED BLUFF RD BOISE ID 83716 T5N R4E CLEAR CREEK ESTATES 2 BLK 2 LOT 6 SEC 28	Taxes/Certs:	469.11
		Late Charge:	4.66
		Interest:	197.34
		Fees/Costs:*	318.48
		DELINQUENT:	989.59
RP043010000200 MORRIS TRACYA MORRIS GERALDINE L 4455 W BLOOM ST BOISE ID 83703	21 THUNDERBOLT RD GARDEN VALLEY ID 83622 T10N R4E SEC 13 MIDDLE FORK SUB LOT 20	Taxes/Certs:	767.14
		Late Charge:	6.22
		Interest:	322.13
		Fees/Costs:*	336.48
		DELINQUENT:	1,431.97
RP055010010050 BRUNKO AARON BRUNKO JESSICA 3066 TRIUMPH LN BOISE ID 83705	43 SPRING CANYON RD BOISE ID 83716 T4N R3E SEC 24 PINES SUB 1 BLK 1 LOT 5	Taxes/Certs:	147.54
		Late Charge:	1.47
		Interest:	62.06
		Fees/Costs:*	327.19
		DELINQUENT:	538.26
RP083040000240 GREEN KATHLEEN GEHIKE ERIC A 25594 PASEO LA CRESTA LAGUNA NIGEL CA 92677	T4N R4E SEC 28 WILDERNESS RANCH SUB 4 LOT 24	Taxes/Certs:	506.32
		Late Charge:	5.06
		Interest:	213.01
		Fees/Costs:*	318.50
		DELINQUENT:	1,042.89
RP08N05E120048 GEO RESOURCES CORPORATION C/O JAMES CUNNINGHAM PO BOX 521758 SALT LAKE CITY UT 84152	T8N R5E SEC 12 PTN OF TAX 20 SURVEY 3455	Taxes/Certs:	112.46
		Late Charge:	1.13
		Interest:	47.31
		Fees/Costs:*	309.77
		DELINQUENT:	470.67
RP08N05E130048 GEO RESOURCES CORPORATION C/O JAMES CUNNINGHAM PO BOX 521758 SALT LAKE CITY UT 84152	T8N R5E SEC 13 PTN OF SURVEY #S 2830 & 3455	Taxes/Certs:	80.90
		Late Charge:	0.81
		Interest:	34.02
		Fees/Costs:*	309.77
		DELINQUENT:	425.50
RP08N05E149500 GEO RESOURCES CORPORATION C/O JAMES CUNNINGHAM PO BOX 521758 SALT LAKE CITY UT 84152	30 WHITE CAP RD + PLACERVILLE ID 83666 T8N R5E SEC 14 PTN OF SURVEY #S 3052, 3679, 2680, 2681, 2830, 3455 PT OF TAX 6, 7, 8, 11 LESS EASEMENT	Taxes/Certs:	195.46
		Late Charge:	1.95
		Interest:	82.22
		Fees/Costs:*	309.79
		DELINQUENT:	589.42
RP08N05E221850 GEO RESOURCES CORPORATION C/O JAMES CUNNINGHAM PO BOX 521758 SALT LAKE CITY UT 84152	T8N R5E SEC 22 PTN'S OF M S #2681 (THERON, FRANCIS FLORENCE, CHARLOTTE & 3456 (HARPER NO 1 & 2)	Taxes/Certs:	123.08
		Late Charge:	1.23
		Interest:	51.77
		Fees/Costs:*	309.79
		DELINQUENT:	485.87
RP08N05E230650 GEO RESOURCES CORPORATION C/O JAMES CUNNINGHAM PO BOX 521758 SALT LAKE CITY UT 84152	11 GOLDEN AGE MINE RD + PIONEERVILLE ID 83631 T8N R5E SEC 23 PTN'S OF M S #S 3052, 2669, 2680, 2681 A PART OF TAX 2, 6, 7 & 8	Taxes/Certs:	1,658.60
		Late Charge:	16.59
		Interest:	697.80
		Fees/Costs:*	309.79
		DELINQUENT:	2,682.78
RP09501000014A RFH LLC 7175 N SPURWING RIM PL MERIDIAN ID 83646	72 THUNDER RD GARDEN VALLEY ID 83622 T10N R4E SEC 13 AMENDED RECORDERS PLAT LIGHTNING CREEK SUB LOT 14 (FORMERLY TAX 96) AND 1995 PATENT FOR GOVT LOT 1	Taxes/Certs:	803.36
		Late Charge:	0
		Interest:	334.64
		Fees/Costs:*	319.06
		DELINQUENT:	1,457.06
RPH0002009019A CLURE MICHAEL J CLURE MARGO L 104 FOSS ST HORSESHOE BEND ID 83629-5127	102 FOSS ST + HORSESHOE BEND ID 83629 T7N R2E SEC 26 HSB ORIGINAL TOWNSITE BLK 9 LOTS 19,20,TAX 207(RD)	Taxes/Certs:	249.57
		Late Charge:	0.82
		Interest:	104.29
		Fees/Costs:*	327.19
		DELINQUENT:	681.87
RPH00030030100 MCKEE ERIK L OLSEN VENITA 347 HWY 55 HORSESHOE BEND ID 83629	345 HWY 55 HORSESHOE BEND ID 83629 OLSEN ADDITION BLK 3 LOT 10	Taxes/Certs:	133.80
		Late Charge:	0.14
		Interest:	55.78
		Fees/Costs:*	327.19
		DELINQUENT:	516.91

Dated this 2nd day of June, 2025.

* Breakdown of Fees/Costs available upon request

BOISE COUNTY
Treasurer and Ex-Officio Tax Collector of BOISE COUNTY, IDAHO

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BOISE COUNTY

The Abbott Brothers: Building Roads and Dreams in Early Idaho

By Dawna Booth

BOISE COUNTY -- James Asahel Abbott (“Asa”) and Anna Maria Shelby married in Missouri in 1852 before heading west to Oregon, where they homesteaded 640 acres. Asa soon made a name for himself, serving as a captain of volunteers during the Rogue River War and later as County Sheriff.

Seeking new opportunities, the Abbotts relocated to Pine Grove—also called Morestown—one mile above Idaho City, Idaho, during the Boise Basin goldrush. There, they

ran a General Merchandise store while Asa acquired several mining claims and the 160-acre Coffman Ranch along the Upper Payette River, later known as the Tucker Place.

Asa’s brother, William (“Billy”) Abbott, a former Justice of the Peace in Pine Grove, settled across the river. Billy purchased the Peter Haubrick Ranch one mile below Ostner’s bridge. Together, the brothers employed several men growing and supplying fresh vegetables to miners, a much-needed service in the boomtown economy. They were community builders as well, constructing the first roads and founding the first school in Garden Valley.

Their efforts didn’t go unnoticed. *The Idaho World* newspaper, on October 26, 1866, reported:

“ABBOTT’S NEW ROAD – the road some time ago laid out by J.S. Abbott, from Placerville to the Valley of the Middle Fork

of the Payette, is now completed and open for travel. It runs northerly from Placerville to the old Lewiston trail, crosses the Payette near Thomas’ bridge, and thence northwesterly to Ewing’s bridge... It is Mr. Abbott’s intention to complete the road to Round Valley early in the ensuing summer.... The energetic and public spirited projector merits not only the thanks of the public for it, but also an adequate substantial reward.”

Asa, never one to miss an opportunity, introduced a bill in December 1866 during his time in the Territorial Legislature to authorize the road as a toll road. Rates were carefully structured: \$3.00 for each wagon with one span of animals, 50 cents for each additional pair, and 50 cents for each riding animal and man, 25 cents for a loose unpacked animal and only 10 cents for each sheep or hog. Return trips were half-

price.

Interestingly, on January 8, 1872, the *Idaho World* reported:

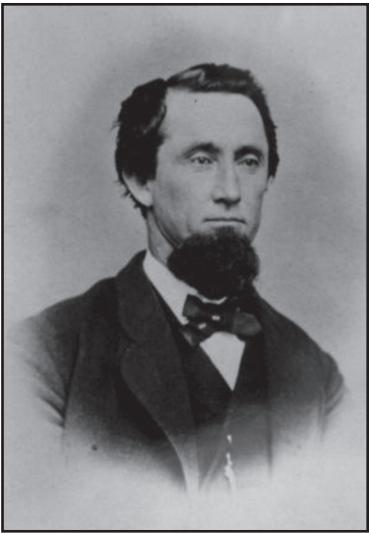
“County Commissioners ordered that the road leaving from Placerville to the Upper Payette Valley with the bridge across the Main Payette River be and the same is hereby declared a County Road and Public Highway.” Why?

Although James Asa Abbott envisioned connecting Upper Payette Valley to Round Valley, he never finished the road himself. It wasn’t until around 1882 that the Oregon Short Line Railroad completed a route through the area, shifting the course of development.

James’ story ended far from the Payette Valley he helped shape. While living in Denison, Texas, he tragically took his own life on January 1, 1873.

In the next edition, you will read of the tragic events that may have led to his suicide.

Sources: *Idaho World*, Idaho State Historical library and Law Library, Boise Statesman, Idaho Territorial Census, Boise County Courthouse



James Asahel Abbott (1831 to 1872)
Photos from James & Anna Abbott FamilySearch.org



Anna Maria Shelby Abbott Spooner (1833-1926)



Anna with daughter Ida Mae Spooner and husband Milo Blair
Children oldest down : Milton, Anna, Milo, Trevor, Bessie, and Elvin

Boise County Wildlife



A second look from a deer in the velvet. Photo by Eileen Capson

OBITUARY



Thomas Faull
1946 - 2025

Thomas Faull, 78, of Horseshoe Bend, Idaho passed away on May 30, 2025. Born Thomas George Faull to Thomas R. and Dorothy M. Faull on Octo-

ber 10, 1946, in Boise, Idaho.

Thomas graduated from Boise High School in 1964, attended Boise Junior College, and graduated from The University of Idaho with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He married Anita Dallolio in 1968, with whom he had two sons, James Aldo and Eric Jason. He married Donna M. Kent on August 6th, 2004, with whom he remained until his death. His engineering career started with the United States Bureau of Reclamation, and he later worked at J.U.B. Engineers, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, and operated sev-

eral of his own businesses. He enjoyed the outdoors, camping, and flying airplanes, and he was an accomplished mechanic and craftsman.

He is survived by his spouse, Donna M. Kent; children, James Aldo Faull and Eric Jason Faull; and grandchildren, James Allen Faull and Hudson Thomas Faull.

A casual memorial service will be held at the Horseshoe Bend Pioneer Cemetery at 10:00 AM on June 14, 2025.

Arrangements are in the care of the Potter Funeral Chapel.

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