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Garden Valley Health Resource Fair Connects Community with Wellness Services

GARDEN VALLEY — Residents had the opportunity to explore a wide range of health, wellness, and general community resources during the Garden Valley Wellness Way Health Resource Fair held Saturday, October 10, at the Garden Valley District Library.

The event brought together local healthcare providers, businesses, nonprofit organizations, and community groups to share information, answer questions, and connect residents with services available in Garden Valley and throughout the region.

Visitors learned about a variety of health and wellness topics, including mental health, physical fitness, nutrition, dental care, emergency services, and family support. Attendees were able to receive chair massages from Mountain Therapeutic Massage, while Medicap Pharmacy offered immunizations. Heavenly Smiles provided information about affordable dental hygiene options, Horizon Home Health and Hospice shared details about home health and hospice care, and Garden Valley Family Medicine highlighted local healthcare services.

Additional participants included Central District Health, Svenson Hypnosis, Deerbrook Counseling, Trillium Healing, Children's Therapy Place, and Mental Health Care Kits. Zinzino shared information on cellular health and test-based nutrition, while the Treasure Valley Family YMCA and VLNK Academy showcased fitness, jiu-jitsu, and martial arts opportunities.

The fair also featured organizations serving a variety of community needs. The Garden Valley Food Pantry, Wish Granters, Garden Valley Fire Auxiliary, and Life Flight Network provided information about their programs and services. Local agricultural and gardening interests were represented by the Garden Valley Gardeners and Garden Valley Lavender Farm, while Escape with Tia offered travel-planning resources. The ICAC Task Force also shared information focused on internet crimes against children and online safety awareness.

With dozens of organizations represented, the fair provided residents with a convenient opportunity to ask questions, learn about available resources, and connect directly with organizations that support individuals and families throughout the community.

The Wellness Way Health Resource Fair was presented through a partnership between the Boise County Health Coalition, Garden Valley District Library, Garden Valley Wolverines, and the Garden Valley Senior Center. Organizers said the event highlighted the value of bringing community resources together in one location, helping residents become better informed about the services and support available to them.



Garden Valley Wellness Way Health Resource Fair held Saturday, October 10, at the Garden Valley District Library.



Leslie Lazo, a member of GVFD Auxiliary
Photos by Linda Ruppel, DDS



Mental Health Kits



Garden Valley Gardeners



Stephany DeValle-Corn greeted the attendees in the parking lot where you could register and get raffle tickets.

HAPPENINGS IN BOISE COUNTY

GARDEN VALLEY - Haunted Woods at Starlight Mountain Theatre. Saturdays only during the month of October from 5pm to 10 pm. Corn pit, bounce house, face painting and pumpkins.

IDAHO CITY - Idaho City Historical Foundation will host a presentation on the legacy of Sen. Frank Church during its annual meeting at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, at Ray Robison Community Hall. The event commemorates the 50th anniversary of Church's presidential campaign announcement in Idaho City and features Boise State University scholar Dr. Stephanie "Sam" Martin. Admission is free, with refreshments and homemade pastries to follow.

GARDEN VALLEY - Candidate Forum including several running for Senate, House and Governor on October 12th at 6pm, River Canyon Retreat Gym - 1074 Banks Lowman Road. An opportunity to ask questions before the election. Presented by Garden Valley Women Forward group.

IDAHO CITY - Bingo and costume party on October 30th at the Ray Robison Community Hall. Dinner starts at 5pm with chili and cornbread. Bingo begins at 6pm. Costume contest: 0-10, 11-18, and 19+. All proceeds go to the restoration efforts of the community hall.

LOWMAN - Trunk or Treat on October 30th at 5pm, held at Station #80. Games, nachos, treats, best costume and best trunk winners. The haunted house is back and even bigger this year!

CROUCH - Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 31. Family fun with carnival, firepits, and candy!

IDAHO CITY - Holiday Craft Bazaar at the Ray Robison Community Hall on Nov. 6 (4-7pm), 7 (10am-6pm), and 8 (11am-4pm). Vendor booths, raffles, and lots of treasures to buy! Homemade cinnamon rolls *(Saturday only)*, sweet breads, homemade fudge, homemade chili and cornbread served.

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Regional Emergency Responders Build Confidence Behind the Wheel

IDAHO CITY — The Idaho City Fire Protection District hosted a two-day, 16-hour Emergency Vehicle Operations Course on October 10 and 11, bringing together firefighters and emergency personnel from across the region for hands-on driver training and safety instruction.

Sponsored by the State of Idaho Fire Service Training program, the course included participants from Clear Creek Fire, Robie Creek Fire, Placerville Fire, Lowman Fire, and the East Boise County EMS District. The district also welcomed instructors Randy Thompson and Clint Edwards of Rupert Fire, who dedicated their weekend to sharing their extensive experience and expertise.

The department expressed its appreciation to Basin School District for allowing use of the football field parking lot for the training exercises and to Duquette Pines for providing access to neighborhood roads used during the course.

The first half of the opening day focused on classroom instruction, covering defensive driving techniques, emergency vehicle laws in Idaho, and safe operating practices. Participants then moved outdoors for practical driving exercises designed to familiarize operators with their apparatus and improve maneuvering skills.

Training stations included a slalom course requiring drivers to navigate emergency vehicles through evenly spaced cones before backing through the same course from both directions. Drivers also practiced parallel parking large apparatus in a confined 20-by-40-foot space, a challenging task when operating vehicles weighing up to 60,000 pounds and measuring 35 feet long and 9 feet wide.

Additional exercises included backing into alley dock scenarios from both the left and right sides and maneuvering through a diminishing lane that narrowed from 9 feet, 6 inches to just 8 feet, 2 inches before widening again.

On the second day, participants repeated the driving exercises at higher speeds while adding emergency stopping drills for unexpected roadway hazards. Drivers also practiced three-point turnarounds and learned techniques for safely reversing out of potentially hostile environments.

The final portion of the course took place on narrow, winding roads where drivers encountered hills, curves, other emergency vehicles, and civilian traffic. The realistic conditions helped participants gain confidence in both their own abilities and the capabilities of their equipment while reinforcing safe driving habits.

The Idaho City Fire Protection District noted that the training strengthened skills throughout the participating departments and highlighted the importance of ongoing education for emergency responders.

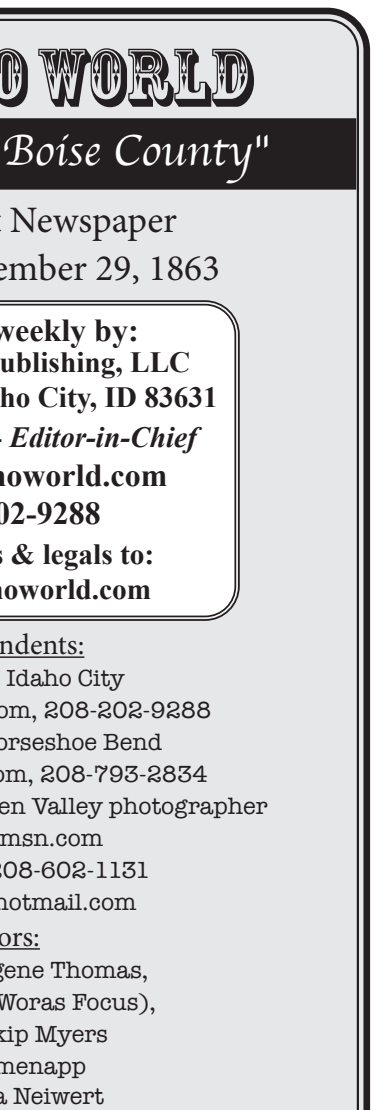
Community members are encouraged to thank the volunteers who dedicate countless hours to serving their communities. Local fire departments and EMS agencies are also seeking additional volunteers. No prior experience is necessary, and extensive training is provided for those interested in serving with their local emergency response organizations.



Idaho City hosts multi-agency emergency vehicle training. ***Photos courtesy of John Ward***



Local volunteers strengthen skills through advanced driver training.



An obstacle course in Idaho City's football field parking lot. ***Photos courtesy of John Ward***

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Eric Ruppel and Doug Ooley driving

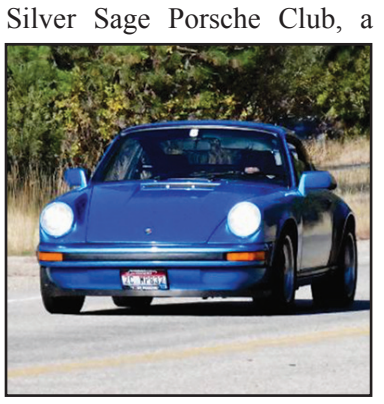


The Village in Meridian *Photos by Linda Ruppel, DDS*

BOISE COUNTY — Members of the Silver Sage Porsche Club made their annual rally through Boise County on October 3, drawing the attention of local photographer Linda Ruppel.

Ruppel photographed the event as 28 Porsches traveled through the county. The first group was led by a silver Porsche 911, while the second group was headed by driver Doug Ooley in a silver GT4 with passenger Eric Ruppel waving as they passed. The Silver Sage Porsche Club, a member of the Porsche Club of America, is celebrating 60 years of activities and events for Porsche enthusiasts.

The following day, the club hosted an open house at The Village in Meridian, featuring more than 80 Porsches ranging from classic models to the newest designs. The event drew a large crowd of car enthusiasts, with vehicles filling several streets on a beautiful fall day. Organizers reported that the turn out exceeded available display space, with even more cars arriving than could be accommodated.



Porsche cruisin' in Boise County.



A clear night sky made for a spectacular view of the Draconids meteor shower. *Photo by Linda Ruppel, DDS*

Boise Basin Senior Center Thanks Community for Idaho City Days Support

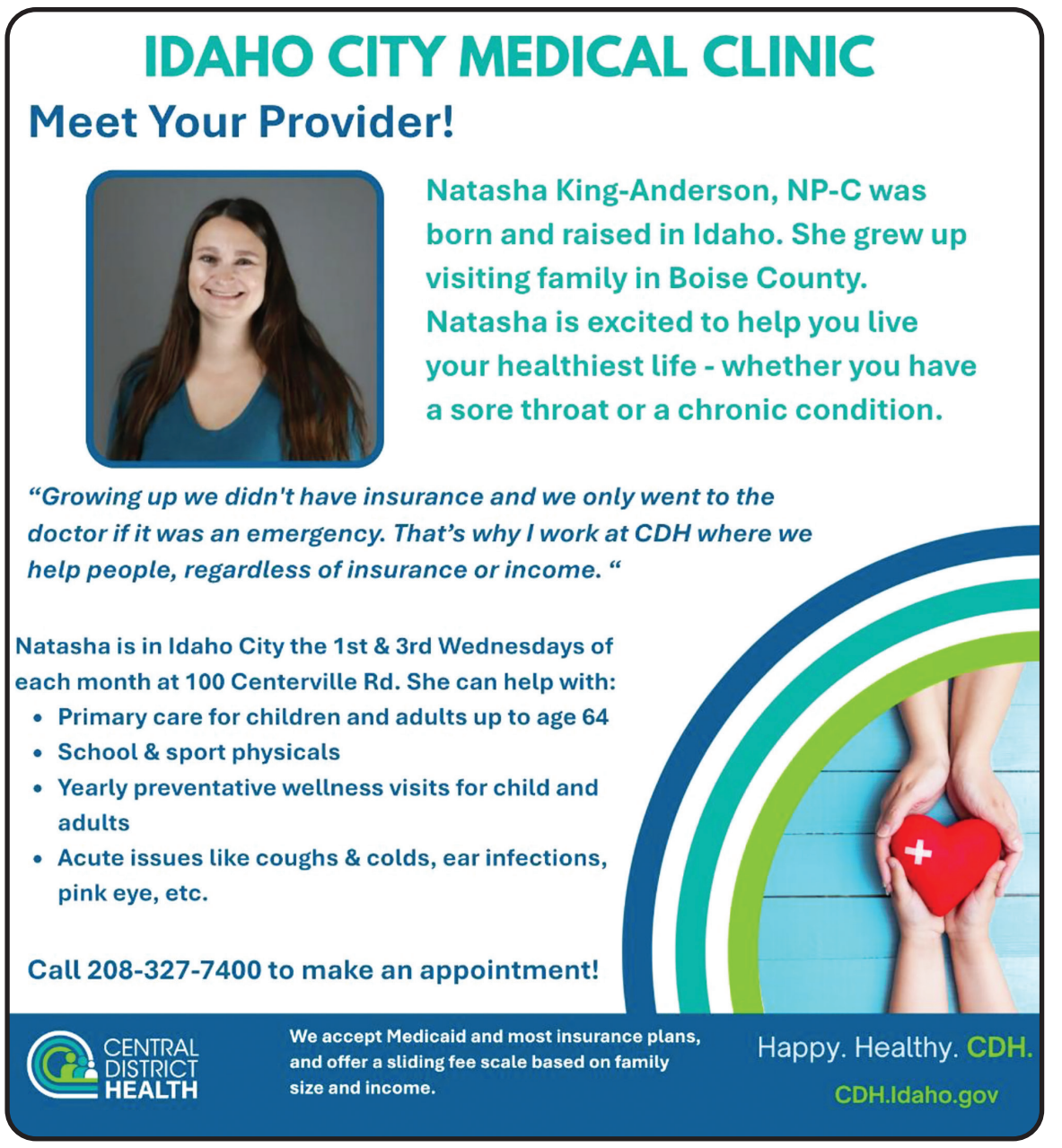
IDAHO CITY — The Boise Basin Senior Center would like to thank everyone who supported its booth during Idaho City Days. Thanks to the community's generosity, the center's raffles were a great success.

Raffle winners included Renae of Clear Creek, who won the fleece blanket; Kelli of Idaho City, who won the wine basket; and Tim of Idaho City, who won the Halloween basket.

Funds raised through the raffles help the Senior Center provide nutritious meals and continue operating the Idaho City Food Bank.

The Senior Center would also like to extend a special thank you to Carolyn Garrison for donating the fleece blanket that was featured in the raffle.

"Again, thank you for your support."







BOISE COUNTY

Idaho City Historical Foundation Marks 50 Years Since Frank Church's Presidential Announcement

IDAHO CITY — "The best roads in life lead home again."

Those words, spoken by U.S. Senator Frank Church on the steps of the Boise County Courthouse in Idaho City on March 18, 1976, were remembered and celebrated as the Idaho City Historical Foundation held its 2026 annual meeting on October 11 at the Ray Robison Community Hall.

This year's gathering commemorated the 50th anniversary of the day Church returned to his family's roots in Idaho City to announce his candidacy for President of the United States.

Standing before supporters in the historic mining town where his grandfather first settled during the gold rush and where his father was born before Idaho achieved statehood, Church opened his announcement with a tribute to his heritage and the spirit of the American West.

"The best roads in life lead home again," Church said. "Today in the company of my wife and family, I come here again to Idaho City, where my grandfather first settled during the gold rush and where my father was born before Idaho had yet become a state."

He continued by honoring the determination and faith of the pioneers who settled the West, concluding, "In that spirit the West was won, and in that spirit I now declare my candidacy for president of the United States."

Church's son, Forrest Church, later reflected on his father's decision to enter the race despite facing steep odds. Entering the presidential contest after many of the primary elections had already been decided or closed was, he wrote, "a stupendous gamble."

"My father wasn't a betting man but he was a gambler," Forrest Church wrote. "When it came to things that mattered, he never shied away from a double-or-nothing bet. He invested the promise of today in his daring dreams for a better tomorrow."

Bethine Church also recalled the memorable day in Idaho City nearly 30 years later. She described it as a true grassroots campaign event and said many questioned the choice of a small mountain town for such a significant announcement.

"Few could understand why he would announce in a small, remote Idaho town somewhat out of reach of the klieg lights of the world of power," she wrote. "But this location fitted with Frank's belief in the political system being strongest when nearest to the people."

Although snow earlier that week had worried organizers, she remembered the announcement day itself as bright and clear.

"I clearly recall arriving in Idaho City: people filling the streets, our stop by Mayor John Brogan's house, and being amused by his stories of our new Secret Service men," she wrote. "The announcement itself, with all the emotion, cheer, tears, and red, white and blue colors."

Born July 25, 1924, Frank Forrester Church III was an Idaho attorney, World War II intelligence officer, and one of the state's most influential political figures. After graduating from Boise High School and earning a law degree from Stanford University, he returned to Idaho and was elected to the United States Senate in 1956 at age 32.

During his Senate career, Church became known for his leadership on foreign policy issues and his commitment to protecting public lands. In 1980, he was instrumental in the creation of the River of No Return Wilderness Area, encompassing more than 3,600 square miles and becoming the nation's largest wilderness area outside Alaska. Following his diagnosis with pancreatic cancer in 1984, the wilderness area was renamed the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness in his honor.

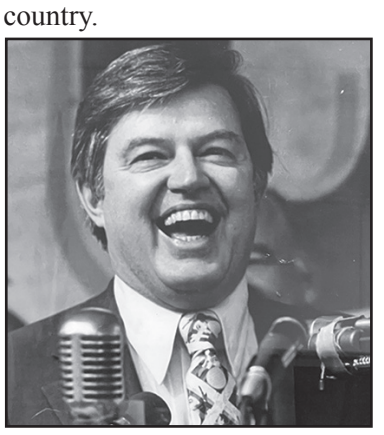
Church sought the Democratic nomination for president in 1976, winning primaries in Nebraska, Idaho, Oregon, and Montana before withdrawing from the race and supporting eventual nominee Jimmy Carter.

The impact of his Idaho City announcement was recognized immediately. In a March 26, 1976 press release to *The Idaho World*, state co-chairmen Roy and Sheila Truby of the Church for President Committee thanked Idaho City residents for helping make "Church Day" a success.

People involved with the campaign were impressed that a town the size of Idaho City could host such a large gathering without incident.

"All the people of Idaho City should be thanked for this special effort," Mrs. Truby said.

Fifty years later, members of the Idaho City Historical Foundation gathered to reflect on that historic moment, preserving the memory of a day when a hometown senator returned to his roots and launched a bid for the nation's highest office from the heart of Idaho's gold rush country.



Frank Church for President in 1976.



Dr. Stephanie Martin, Frank and Bethine Church Endowed Chair of Public Affairs and Associate Professor at Boise State University, addressed the group gathered for the annual ICHF featured program.

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Lowman Ladies Kick Off Bunco Season

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LOWMAN — The Lowman Ladies Bunco group kicked off their 2026-27 season on Friday, October 9, with an afternoon of games, laughter, and catching up with friends.

The group meets on the second Friday of each month from October through May. While several members were unable to attend due to the pleasant fall weather and busy schedules, attendance was strong enough to fill three active playing tables. Participants enjoyed lively conversation and a fun-filled afternoon as the new season got underway.

The season opener also welcomed two new members to the group, adding fresh faces to the longstanding tradition of monthly Bunco gatherings.

Members expressed their appreciation to the Lowman Inn for accommodating a last-minute venue change and providing lunch for the event.

The next Bunco gathering is scheduled for Friday, November 13, at the Sourdough Lodge. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., followed by Bunco play from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Anyone feeling lucky and looking for an enjoyable afternoon of friendship and fun is encouraged to attend.



Lowman Ladies Bunco group
Photo by Terry Riemenapp

Lowman Bridge Work

LOWMAN — Progress continues on the Southfork Bridge project. The reconstructed north side of the bridge has opened to single-lane traffic. Highway 21 between Southfork Lodge and Rock Creek Road is now open in both directions, and relocated stoplights have improved access to the lodge. Construction is now underway on the south side of the bridge, with hopes that favorable weather will allow additional progress before winter arrives.



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NOTICE OF DEATH

Sheila M. Bolton, 62, of Idaho City, passed away October 6, 2026. Arrangements are under the direction of Bowman Funeral Parlor, Garden City. www.bowmanfuneral.com 208-853-3131

CROSSWORD Puzzle : 38

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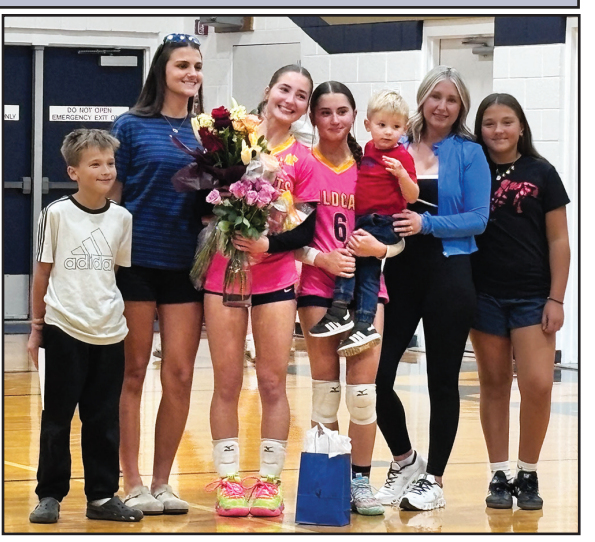
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Idaho City's Volleyball Seniors



#8 Abby Kindelberger



#5 Layla Kobenko



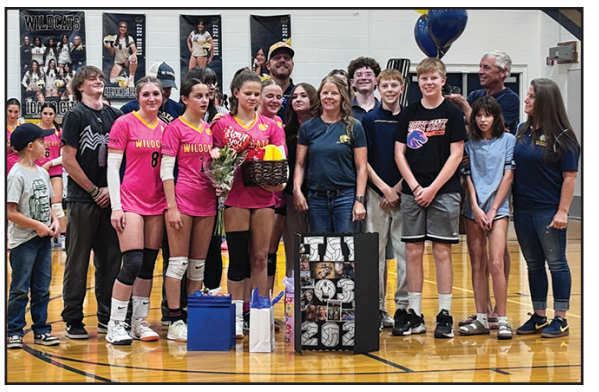
#12 Aliyah Stunja



#14 Reagan Nelson



#2 Hadley Higgins



#3 Taylor Vigeant

Photos by Patti Allen



Both Varsity and JV won all of their matches against the Notus Pirates on Oct 1st.

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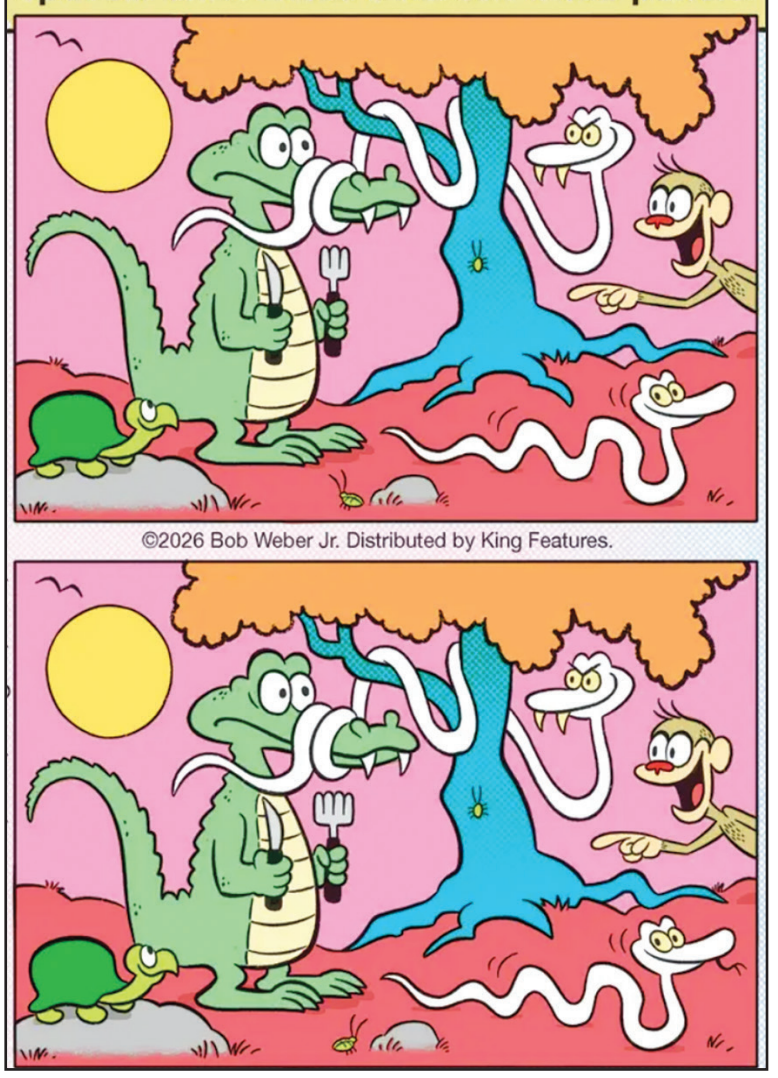
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Answer – Ground, fork, tongue, arm, root and insect.

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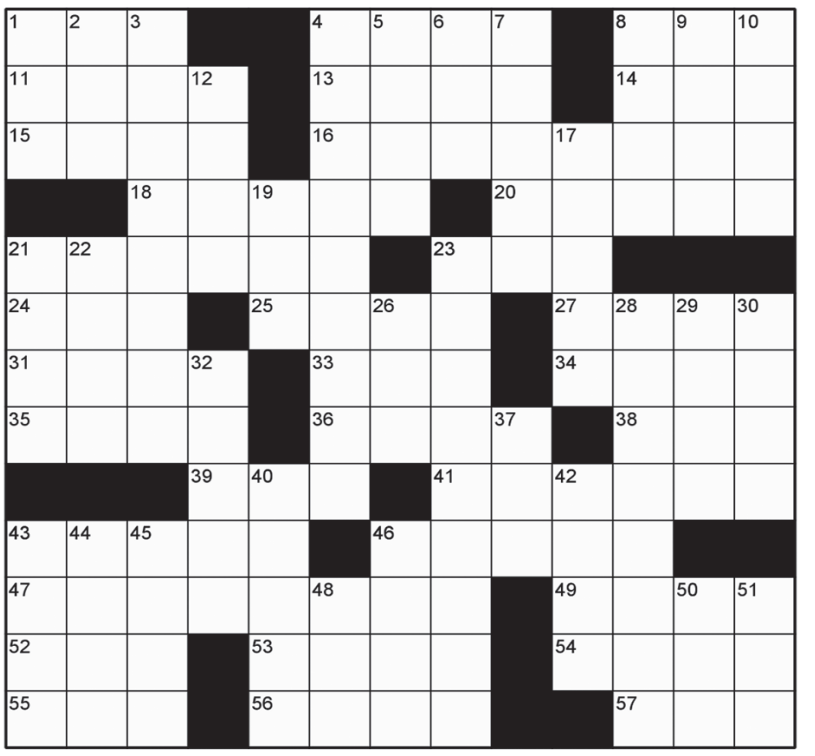
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CROSSWORD Puzzle : 38



ACROSS

1. Clumsy person
4. New Zealand parrot
8. Before
11. A bloke
13. Certainly
14. Insane
15. Greet
16. Festering
18. Sticky
20. Weird
21. Of a race
23. Land measure
24. State of drowsy contentment
25. Sprint
27. Scorch
31. 12th month of the Jewish calendar
33. Garland
34. Fleet rodent
35. Vend
36. Writing table
38. Born
39. To endure
41. NT RAAF base
43. Music, sign
46. Swiss song
47. Observer
49. Prefix, large
52. Enemy
53. Tubular pasta in short pieces
54. Unique thing
55. Grain beard
56. Heroic
57. Dry (wine)

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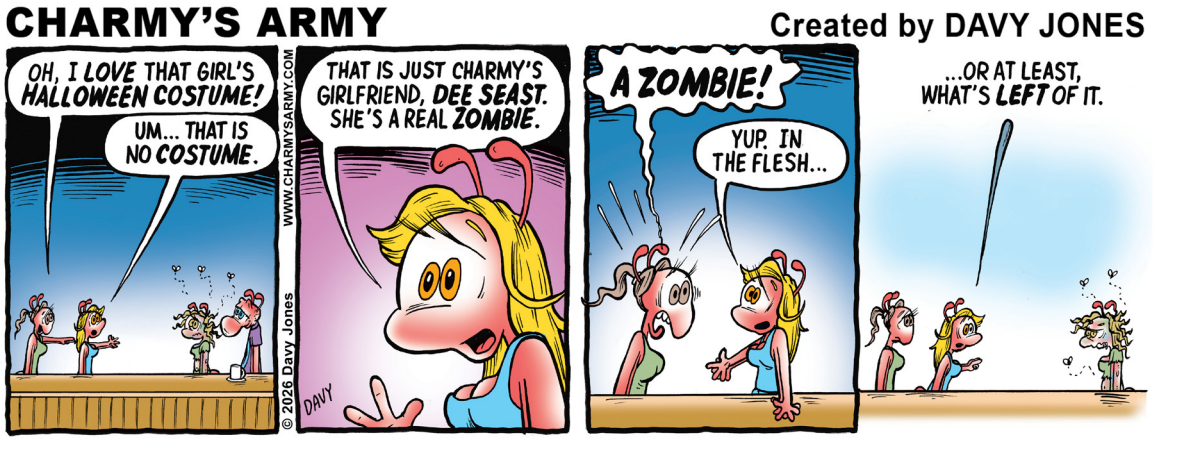
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2. Exclamation of surprise
3. Loyal
4. City on the Firth of Forth
5. Absent
6. Relation
7. Inquirer
8. Islamic chieftain
9. Indian queen
10. Brink
12. Scheme
17. Blood
19. Spanish hero
21. Supplements
22. Prefix, distant
23. Indifferent to tradition
26. Witness
28. Magnifying glass
29. Region
30. Spool
32. Grassy plain
37. Young goat
40. Alcoholic drink
42. Verne's submariner
43. Divan
44. Enough
45. Valley
46. Abominable snowman
48. Two-up bat
50. Horse command
51. Part of a circle

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BEEZWAX By John Martin



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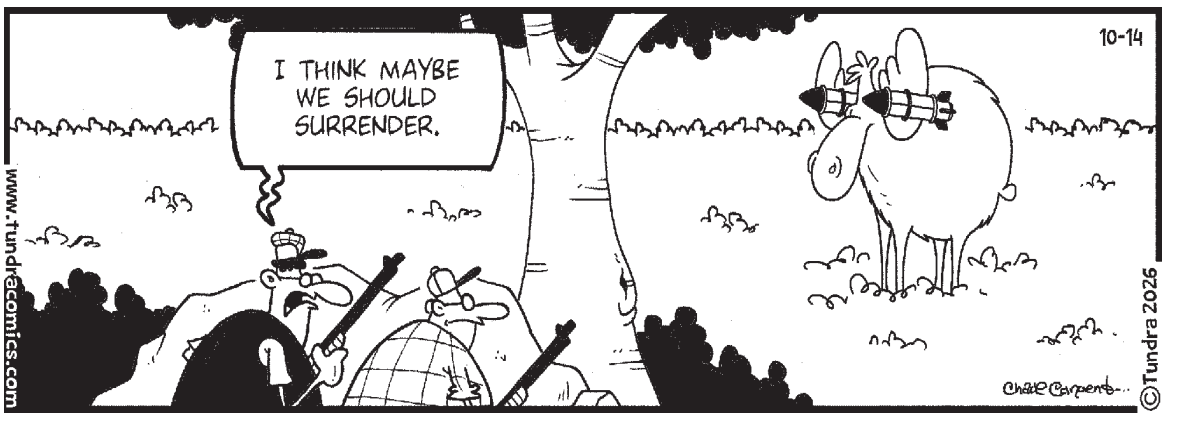


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Wolverines Honor Seniors, Finish Perfect Home Season with Win Over Wilder



#14 Dally Medford and family



#8 Quinn Good and family

Photos by Linda Ruppel, DDS

GARDEN VALLEY — On October 5, 2026, Garden Valley celebrated senior volleyball players #8 Quinn Good and #14 Dally Medford during their final regular season home game. Family, friends, teammates, and coaches recognized the two seniors in an emotional ceremony following the match. The players were showered with balloons, gifts, hugs, and posters highlighting memories from their childhoods and volleyball careers. Garden Valley players also showed sportsmanship by recognizing the Wilder seniors with gifts and hugs.

Earlier in the evening, the JV team turned in a dominant performance against Wilder, winning 25-13 and 25-7. The varsity squad then took the court and worked hard to preserve their undefeated record. Led by seniors Quinn Good and Dally Medford, along with strong teamwork throughout the lineup, the Wolverines earned a straight-set victory, 25-20, 25-13, 25-19.

Garden Valley entered district tournament play as the No. 1 seed in the WIC Conference. The Wolverines defeated Idaho City 3-2 on October 8 and later beat Notus at home on October 12, completing a perfect regular season and continuing their postseason run with momentum.



Senior #8 Quinn for the dig.



Senior #14 Dally sets the ball up.

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Lady Mustangs Earn No. 1 Seed, Advance in District Tournament

HORSESHOE BEND — The Horseshoe Bend Lady Mustangs have faced a challenging schedule throughout the 2026 season, particularly during the early weeks. Several hard-fought five-set matches tested the team both mentally and physically, providing valuable experience that has helped shape the squad into a stronger and more resilient group.

As postseason play begins, the team's hard work and perseverance have paid off. The Lady Mustangs earned the No. 1 seed in the district tournament and entered the playoffs with confidence and determination. While the road ahead will not be easy, the players understand what it takes to compete at a high level and are prepared for the challenge.

The Mustangs opened district tournament play on Monday, October 12, with a commanding 3-0 victory over Cascade on their home court. The win advances Horseshoe Bend to the next round of the tournament.

The Lady Mustangs will return to action on Thursday, October 15, at 6 p.m. at home as they continue their quest for a district championship. With momentum on their side and a season's worth of lessons behind them, the team is ready to battle for the opportunity to extend their postseason run.



Horseshoe Bend Volleyball Team 2026

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The salary for this position is $17.00 per hour. Work hours will be flexible; however, attendance at some meetings and events that take place in the evening will be required. Working offsite will be possible up to 50% of the time. A Life Flight membership will be provided to the person hired for this position.

A full description of the duties, responsibilities, and expectations of the position is posted on the WRFPD website (wrfpd.net). A job application can be downloaded from the site as well. Applications will be accepted until September 22.

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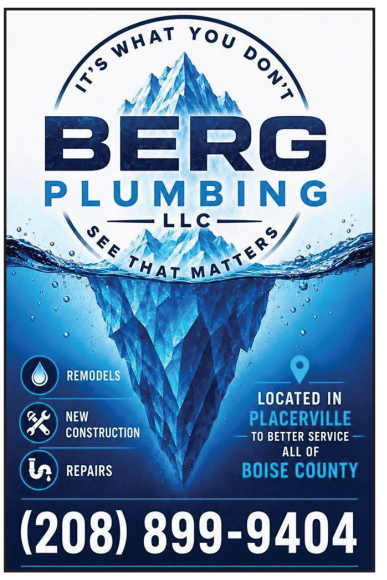
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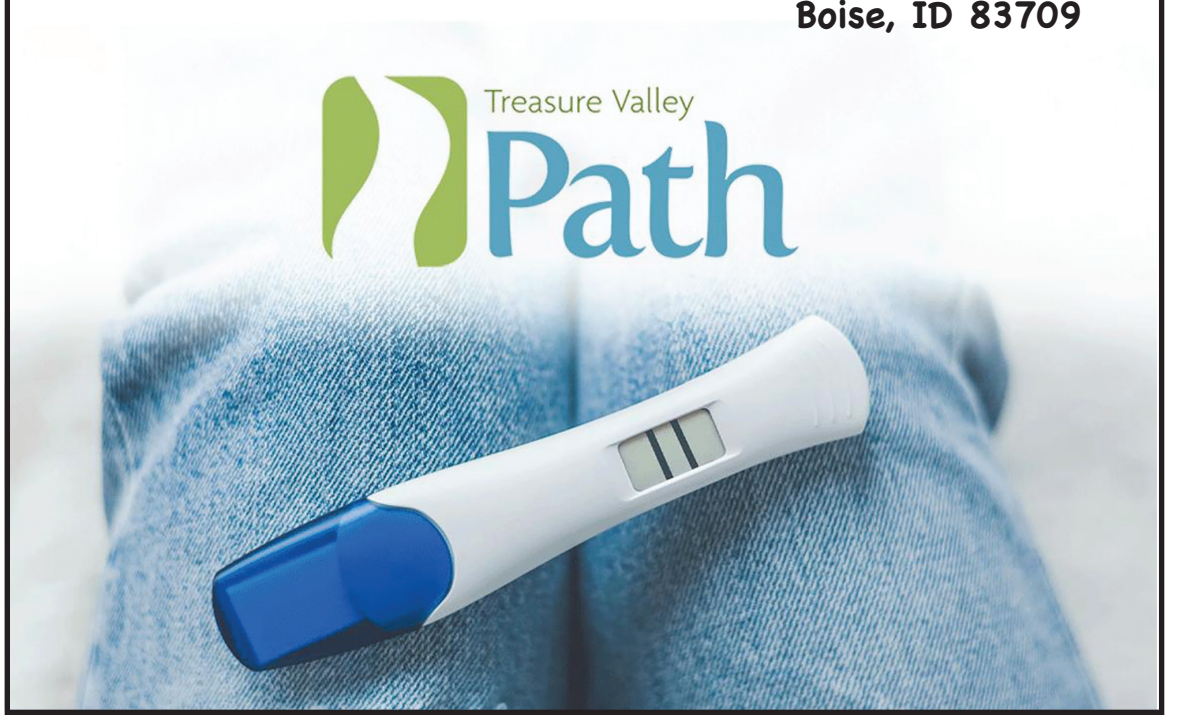
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0.09 CFS
Date Filed: 08-05-2026
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Water bearing zone to be appropriated is from 165 to 248 feet.

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://research.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/waterrights/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 11/2/2026. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
MATHEW WEAVER, Director

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BOISE COUNTY

Boise County Toys for Tots Opens Applications for 2026

BOISE COUNTY — Applications are now available for the 2026 Boise County Toys for Tots campaign, according to local coordinator Earl McCreary, who is working alongside the Marine Corps Reserve and Boise County VFW Post 142 to provide toys for children in need this holiday season.

Last year, the Boise County program provided toys for approximately 180 children. This year, organizers hope to increase that number and reach about 225 children throughout the county.

The local effort is part of the larger Treasure Valley Toys for Tots campaign. According to McCreary, Toys for Tots coordinators and the Marine Corps Reserve distributed approximately 144,000 toys to more than 22,000 children across the region last year.

McCreary is encouraging residents to help spread the word about the program. While information is being shared through local Facebook groups, he noted that personal conversations with friends, neighbors, and family members can help reach people who may not otherwise hear about the opportunity.

Anyone interested in applying for assistance is encouraged to contact McCreary directly through Facebook.



Applications are available now, and questions about the program can also be directed to him through social media.

Applications must be submitted by November 15, 2026. McCreary encourages families to request applications early to allow enough time to complete and return them before the deadline.

To request an application, message Earl McCreary on Facebook before November 15.



Motorcyclist Airlifted After Crash on Highway 55 Near Banks

BOISE COUNTY — A 78-year-old Peck man was injured Thursday afternoon after losing control of his motorcycle while traveling on State Highway 55 north of Banks.

According to the Idaho State Police, the crash occurred at approximately 2:45 p.m. on October 7 near mile marker 84.

Investigators reported that the rider was traveling southbound on a 2024 Honda Gold Wing motorcycle and was towing a homemade trailer carrying a second motorcycle when he lost control and crashed.

The rider sustained injuries and was transported by Air St. Luke's to a local hospital. Authorities said he was wearing a helmet at the time of the crash.

State Highway 55 was blocked for approximately two and a half hours while emergency crews responded and worked to clear the scene.

Idaho State Police was assisted by the Boise County Sheriff's Office, Cascade Fire Department, Horseshoe Bend Fire Department, Garden Valley EMS, and Air St. Luke's.

The crash remains under investigation by the Idaho State Police.



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LEGAL NOTICES

STATE TIMBER SALE
CR020012, LOWER JOHNSON
GNA TON

A **sealed bid** auction will be conducted at the Idaho Department of Lands office, 8355 W State Street, Boise, ID, at 10:00 AM local time, on Thursday, October 22, 2026 for an estimated 3,676 tons of timber, marked or otherwise designated for cutting. In addition, there is an unestimated volume of forest products that may be removed at the option of the purchaser. Prior to bidding, eligible bidders shall present a certified check or bank draft payable to Idaho Department of Lands, or a bid bond acceptable to the State, in the amount of $1,940.93 which is 10% of the appraised net sale value of $19,409.28. The average minimum bid price is $5.28 per TON. The successful bidder's deposit will be forfeited to the State should the bidder fail to complete the contract. The State will not accept bids from parties who are delinquent on payments on existing state contracts.

The sale is located within Sections 21, 27, and 28, Township 5N, Range 04E, B.M., Boise County, State of Idaho. Sale duration is 2 years. The sale may include blowdown and/or insect and disease-infected timber which may result in additional volume and recovery reductions. Interested purchasers should carefully examine the sale and make their own estimates as to volume recovery, surface conditions, and proposed construction prior to bidding on the sale. Additional information concerning the timber and conditions of sale is available to the public and interested bidders on the department's timber sale website at https://www.idl.idaho.gov/trust-land-management/endowment-timber-sales/ or from the Idaho Department of Lands office, Boise, Idaho. Please note purchaser insurance requirements posted on the timber sale website.

The Department of Lands, as authorized by the State Board of Land Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids provided that good and sufficient grounds for rejecting the bid shall be stated in the rejection notice and shall not be in violation of applicable law.

If you are disabled and need some form of accommodation, please call (208) 666-8646 five days prior to the date of sale. For text telephone services, please call 1-800-377-3529.

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STATE TIMBER SALE
CR020015, ALONELY GNA TON

A public oral auction will be conducted at the Idaho Department of Lands office, 8355 W. State Street, Boise, ID 83714, at 10:00 AM local time, on Thursday, October 29, 2026 for an estimated 8,908 tons of timber, marked or otherwise designated for cutting. In addition, there is an unestimated volume of forest products that may be removed at the option of the purchaser. Prior to bidding, eligible bidders shall present a certified check or bank draft payable to Idaho Department of Lands, or a bid bond acceptable to the State, in the amount of $9,870.06 which is 10% of the appraised net sale value of $98,700.64. The average minimum bid price is $11.08 per TON. The successful bidder's deposit will be forfeited to the State should the bidder fail to complete the contract. The State will not accept bids from parties who are delinquent on payments on existing state contracts. The sale is located within Section 3, Township 06N, Range 05E, B.M., Boise County, State of Idaho. Sale duration is 3 years. The sale may include blowdown and/or insect and disease-infected timber which may result in additional volume and recovery reductions. Interested purchasers should carefully examine the sale and make their own estimates as to volume recovery, surface conditions, and proposed construction prior to bidding on the sale. Additional information concerning the timber and conditions of sale is available to the public and interested bidders on the department's timber sale website at https://www.idl.idaho.gov/trust-land-management/endowment-timber-sales/ or from the Idaho Department of Lands office, Boise, Idaho. Please note purchaser insurance requirements posted on the timber sale website.

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NOTICE OF DIRECTOR ELECTION
UPDATED NAMPA POLLING LOCATION

Notice is hereby given of election for Director of the Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District, to be held on Tuesday, the 03 day of November 2026, at which election there will be elected one (1) Director for Precinct No. 1 of the District.

Such Director will be elected to serve a full three (3) year term excepting that, in accord with Title 43-201A of the Idaho Code "If, pursuant to section 43-201, Idaho Code, the secretary of the district verifies that there is only one (1) qualified candidate who has been nominated for the position of director to be filled, it shall not be necessary to hold an election for that position, and the board of directors shall declare such candidate elected as director at the next regularly scheduled board meeting following the expiration of the date for filing written nominations."

ELECTION PRECINCTS SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

PRECINCT NO. 1 (Boise/Perkins) shall consist of all that portion of the territory of the District lying East of the North and South line passing between Sections 4 and 5, Township 3 North, Range 1 East of the Boise Meridian, extending through said District.

PRECINCT NO. 2 (Meridian) shall consist of all that portion of the District lying between the North and South line passing between Sections 4 and 5, Township 3 North, Range 1 East of the Boise Meridian, extending through the District and the North and South line passing between Sections 4 and 5, Township 3 North, Range 1 West of the Boise Meridian, extending through the District.

PRECINCT NO. 3 (Nampa) shall consist of all that portion of the territory of the District lying West of the North and South line passing between Sections 4 and 5, Township 3 North, Range 1 West of the Boise Meridian, extending through the District.

VOTING PLACES FOR EACH PRECINCT SHALL BE:

Precinct No. 1:
HORIZON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
730 N Mitchell Street
Boise, ID 83704

Precinct No. 2:
MERIDIAN MIDDLE SCHOOL
1507 W. 8th Street
Meridian, ID 83642

Precinct No. 3: **UPDATE**
NAMPA & MERIDIAN IRRIGATION DISTRICT OFFICE
1503 First Street South
Nampa, ID 83651

The polls will be open on Tuesday, the 03 day of November 2026, at 8:00 a.m. and will close at 8:00 p.m. of the same day.

No advance registration will be necessary nor required, but as required by Title 43 of the Idaho Code, Section 113, as amended, "…the judges of election shall require every elector to subscribe to an elector's oath as a prerequisite to casting his vote, and such oath shall be the usual elector's oath with the following words added thereto, 'and I own land within the _____ irrigation district, and am a resident of the county within which the district, or a portion thereof is located'." This oath requires that each applicant for a ballot certify that he or she owns land within the boundaries of the Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District; that he or she is a resident of either Ada, Boise, Canyon, or Elmore County and that he or she possesses all the qualifications required of electors of the State of Idaho by the general election laws thereof.

In compliance with Title 43 Section 201 of the Idaho Code, as amended, nominations for the office of Director must be filed with the Secretary of the District not less than forty (40) days nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the election. "Candidates for election to the office of director of an irrigation district shall be nominated by nominating petitions on forms provided by the district".

This notice of election is made in compliance with and by authority stated in Title 43 Section 206 of the Idaho Code, as amended.

Lorri J. Gray, Secretary of the District
Nampa, Idaho

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Horseshoe Bend Students Chalk the Walk with Messages of Hope



Horseshoe Bend Middle/High School students kicked off their Sources of Strength Mental Health Hacks campaign by sharing messages of hope and encouragement through the Chalk It Up Challenge on October 8. ***Photo by Tracy Koslosky***

By Tracy Koslosky

HORSESHOE BEND -- Horseshoe Bend Middle and High School students took to the sidewalks on Thursday, October 8, as part of the school's Sources of Strength program, launching the first campaign of the school year: **Mental Health Hacks**. Students participated in the "Chalk It Up Challenge," an activity designed to spread encouragement, hope, and positivity throughout the school community. With guidance from Sources of Strength peer leaders, students explored inspiring quotes, discovered additional messages that resonated with them, and used sidewalk chalk to share words and images of hope.

The activity was inspired by Boise School District's 2026 Chalk the Walk Challenge and gave students an opportunity to turn positive messages into visible reminders that encouragement and connection matter.

Through activities like this, Sources of Strength helps students recognize the importance of building supportive connections and creating a school culture where everyone feels valued. The messages chalked onto the sidewalks serve as a reminder that even small acts of kindness and encouragement can make a difference.

Horseshoe Bend School is proud of its students and peer leaders for helping spread positivity throughout the Mustang community.

BOISE COUNTY

Boise County History

Dust, Danger, and Determination: The First Roads Into Boise Basin and Garden Valley

By Dawna Booth - Garden Valley Historical Society

Garden Valley's quiet pines and winding river roads hide a past defined by ingenuity and danger. Long before miners and freighters arrived, the region's earliest routes followed Native American trails used for generations. These footpaths traced ridgelines, crossed high saddles, and threaded dense timber. Efficient but unforgiving, they were narrow, steep, and exposed to sudden storms or rockfall.

One of the most important trails later became Packer John's Trail. In 1862, John C. Packer hauled flour over the rugged summit that now bears his name, following a corridor Native travelers had used long before him. His cabin near the pass became a landmark, and the rocky, steep, and hazardous trail served as a critical link between the Payette River drainage and the booming Boise Basin.

When gold discoveries electrified the West, thousands of miners and freighters poured into the region from every direction. They widened old trails and cut new ones, often with little more than grit and luck. Every mile carried risk: broken axles, balky horses, washed-out crossings, and the constant threat of running out of food or water. Yet they pressed forward, shaping settlement patterns that still define the valley.

Trails From the North, South, and West - The earliest influx came from the north, where miners leaving Florence crossed the brutal Salmon River country and descended into the Payette drainage. Here, early settlers Thomas, Pat and Mike Scanlon, and Harry Carter and Patrick Glennon first saw Garden Valley. Others arrived from the west, following the long-established Walla Walla and Umatilla route along the Payette River. The road climbed toward Horseshoe Bend before splitting: one branch followed Shafer Creek into Placerville, while earlier travelers continued up Jackass Gulch and Porter Creek. These rough trails were narrow and steep; a single misstep could send a pack animal tumbling into the rocks below.

By the summer of 1863, the Payette River Road had become one of Idaho's busiest and harshest corridors. Roadhouses sprang up almost overnight: Shafer's, Horseshoe Bend, Marsh, the Black House, Payette Ranch, Thompson's Ranch. Bread, bacon, and black coffee cost a dollar. Alkali dust choked travelers, water was scarce, and tempers ran short. A "twobit" drink was often the only relief from heat and exhaustion. Still, these stations kept men moving toward the goldfields and formed the valley's earliest service network.

As traffic surged, the Payette River corridor emerged as the primary approach to the Boise Basin. Despite punishing conditions, these primitive roads carried thousands into the Basin and anchored early commerce.

Goodale's Great Wagon Train and the Emmett Connection - One major route took shape in 1862 when Tim Goodale led more than 1,000 emigrants and 338 wagons across southwestern Idaho. It was one of the largest wagon trains ever to enter the territory. Goodale's column turned northwest from the Boise River plain, crossed the gulches near Eagle, and descended the steep ridge above Freezeout Hill into the Payette Valley. The descent was notorious. The train's size left deep ruts that quickly became a well-established road. Segments remain visible today.

Three historic roads eventually developed along this corridor: the western Bramwell road near Letha, the eastern Boise City–Payette/Marsh Road east of Freezeout Hill, and the central Goodale route.

As Boise Basin camps grew, travel surged. Emigrants and freighters from California through Boise followed the river north; from Oregon they followed the Columbia River, crossed the Snake River and into the Payette River drainage. These routes converged near present day Emmett, (formerly Martinsville, then Emmettsville) and Horseshoe Bend and on into the Basin towns.

Road Builders and Bridge Makers - With thousands moving through the region, early settlers began improving the primitive trails. Among the most influential was Asa Abbott, whose bridges and roads stabilized access into Garden Valley. Abbott's work transformed seasonal pack trails into dependable wagon routes, supporting ranching, freighting, and the first permanent homesteads.

In 1866, the *Idaho World* praised Abbott's newly completed road from Placerville to the Upper Payette Valley (now Garden Valley), noting its crossings at Thomas' and Ewing's bridges and his ambition to extend it to Round Valley, which did not happen. As territorial legislator, Abbott soon pushed for the road to become a toll route, with steep rates of $3.00 per wagon, 50 cents per extra span, 50 cents for a rider, 25 cents for loose stock, and 10 cents for sheep or hogs. By 1872, the county declared the Placerville–Upper Payette route (now Alder Creek Road) a public highway. Abbott and his men built a canal along this road to feed his farm in Garden Valley.

Railroads and a New Main Road into Garden Valley - The arrival of the railroad changed everything. When the Oregon Short Line reached Banks, and later Cascade, the need for a modern road into Garden Valley was undeniable. In 1914, residents began cutting a road along the South Fork of the Payette. According to longtime resident Judy Alley Brincken, the road paralleled the Southfork about fifty yards above the river, then dropped into Castle Creek Rd. behind what is now the Packer John subdivision. Narrow and prone to washouts, it nonetheless became the primary entrance into Garden Valley for freight, mail, and early automobile travel. Later, this dirt road was carved out and enhanced in the 1930s by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC).

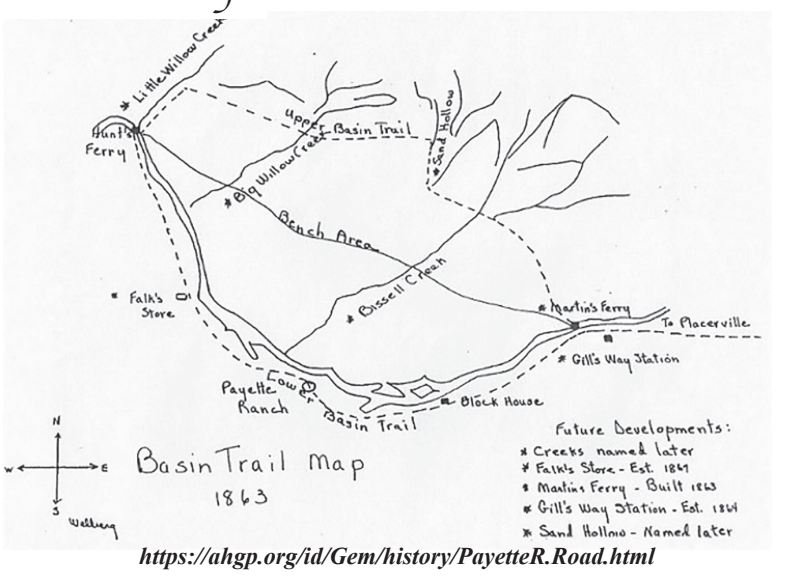
The modern, widened and paved project running next to the river which became the Banks-Lowman Road (Highway 17), began in 1989 and took five years to complete (finishing around 1994). This road bypassed Crouch and cut across Davey Raey's donated property and became the permanent artery into the valley. Davey's bridge, built as part of the project, still bears his name. The road supported the rise of logging, tourism, and year-round settlement, anchoring Garden Valley's transition into a permanent community.

A Landscape Written in Roads - Today, Goodale's ruts remain etched into the foothills near Eagle. The old Payette River Road can be traced in historic plats and faint depressions across ranchland. Shafer Creek, Jackass Gulch, Grimes Pass, and Packer John's summit still carry the names of the travelers who once crowded their trails. And Highway 17 continues to follow the South Fork of the Payette, just as freighters and stage drivers did more than a century ago. These routes, born of ingenuity, gold fever, grit, and necessity did more than move people. They shaped the geography of settlement, the rise of mining towns, and the identity of Garden Valley itself.

Sources: All Along the River by Nellie Mills pgs. 227-232

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"Early History of Idaho," by William John McConnell. Published 1913, Caxton Printers, Caldwell.



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Banks Lowman Hwy 17 in 1940 *(above)* **and present** *(below)***.**



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