

Friday 100722

The murder trial of Lori Vallow, the so-called “Doomsday Mom,” is now on hold due to questions about her mental state. In court documents released on Thursday, Idaho District Judge Steven W. Boyce suspended the case until Vallow’s competency can be determined, and her January 2023 trial has been vacated.

A jury trial slated to begin at the end of October for Jimmy Lee Murphy, a Raft River man accused of kill his wife with a shotgun has been reset next spring. The first-degree murder charge stems from the 2014 death of 26 year old Whitney Murphy and attempted first-degree murder for shooting a neighbor through his basement window the same day. The trial is set for April 4.

Idaho education leaders say school immunization opt-outs rose sharply. Idaho’s immunization rates have long been among the lowest in the nation. But when the opt-out rates surged over the past two years that means the immunization rates fell even further.

More imperiled Snake River sockeye salmon returned to central Idaho this year than in nearly a decade, but biologists are disappointed that few of them came from fish that spawned naturally in the wild. The Idaho Fish and Game said 736 adult sockeye salmon completed the 900-mile trip from the Pacific Ocean to the Stanley Basin. Only 46 came from adult fish that spawned naturally in Redfish Lake.

It’s the annual Oktoberfest Festival Friday and Saturday in Downtown Twin Falls. The admission to the event is free.

The College of Southern Idaho has been selected to receive a federal grant of more than \$700,000 to help low-income parents attend college. The U.S. Department of Education’s Child Care Access Means Parents in School program expects to provide CSI with just over \$175,000 per year over the four years of the program.

Martin Munoz was honored by the Jerome city council this week after he saved two people from a burning car on west main in August. He received the citizen's award after pulling the driver and passenger out whose clothing skin and hair was singed. Both were treated at the local hospital.

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A portion of Hankens road near the Twin Falls Sugar factory is closed this morning after a train derailment yesterday. About 12 railcars came off the track. No timeline has been announced when the road will re-open.

Heritage academy in Jerome is one of the finalists to be named winner of a million dollars from a program that serves often overlooked areas of the country. So far the school has won a 100-thousand and is one of the 64 quarterfinalists for the 2022 YASS prize.

Pressurized Irrigation Shutoff and Winterization is today in Twin Falls. Subdivisions connected to Pressurized Irrigation will not receive irrigation water until next season typically in late-April. For more than 15 years, the city has required all new subdivisions within the city limits to be irrigated with pressurized irrigation dropping the demand on the city's potable water.

Many Idaho high schools and colleges are receiving a portion of 8-million dollars in grants as part of the governor's leading Idaho initiative. They will benefit many programs that will help in training. The grants are on top of the \$80 million the Governor and Legislature approved during the Sept. 1 session.

A large prehistoric fish has found a new home at the MK Nature Center in Boise. Idaho Fish and Game says a seven-foot sturgeon that is decades old has been relocated to the nature center from Hagerman National Fish Hatchery.

A nuclear waste treatment plant in eastern Idaho designed to treat 900,000 gallons of sodium-bearing, radioactive waste that has had numerous setbacks will likely start operating in early December. Connie Flohr, manager of the Idaho Cleanup Idaho officials were told that the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit at the

department's 890-square-mile site that includes the Idaho National Laboratory has successfully completed test runs with a simulant material.

Today is the last day for Idahoans to pre-register to vote ahead of the Nov. 8 general election. Voters may pre-register at their local county clerk's office or online at www.voteidaho.gov. The deadline to pre-register at the county clerk's office is 5 p.m. while the deadline to register online is 11:59 p.m.

Dane Partridge from Rexburg was killed while fighting in Ukraine as a volunteer, according to a Facebook page shared by his sister. The U.S. State Department spokesperson confirmed the death. Partridge, who had been fighting in Ukraine since April, was recently injured and placed on life support. According to the Facebook page in his honor, he passed away Tuesday while on life support at a military hospital in Kyiv.

Friday 102122

Idaho's top federal prosecutor has created a task force to combat fraud related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The task force will identify, investigate and prosecute fraud cases involving the abuse of programs that were created to help people and small businesses weather the COVID 19 pandemic since 2020. The task force is seeking tips from the public. Make a report to the COVID-19 Pandemic Fraud Hotline at 208-334-1211.

Yesterday the Jerome Sheriff's office released more information from an officer involved shooting that killed a man in Twin Falls in August. Authorities say 24 year old Caleb Tussey died following a pursuit from Buhl to Twin Falls and then to a field near Filer. The driver Sydney Gibson is scheduled for arraignment in District court on October 31st charged with one count of felony eluding.

Police encountered an "ongoing shooting spree" when they arrived at the Boise Towne Square mall last October, the Twin Falls prosecutor said in a report this month, and a Boise Police Department officer's attempt to use deadly force against the assailant was justified. Reports show Jacob Bergquist walked

through the mall for 24 minutes before eventually opening fire, killing two people and injuring several others. He walked away from an encounter with security guard Jo Acker but quickly turned around and shot Acker.

U.S. Senator Mike Crapo will be in the Magic Valley today to participate in two events. The first at 10 am at the Bullets and Brew coffee Shop in Hagerman. He will answer questions and receive input on Federal issues. Crapo will then join Twin Falls County commissioners and other Magic Valley residents at 1 p.m. at the Snake River Canyon Cemetery in Buhl to honor the sacrifices of three Idaho veterans and one spouse.

Idaho Fish and Game is seeking information about an elk being left to waste in a dumpster in the town of St. Maries. The elk was left in the dumpsters on the St. Maries River Road on Oct. 19 just before 3 p.m. The elk was skinned, and the head and two front quarters were removed.

Friday 102822

A 64 year old man who was charged with the rape and murder of 9 year old Daralyn Johnson has pleaded not guilty. Nearly 40 years later in 2020, DNA evidence linked David Darlymple to the crimes. Yesterday he appeared in a Canyon County courtroom. His trial is set to begin March 13th and expected to last four weeks.

A bipartisan group of state attorneys general has said Albertsons Companies should pause its planned dividend payment next month. As part of its merger with Kroger, the company said it would pay a nearly \$4 billion dividend to shareholders. The payment is set for next month while the Kroger acquisition, should it close, and isn't expected until 2024.

Mountain Home Police Chief Scott Conner has been terminated. Mayor Rich Sykes said in a statement, "effective October 26 with

the unanimous consent of the City Council the chief was unappointed. No reason was given.

All three deputy coroners in Bingham County have submitted letters of resignation. Those resignations, which take effect Nov. 10, came in response to a misdemeanor charge of sexual battery filed against interim coroner Jimmy Roberts on Oct. 17.

Two Idaho school districts will receive more than \$5 million in total grant funding for electric buses as part of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Bus Program. Genesee School District requested funding for three buses, totaling \$1.185 million, and McCall-Donnelly Joint School District requested funding for 10 buses, totaling \$3.95 million.

Today is the final day for registered voters to request an absentee ballot ahead of Idaho's Nov. 8 general election. Registered voters may visit www.voteidaho.gov, or their county clerk's office to request an absentee ballot by 5 p.m. All absentee ballots must be received by their local county clerk's office no later than when the polls close at 8 p.m. on Nov. 8.

Buhl firefighter Jared Nebeker is being released from the hospital today. He was seriously injured August 16th in a motorcycle crash. He has been at the University of Utah ever since.

Friday 110422

A significant winter storm is expected to impact the region beginning early this morning, with conditions lingering into late Saturday. Snow levels will initially be at valley floors, but will rise above 6500 feet by late today. Transportation corridors will be impacted with very difficult travel, especially in the mountains. Confidence is high in this event, and significant impacts are likely. Stay tuned for further updates.

988 is the new universal number to call when you are having a mental health crisis or emergency. Health and welfare is saying Idaho Crisis and Suicide Hotline has seen a 39 percent increase in

call volume since the launch of 988 earlier this year and compared to the same time frame in 2021.

While most statewide and legislative races haven't changed much in terms of fundraising since early September, the ads and materials funded by political action committees has increased. According to the Idaho Secretary of State's Sunshine database, 169 political action committees across Idaho have raised \$3.6 million since the primary election on May 17 and have spent more than \$2.37 million in the months since.

This fall, as family road trips for the holidays increase, motorists are being warned to be on the lookout. According to the Idaho Transportation Department, about 275 single-car crashes last year were the result of striking a wild animal, and another 275 involved a collision with road debris. About 460 multi-vehicle crashes involved falling or shifting cargo.

Idaho is less than a week away from the General Election and voters continue to either early vote in person or drop off their absentee ballots. According to county officials, interest and requests for absentee ballots have increased ahead of the November 8th election. Early voting and in-person absentee voting for Idaho's general election ends at 5 p.m. today. Every Idaho county offers either early voting, which allows a voter to vote in-person at an early voting location, or in-person absentee voting, which allows a voter to complete an absentee ballot at the county clerk's office.

More good news for Idaho. The governor's office released the news that for the second year in a row, Fitch affirmed the AAA credit rating for Idaho the highest a state can get. Idaho ranked #1 in the nation in five different ag commodity categories: potatoes, barley, alfalfa hay, peppermint oil and food trout.

Friday 111122

What initially appeared to be a Democratic win in the Idaho House has turned into a Republican victory after a glitch in reporting early voting was corrected in south-central Idaho, a state election

official said Thursday. Chief Deputy Secretary of State Chad Houck said the House seat representing Jerome, Blaine and Lincoln counties went to Republican Jack Nelsen, not Democrat Karma Metzler Fitzgerald, after more than 700 votes were added to the count on the state website.

People who were convicted of having oral or anal sex under an antiquated Idaho law will be allowed to be removed from the state's sex offender list, according to a settlement Idaho has reached to resolve a two-year-old lawsuit. The Idaho State Police will also pay the legal fees of the men who sued over the law.

Idaho legislative leaders are bracing for challenges that come with record turnover, as 39 first-time state legislators will take their seats when the 2023 session gavel in Jan. 9 at the Idaho State Capitol. There will be 11 first-time members in the Idaho Senate and 28 rookies in the Idaho House of Representatives.

The Idaho Secretary of State's office updated vote counts from Teton County, after the county discovered one ballot box had not been processed. But the vote total did not change the outcomes of any state races. The difference was 402 votes. The elections staff notified the Idaho Secretary of State's office that one of the ballot boxes still had its original seal and had not been processed.

It's been two years of construction, but the Main Avenue Lofts in Twin Falls are officially open. The building is on the corner of Hansen and Main.

November signals the start of the new water year. This year is a 'La Nina' pattern, meaning pacific waters off the coast of South America are cooler than normal. This pattern typically brings wetter than normal weather to much of the Pacific Northwest during the winter.

Initial enrollment numbers are in for K-12 schools across the state, showing that Idaho's school-aged population has increased by just 0.3%, or about 1,000 students. That's comparatively low; for years, Idaho's annual enrollment growth hovered around 1.3%, until it dropped by 1.6% at the pandemic's height in the 2020-2021 school year. That was the state's first enrollment drop in 30 years. Charter schools boast 700 new students due in part to four new schools this year. Still, nearly half of all existing charters show declines.

Four companies that developed solar energy facilities in Alabama, Idaho and Illinois have agreed to pay a total of \$1.3 million for violating construction permits and rules for handling groundwater. The government alleged companies failed to take steps to control runoff water. One of the cases involved American Falls Solar LLC, which owned a site near American Falls.

CSI is recognizing former Board member LeRoy Craig by naming the college's new location in Jerome in his honor. The 20,000 square foot facility, which is to be constructed on the corner of Third and Lincoln in Jerome, will significantly expand CSI's presence and will officially be known as the LeRoy Craig Jerome Center.

A Blaine County man is behind bars after Blaine deputies charged him with illegally using a debit card at 17 businesses. 42 year old Carl Rudy Geissler, of Hailey, allegedly charged over 5-thousand dollars. He is facing Grand Theft, Possession of a financial card and possession of a controlled substance.

Autopsies performed on four University of Idaho students who were found dead inside a rental house near campus showed that all four were stabbed to death, according to the Latah County coroner. Police continue to search for those responsible. Students are going home early out of fear. Some parking lots of fraternities and sororities are nearly empty. Many classes are cancelled.

No trial split. The judge in the Lori Vallow and Chad Daybell murder case said the couple's trial will be heard at the same time and same courtroom. Prosecutors are seeking the death sentence.

Friday 120222

Investigators in the case of the missing 4 year old Michael Vaughan from Fruitland released more information. Authorities say they strongly believe the boy was abducted and is now deceased. His remains were buried then later removed from property near where he was living. Police have named four people they believe have information. Sarah Wondra and her husband Stacey, the residents of the home where police executed a search warrant. Both are currently in custody. Brandon Shurtliff of Kuna and Adrian Lucienne of Toledo, Ohio, were staying with the Wondras at the time of the disappearance and may have information.

The two month old boy who authorities say had head trauma when they arrived at a Twin Falls apartment on November 25th has died. 18 year old Logan Daniel Penner of Twin Falls has been charged with aggravated Battery in connection with the incident.

A federal court has have ordered an Oakley stone quarry to pay \$983,725 in back wages and liquidated damages after Department of Labor investigators found that the employer violated multiple federal labor laws, which denied 60 workers their rightfully earned wages. Northern Stone Supply's violations occurred when the employer paid workers piece rates instead of the proper hourly wage, failed to pay the time and a half overtime, and did not record hours worked.

As hundreds of students mourned together inside the University of Idaho's stadium, family members of four slain classmates urged them to raise their eyes from grief and focus on love and the future. The four were stabbed to death at a rental home near campus in Moscow. Law enforcement has yet to name a person of interest in the case. Fears that the killer could strike again has

prompted many students to finish the semester by taking online classes.

Rep. Mike Moyle of Star, was elected speaker of the Idaho House of Representatives. Moyle will take over the top spot in House leadership that had been held by Lt. Gov.-elect Scott Bedke, of Oakley, for the past 10 years.

The Idaho Transportation Department has closed the highway from Idaho City to Lowman. The ITD said that they are anticipating heavy snow fall in the area and are closing it for safety. The highway will reopen when conditions are suitable and safe for driving.

Friday 120922

An overnight snowstorm has blanketed much of Southern Idaho leaving roads slick this morning. With temperatures staying at or above freezing this morning, much of the precipitation is from snow to rain as it touches the ground. Winter storm watches and warning have been issued throughout the higher elevations that extends through tomorrow evening.

A 51-year-old Nampa man and teacher at Kuna Middle School was arrested yesterday morning for lewd conduct with a minor. The Ada County Sheriff's Office said Cory R. Gaylor was charged with felony counts of lewd conduct as well as enticing a child through the internet.

Another new trial date is set for Chad Daybell and Lori Vallow, the eastern Idaho couple charged with multiple counts of murder and conspiracy in the deaths of Vallow's children and Chad Daybell's late wife, Tammy. The couple appeared in court together for the first time in months yesterday, for a hearing to determine a new trial date, which is now set for April 3, 2023.

Yesterday Moscow Police issued another news release regarding the murder of four college students. The tip line has been filled

with calls with people asking about and responding to recent information about a white 2011-2013 Hyundai Elantra. Because of this, police are now routing the call tips and leads line to an FBI call center. Police say that they are still looking to talk with the person or people that were in the car where the murders took place.

Police have made contact with two people wanted for questioning in the search for missing Fruitland boy Michael Vaughan. Brandon Shurtliff of Kuna, and Adrien Lucienne of Toledo, Ohio, were reportedly at one time staying at the house where police searched for Michael's remains last month.

The University of Idaho will pay \$90,000 to settle a lawsuit from members of a Christian law students' organization who claimed their freedom of speech was violated when the school's civil rights investigation office issued no-contact orders against them. The settlement resolves a case brought by three students belonging to the Christian Legal Society and the law school professor who said the school illegally punished them for expressing their religious beliefs.

Friday 121622

Idaho School districts and charters are paying \$97.4 million per year on classified employee wages and benefits to make up for a gap in state funding, according to a report released by the Office of Performance Evaluations. The report went on to say, local education agencies pay the nearly \$100 million out of discretionary funds.

This year, Idaho taxpayers will shell out more than ever to support local education via bonds and levies. The total will ring up at \$596.1 million - breaking last year's record of \$587.7 million. Supplemental levies will make up about \$217.4 million of that total, a drop from the previous year's \$218.2 million and the first decrease since 2014.

The Twin Falls county commissioners have given their support for the city's revenue agreement with Skywest Airlines and the Magic Valley Regional Airport. The new agreement includes a single flight to and from Salt Lake, the agreement will cover any costs not covered by the daily operations of Skywest.

Even with revenue collections coming in below forecasts, Idaho is projected to end the 2023 fiscal year with a \$1.54 billion budget surplus, according to the last budget and revenue update before the new legislative session starts in January. Governor Little will issue a new revenue forecast and budget proposals when the legislative session begins Jan. 9.

Moscow authorities continue to search for the owner of a car that may be linked to last month's murders. A white Hyundai Elantra model year 2011 to 2013, was spotted near a home where four University of Idaho students died.

A 24 year old Nampa man was killed yesterday morning while traveling east on I-84 west of Mountain Home. Police say the man lost control causing the vehicle to roll. Traffic was backed up for about 2 hours.

Season 43 of the TV show survivor concluded this week and the winner is a 52 year old Meridian man. Mike Gabler works in an operating room at Edwards Lifesciences as a heart valve expert, a career he has had for nearly 20 years.

Friday 122322

The Idaho Lottery is looking for the lucky winner who won \$1 million off of a Mega Millions ticket last month. The ticket was sold in Ada County and the winning numbers, which were drawn on Tuesday, November 15, were 6, 19, 28, 46, 61, and the MegaBall was 18. So far, no one has come forward! The winner has until May 12, 2023, to claim their jackpot. Each year,

anywhere from \$3.3 million to \$4.8 million in Idaho Lottery jackpots go unclaimed.

There is no suspect announced, but there's a reason Moscow Police Chief James Fry believes a quadruple homicide in Moscow will be solved and those reasons lie mostly with investigators trying to refrain from compromising the case. Fry is confident they will find whoever murdered the four U of I students.

As Boise-based Micron Technology makes plans to expand manufacturing at its Idaho headquarters and elsewhere in the U.S. over the next several years, the company plans to reduce its workforce in the more immediate future. Micron announced a restructure plan, saying the company expects to reduce its "headcount by approximately 10% in 2023.

Idaho's two U.S. senators said no to the latest spending bill. Mike Crapo and Jim Risch voted against the \$1.7 trillion spending bill that finances federal agencies through September and provides another large round of aid to Ukraine. It goes to the U.S. House for a final vote after passing in the Senate by a vote of 68-29.

Boise State University is following along with the executive order issued by Governor Brad Little, banning TikTok from all state-owned devices and networks. This order, which is similar to several state and federal agencies, is in response to a growing fear from the intelligence community that TikTok poses a threat of data theft from the Chinese government.

A propane explosion blew apart a south Pocatello home yesterday afternoon but the couple who lived there all survived. Officials said it was a miracle that the husband suffered only minor injuries.

Friday 123022

This morning weather forecasters are sending out warnings. A winter storm warning extends through tomorrow morning where

up to 15 inches of new snow could fall in the south hills and Albion Mountains. There is also a winter weather advisory for parts of Raft River, Bear Lake, Oneida, Marsh and Arbon Highlands where another foot of snow is expected.

Officers in Post Falls shot and killed a motorist who was ramming vehicles and a patrol car on Interstate 90 yesterday morning. The man allegedly rammed a patrol car to escape being stopped and police starting chasing him. Westbound I-90 lanes were closed for several hours while detectives investigated the scene.

Cleanup work on the rental home where four University of Idaho students were stabbed to death in November will start today. The residence will remain an active crime scene under police control. Remediation include removing potential biohazards and other harmful substances used to collect evidence. In the weeks since the Nov. 13 homicides relatively few details have been released.

Prosecutors in Twin Falls say they won't seek the death penalty following the November death of a 2 month old baby. 19 year old Logan Danial Penner is charged with 1st degree murder in the death of Peyton Rice who was his girlfriend's child.

Con Paulos Chevrolet in Jerome wrapped up a yearlong celebration of 100 years of being in the automobile business yesterday. Called 100 acts of kindness, the dealership handed out thousands of dollars throughout the year. Yesterday they gave away two brand new vehicles.

A big celebration of the New Year is only hours away. In Twin Falls, the Ball will drop at the Grain Silo's on 5th Avenue. It's the 20th year for the event.

The Cassia County School District is making it easier to get assistance, with Blessing Boxes. Located in front of every school

in Cassia County, the Boxes are for people who are in need. You also can stop off anytime to donate non-perishable items.

Monday 100322

A 68 year old Shoshone woman died in a two vehicle accident yesterday morning at 200 East and U.S. Highway 93 in Jerome County. Police say the accident happened just after 9:30 am when a southbound car pulled onto highway 93 and was struck by another car driven by a female from Kimberly.

White House Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre issued a statement calling Idaho's abortion laws "extreme and backwards" in response to a memo issued by the University of Idaho cautioning employees not to provide reproductive health counseling to students or risk losing their jobs or face criminal prosecution.

There is a new judge in Elmore County. Idaho Governor Brad Little has appointed Theodore Fleming to be the county's district Judge. Fleming has been a lawyer in Idaho for nearly 20 years.

Authorities in Elmore County are asking the public to stay away from the Big Trinity Lake campground as they search for a missing person. The Elmore County Sheriff's Office says an individual disappeared in the area of Big Trinity Lake and the surrounding campgrounds.

A suction-dredge gold miner from California who operated in an Idaho river containing federally protected salmon and steelhead

without permits has been fined. Shannon Poe was ordered to pay \$150,000 following violations over three years of gold dredging on the South Fork of the Clearwater River.

The Idaho Legislature's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee will begin three days of training and meetings today in Twin Falls. Although the Idaho Legislature is not in session now, JFAC's fall meetings held outside of the Idaho State Capitol in Boise have become a tradition and one of the warmups for a new legislative session that starts in January.

Idaho State Police Sergeant Michael Wendler who has been recovering in Idaho Falls since he was struck by a vehicle on September 8th. Saturday he returned to his home in Twin Falls.. Members of the Magic Valley community lined the Perrine Bridge with signs and American flags to salute Sergeant Wendler as he crossed over into Twin Falls.

Monday 101022

A 54 year old Burley man died Saturday night after the vehicle he was driving went off the road. He overcorrected and rolled. The accident happened around 7:24 pm on I-86 milepost 7 in Cassia County. He died at the scene.

An 18 year old female who is charged with eluding police in August was in court last week. Police say Sydney Rain Gibson drove at speeds over 120 miles an hour around Buhl and Twin Falls. The pursuit began on a report that a man in the car had pointed a gun at someone in Filer. When police approached the vehicle, gunfire was exchanged and the passenger had been killed.

The Salt Lake Express is expanding its service into the western region. Salt Lake Express is announcing the acquisition of

Northwestern Stage Lines, a transportation company based in Spokane, Washington, and Boise-Winnemucca Stages in Boise.

Deer hunting season is scheduled to officially get underway in southern Idaho today.

The Bureau of Land Management Idaho Resource Advisory Council will meet to discuss a variety of public land management topics from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday at the BLM Twin Falls District Office. Agenda items will include updates and the Lava Ridge Wind Project.

The campgrounds surrounding Trinity Lake in Elmore County are back open after authorities found the body of a missing man. The Elmore County Sheriff's Office isn't naming the victim but says he first went missing September 24 after failing to return from a short kayaking trip.

Twin Falls City Manager Travis Rothweiler will recommend to the Twin Falls City Council the appointment of Shawn Barigar to the position of Economic Development Director. Rothweiler will recommend Barigar during the City Council meeting tonight, and if approved by council, Barigar will begin tomorrow.

Longtime Teton Superintendent Monte Woolstenhulme will step down at the end of this school year. In August, Teton administrators received 5% pay raises without approval from the board. School board member Kathleen Haar publicly criticized the raises, calling them "excessive." The board later censured her for the comments.

Monday 101722

A Boise man narrowly dodged prison and must pay a fine for illegal voting and illegal voter registration, 70-year-old Charles Skiles was on felony probation and was prohibited from voting or registering to vote per Idaho law. On four occasions prior to the 2020 election, Skiles illegally registered to vote but all of the

registrations were discovered and removed. He was convicted in August 2022 and sentenced this week to a three-year prison term, which was suspended for three years' probation. He will also have to pay a \$1,500 fine.

Boise-based Albertsons say they plan to merge with Cincinnati-based Kroger. Kroger has more than 2,700 supermarket locations across the nation and is the number three seller of groceries, ranked by revenue. Its brands include Fred Meyer, Smith's, QFC, Ralphs, and others. With more than 5,200 combined stores, the two companies would rival Walmart in size.

No charges or fines will be levied against the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee over its participation with a publication called The People's Pen after an investigation by the offices of the secretary of state and the attorney general. Secretary of State Lawrence Denney sent a letter to Sandra Patano saying the office was closing the investigation. Patano, a co-founder of North Idaho Republicans, filed the complaint alleging the publication is an electioneering piece that should be reported as such.

Idaho State Police is investigating a two-vehicle fatal crash that occurred at 6:55 p.m., on Saturday on SH25 eastbound on SH25. A 60-year-old male from Rupert was directly behind on a Harley Davidson motorcycle. The car stopped to turn left. The driver of the motorcycle attempted to pass and hit the driver's side of the vehicle. The driver of the motorcycle died at the scene. He was not wearing a helmet.

Open Enrollment for health insurance in Idaho is on. Idahoans can enroll in 2023 medical coverage through Your Health Idaho, the state's health insurance exchange through December 15th. Idahoans will be able to apply for a tax credit and health insurance on the same application and find out if they qualify within minutes.

Monday 102422

The Burley Straw Maze re-opened Saturday after a fire broke out Friday evening. About 25 firefighters battled the blaze that was centered around the large stack of straw with the large slide. No injuries were reported. What started the fire was not announced.

Overall enrollment rates at Boise State University, University of Idaho, Lewis-Clark State College and Idaho State University increased. Boise State University the number of first-time resident undergraduates increased by 20% over last fall, which is about 314 students. Overall, total enrollment increased by about 1%.

Idaho Fish and Game officials are asking the public for help with a particularly unusual find a 3 and a half alligator that was discovered hiding in the brush of a rural neighborhood of New Plymouth about 40 miles northwest of Boise. Officials are hoping members of the public will call the department if they have any information about the alligator's origins.

Friday, three unclaimed Vietnam veterans and the spouse of a Korean War vet were laid to rest at the Snake River Canyon National Cemetery. With all unclaimed veterans in Twin Falls now laid to rest Coleen Florke, State Coordinator of the Missing in America Project said she plans to continue her mission county by county.

Idaho's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate edged up from 2.7% in August to 2.8% in September the eighth consecutive month the state rate has been below 3%. Total employment grew by 1,714 to 932,813.

Three suspects were arrested and charged Friday afternoon, in connection to a shooting that killed one man Wednesday night in Boise. Police responded to the hospital where the victim was dropped off and later died from the gunshot wound. 26 year old

Zackary Gordan of Boise was arrested on a second-degree murder. 30 year old Brianna Lopez and 36 year old Mindy Kraus were arrested on felony accessory charges for willfully withholding, concealing or harboring a felon. Police believe the suspect, got into a verbal argument with the adult victim Wednesday.

Monday 103122

The Idaho Supreme Court says it will not reconsider the clemency case of Gerald Ross Pizzuto Jr a terminally ill man who is facing execution for his role in the 1985 slayings of two gold prospectors near McCall. Once issued, a warrant would set Pizzuto's execution by lethal injection in the next 30 days.

The Idaho Secretary of State is launching a new website aimed at pointing out election misinformation. According to the secretary of state, if a post is determined to be disenfranchising voters, the report will be passed on to the Department of Homeland Security for further action.

A Nampa man was killed Friday night, after he was shot by another man. Nampa dispatch received two 911 calls around 10:45 p.m. One call came from a witness that heard the shots, and the other came from the man who was the shooter.

Judge Steven Boyce vacated the January trial of Chad Daybell late Friday. The trial was set to happen in Boise next year. Chad Daybell and Lori Vallow are set to have a conjoined trial. Vallow's case has been paused while her mental competency can be determined. Daybell's attorney has filed another motion to separate their trial. A date for a new trial has not been set.

Debate over the Idaho Falls School District's quarter-billion-dollar bond issue is heating up, with the district raising the prospect of revised class schedules if the measure fails. Bond opposition group D91 Taxpayers called a recent email despicable. The email

raised the prospect of split sessions or year-round school if the bond fails.

Lawmakers reconvened to continue the job of trying to solve the longstanding issue of paying for school buildings. In light of failed bonds and levies in August, and after lawmakers added \$330 million to the budget the interim group has taken on a three-month challenge to come up with solutions.

While Idaho's average math and ELA ISAT scores did not meet state goals, certain schools and districts have far surpassed those benchmarks. The top ten schools include Twin Falls High and Harrison Elementary.

Monday 110722

A 28 year old Twin Falls woman died while walking along the freeway near Jerome yesterday afternoon. State Police say the woman had parked on the westbound shoulder between Jerome and Twin Falls just before 3pm. She got out of the vehicle and was struck by a semi-truck.

The Idaho Secretary of State's office has imposed a fine of \$250 and instructed Ammon Bundy's gubernatorial campaign staff to add the words "Paid for by Ammon Bundy for Governor" to the website associated with signs posted across the state that say, "Don't Vote." The QR code on the signs brings up dontvoteidaho.com, followed by a series of statements about how a person should not vote if they are not informed, and if they do, they are the most dangerous person to a democracy.

As voters go to the polls tomorrow there are many decisions to make. Seven statewide offices will be decided. Governor, Lt. Governor, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Treasurer, Secretary of State, Controller and Attorney General. All 435 representatives in congress are on the ballot nationwide including Idaho Senator and two representatives. All 105 legislative seats are on the ballots including senators and representatives.

All signs are pointing to another great ski and snowboard season in Idaho this winter. For the first time in history, SKI Magazine named three Ski Idaho destinations to its list of the top 30 ski resorts in the West: Sun Valley earned no. 1 for the third consecutive year and was joined by Grand Targhee and Schweitzer in its list debut at no. 11. Sun Valley and Brundage Mountain are in the running for the USA Today "10Best".

An American Falls teen died Friday morning following a fatal crash in Minidoka County. 18-year-old Dylan Merritt was headed east on I-84 at 2:30 a.m. when he overcorrected and rolled into the median.

Election officials in Minidoka County had to move a polling location after a vehicle crashed into the front of Acequia Elementary School on Thursday night. The Acequia polling location, that polling spot has been moved to Rupert Elementary Gym.

Monday 111322

The University of Idaho has canceled all statewide classes today both online and in-person following a shooting yesterday that killed 4 students living off-campus. Police in Moscow were called to the home a mile off campus just before noon. The shooter has not been captured. The university issued a shelter in place for a time. Classes are set to re-open tomorrow. The student identities have not been released.

Police remain outside a home in Fruitland this morning with a tractor, dumpster and other individuals based on a lead they got in relation to the disappearance of Michael Vaughan, a 5-year-old that went missing in July of 2021. Police said during the course of the investigation we received information the remains of Michael Vaughan might be found behind the house.

Saturday morning just before 11 authorities began a pursuit of a reckless driver who was westbound on I-84 near Glenns Ferry. In the process the driver stuck a suburban and was attempting to hit

other vehicles including a semi pulling fuel tankers. Reports say the driver was exceeding a hundred miles an hour when police used the pit maneuver to stop the car. A 32 year old Texas man was charged with Aggravated assault, DUI, reckless driving, fleeing and assault on police.

Debbie Critchfield, the Superintendent elect of Public Instruction for Idaho has named Greg Wilson her Chief of Staff. He currently is the communication officer at the West Ada School District. Ryan Cantrell will be Chief Deputy Superintendent.

The ski and snowboarding season is on in Idaho. Lookout pass near Mullen opened Saturday. Grand Targhee Resort opens Thursday along with Pomerelle. Bogus basin opens November 19th. Sun Valley Resort will open for Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24, with the lifts on Dollar Mountain beginning to turn Dec. 9. Soldier Mountain will open Dec.15th. Magic Mountain has not announced anticipated opening dates yet.

Monday 112122

Two women, one from Twin Falls, died of their injuries sustained in a multi-vehicle crash on Highway 55, south of McCall just after 1 on Friday afternoon. Police say a man from Boise was driving south in a pickup, when he crossed the center line and sideswiped a suv. The vehicle, driven by a 70-year-old woman from Cascade, then crossed into the southbound lane and hit another small car, driven by a 28-year-old woman from Twin Falls. Anyone who has any information about this incident are asked to contact Idaho State Police.

Idahoans should be wary of scam mailers that look like official government letters but are advertisements for private tax attorneys who are "attempting to drum up business," according to the Idaho Attorney General. The inside of the mailer states that the recipient owes unpaid taxes, and a lien will be placed on

their property until the debt is paid. It appears the company has mined public tax records to locate information.

On Saturday, officials from the Idaho Secretary of State's Office begin auditing a sample of paper ballots cast in eight, randomly drawn counties during the recent general election. They expect to wrap up by tomorrow.

Moscow Police are providing further clarity after University of Idaho murders. Police said the 911 call was made from within the residence on one of the roommates' phones, shortly before officers arrived. Police said none of the victims were sexually assaulted, each was stabbed multiple times, some had defensive wounds and they were most likely asleep when they were attacked.

Officials with the academic leadership team at the University of Idaho are discussing options pertaining to class participation, following the Thanksgiving break. According to an email sent to students over the weekend, they will be receiving communication early next week about what options will be available for the remainder of the course.

For the ninth month in a row, Idaho's unemployment rate was listed below 3%; however, it did increase slightly from the prior month. Idaho's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for October was 2.9%, a 0.1% increase from September. Twin Falls' 4.3% increase of year-over-year nonfarm jobs led the state.

Monday 112822

A winter advisory has been issued for this morning for mountain snow. Most of the snow is expected to fall in the higher elevations. The Boise Mountains, West Central Mountains, and Owyhee Mountains will see the most amount of snow. Heavy snow is also expected in the mountains later this week. Gusty winds are also expected.

A US District Judge has denied former Caldwell Police officer Joseph Hoadley's motion for acquittal or a request for a new trial. In September, Hoadley was convicted on three felony charges: Destruction of Records in a Federal Investigation, Harassment, and Tampering With Documents. Hoadley's defense lawyer argued there was not sufficient evidence.

The Twin Falls fire department was called to an early morning fire yesterday. When they arrived they found a trailer fully involved. The blaze was also burning nearby debris. Fire officials say no one was injured.

Turnout in Idaho's Nov. 8 general election was considerably lower than expected - just 56.8% of registered voters statewide, according to the final election results certified by the state Board of Canvassers. According to the final, certified results, the highest voter turnout in the state came in Camas County, at 69%. The lowest turnout in the state was in Madison County with 38.6%.

A man in Nampa died from injuries sustained from a gunshot wound Saturday night. When the police arrived they found a 20-year-old man who had been shot. The police said that they think this is a gang-related shooting.

Idaho State Police is investigating a fatality collision that occurred Saturday just before noon on westbound Interstate 84 near Mountain Home. A 37-year-old-female from Nampa was driving when her vehicle struck an unoccupied car on the right shoulder. A 62 year old passenger was killed.

Idaho state police are asking for the public's help after a beer bottle was thrown at a trooper's car while the officer was making an arrest in a road rage incident Saturday afternoon. Police say it happened on I-15 near Chubbuck. The bottle struck the troopers rear window.

Monday 120522

Good news! Gas prices are rocketing downward. Triple A said that the average price for regular gas in Idaho is now \$3.99 a gallon. It's expected to drop more in the coming weeks.

Search teams in Fruitland continue to look for evidence today in the disappearance of Michael Vaughan. So far 2 suspects have been arrested in the disappearance of the 4 year old two years ago. Detection dogs have alerted to the presence of human remains. Ground radar also is pointing to more evidence in the backyard of the suspects.

Officials with the Salmon-Challis National Forest will hold a community meeting tomorrow in Salmon to discuss the Moose Fire Burned Area Emergency Response. The meeting relates to the human-caused Moose Fire, which started July 17 and burned more than 130,000 acres just outside the town of Salmon but is now 100% contained.

A two vehicle crash between Jerome and Shoshone slowed traffic along highway 93 for about 3 hours yesterday afternoon. Police say the accident happened around 4 pm when a vehicle crossed the center line and crashed into another car. Two people were taken to the hospital for medical treatment. One from Jerome the other from Wendell.

Twin Falls is accepting proposals for a flexible transit service that will be a on demand service. The bid calls for a two year program. A grant totaling 3-million dollars is being made available.

Boise Mayor Lauren McLean and three City Council members have placed Police Accountability Director, Jesus Jara, on administrative leave effective immediately. A release from Mayor McLean's office said the decision is in response to ongoing concerns with

professional judgement and lack of confidence in the actions of the office.

Recent heavy snow in Idaho's central mountains is increasing the risk of avalanches. Experts say there is an "exceptionally weak" layer of snow beneath the recent snowfall. If you plan to go out be aware of the dangers.

Monday 121222

With avalanche warnings this morning in Blaine County, the Blaine County School district said classes are canceled. The Hailey Fire department was called to several avalanches off the face of Della Mountain. That caused the Big Wood River to flood into the Della View neighborhood on War Eagle Road. Between Senate Creek Road; Titus Creek Road 22 miles north of the Ketchum area and Frenchman Creek Road 24 miles south of the Stanley area. The road is closed because of avalanche danger.

Idaho taxpayers will be forking out a record \$596 million in property taxes to districts in fiscal year 2023. Locally, the districts with the highest levy rates per \$100,000 of taxable value include Richfield with \$450 and Murtaugh at \$384. Districts that collect the most money from property owners include Blaine County with 37-million and Twin Falls with 17-million.

A divided North Idaho College board of trustees has placed President Nick Swayne on administrative leave, and trustees are talking about bringing back former wrestling coach and interim president Michael Sebaaly on a temporary basis. It happened after another meeting when Swayne balked at a hastily presented proposal to hire a new attorney, and a divided board of trustees passed a resolution derailing Swayne's plans to fill an administrative position.

A new Jerome business has hit the international stage for its innovation. Himpitecture picked up the top prize at New York

Grow. Nearly 400 companies competed with developments in agriculture. The company manufactures hemp based insulation.

Traffic was slowed along interstate 84 for about three hours Saturday afternoon in Oneida County after a westbound car collided into the rear of a trailer. A 69-year-old female, from Twin Falls, lost control of her vehicle and struck a parked Penske truck. Two people were taken to the hospital.

The Seventh Judicial District Magistrates Commission will meet in Butte County in late January to select a new magistrate judge. The new judge will replace Ralph Savage , who is retiring March 31. The applicants include Twin Falls County Civil Public Defender Adam Ondo.

Monday 12/19/22

Two Idaho men were sentenced for separate crimes against federal officers in U.S. District court. 51 year old Walter High Eagle of Fort Hall and 60 Year old John Roger March of Boise received their sentence last week. Eagle was sentenced to 144 months in federal prison for assault on an officer and for the use of a firearm. March was sentenced to 37 months in federal prison for threatening a federal officer. Court records say on January 20, March stole a rug from a post office in Boise.

Idaho governor Brad Little returned this past weekend from a nine-day trade mission to Taiwan and Singapore. Taiwan is Idaho's second largest export destination. In 2021, companies there bought more than \$470 million in Idaho products. Singapore is Idaho's fourth-largest export market overall, accounting for more than \$217 million in exports.

The recent increase in COVID-19, RSV, and Influenza has filled hospitals including those in the gem state. IDHW officials say RSV cases are starting to go down, but now doctors are seeing spikes in COVID-19 and Influenza.

The Boise social media influencer charged with two felony counts following the crash that killed a Cascade woman in August is set to enter a plea to the charges in late December. 37 year old Natalie Hodson, is charged with vehicular manslaughter and leaving the scene of an accident with injury. A conviction of leaving the scene of the accident that killed Rowley carries a possible maximum sentence of up to 5 years in prison, a fine of up to \$5,000, and a one-year driver's license suspension.

Former Caldwell Lieutenant Joseph Hoadley has filed a Tort Claim against the City of Caldwell. In September, Hoadley was found guilty on three counts: Falsifying a record or document in a federal investigation, witness tampering and destroying a record. The tort claim is seeking damages for defamation, negligent investigation, injurious falsehood and wrongful termination.

Late last night Twin Falls police sent out a mass cell phone, e-mail and alert to media stating they were looking for Verl Yergensen. The 79 year old man was located safely less than an hour later.

Thursday 100622

For taxpayers who have lived in Idaho the past couple of years and filed returns, a check is coming your way and you can now track it. The rebate automatically goes to people who lived in Idaho during the entire years of 2020 and 2021 and filed income tax returns during those years. The rebate is \$300 for individual filers and \$600 for joint filers or 10% of your 2020 income taxes, whichever is greater. Rebates totaling up to \$500 million will be sent out by the end of March.

The U.S. Supreme Court opened its term with an Idaho case that could significantly restrict the federal government's power to enforce clean water laws and prove crucial in determining wetland protections. The property of Michael and Chantell Sackett is across a road from wetlands that eventually drain into Priest Lake. The couple has argued that because their property

doesn't contain any waters itself, it shouldn't be subject to the requirements.

The Sawtooth National Forest is lifting fire restrictions in Idaho, effective midnight tomorrow. The Ross Fork Fire in the Sawtooth National Forest remains 64-percent contained. The Zone is the last in the State with restrictions.

Micron, one of the world's largest microchip manufacturers, announced Tuesday it would open a semiconductor plant in upstate New York with a investment of up to \$100 billion. The company said it would invest \$15 billion on a new semiconductor plant in Boise which they said includes 17,000 jobs.

Crews from the Jerome Fire Departments say a structure that burned in the county yesterday is a total loss. The fire call at 75 north and 200 west was reported just before 2 pm.

The Lincoln County sheriff's office arrested a man who has been accused of enticing a child. The man drove nearly 200 miles to meet up with who the suspect thought was the girl. Turns out it was a Deputy Sheriff.

Rescue workers were called to the canyon near the Perrine bridge yesterday afternoon when a base jumper got off course. The jumper ended up on the canyon wall. No serious injuries were reported.

Thursday 101322

Authorities from the Twin Falls sheriff's office say they have identified the deceased female that was found floating below the Perrine Bridge on September 9, 2014 by a Kayaker. She has been identified as Cynthia Gunnerson. The mid 50 year old was also known as Sasha Ergateage from San Diego, California. After failing to identify the woman, she was buried at Sunset Memorial park on October 7th 2014. The coroner's office listed her cause of death as a suicide.

Esmeralda Barrera Hernandez is facing vehicular manslaughter charges stemming from a head on collision July 28th of last year. Police say she crossed the center line on South Lincoln in Jerome crashing into oncoming traffic. 42 year old Mirna Cruz-Rosas of Jerome who was a passenger died at the scene.

Police in Meridian say they located a 77 year old man on a remote road in Boise county yesterday afternoon. Robert Trotter was suffering from severe dehydration. He had been missing since Sunday.

The burned out Radio Rondevoo building on Main Street in Twin Falls will soon be torn down. The fire broke out April 12th. Building owner Alex Castaneda said insurance claims have taken time to be processed. He is not sure what type of building will be built at the location.

Jerome will soon have a boys and girls club. Through a partnership with the Jerome school district the club will begin to operate on Monday October 24th inside Summit Elementary from 3 to 6 pm Monday through Thursday. Members are from ages 5 to 18 years.

If your travels take you through the intersection of 4000 north and 3300 East better known as the Shoshone Falls Intersection, expect some changes. Crews with the Twin falls Highway District installed two new stop signs at the intersection.

Thursday 10/20/22

A portion of I-84 near Jerome was closed for much of the night following a three car pileup. Idaho State Police say the accident happened just before 9 pm at Mile Marker 163 just outside of Jerome. A westbound freightliner truck driver lost control and traveled through the median. A car traveling eastbound collided with the truck. Then another car traveling in the same direction

collided with the wreckage. Two people were airlifted for medical treatment. The eastbound lanes were blocked for over 5 hours this morning.

Bingham county officials are asking for his county coroner to resign after he was arrested October 14th for Misdemeanor sexual battery. 55 year old James Roberts was released on his own recognizance and a no contact order was issued Monday.

For the first time since June's historic floods damaged Yellowstone National Park, crews reopened the road to the park's Northeast Entrance near Cooke City, Montana. On June 13, park officials closed all entrances to the park and then evacuated Yellowstone after floods washed out roads.

Idaho Gov. Brad Little and other statewide elected officials have approved a northern Idaho conservation easement as part of a program that has protected from development about 156 square miles of private timberland. In return for the easement, the non-industrial family landowner, Hartland LLC, will receive a \$275,000 payment. It will open 140 square miles for recreation.

The Blaine County School District is now offering limited workforce housing for its employees. The school district approved the leasing of single unit house to district employees.

The Legislature's Sept. 1 special session was a done deal. But that didn't stop about 650 Idahoans from calling or emailing Gov. Brad Little's office about his plan to pour state surplus dollars into tax cuts and education spending. A majority of the calls and emails ran against Little's proposal which became House Bill 1. HB 1 will provide \$500 million in one-time tax rebates and \$150 million in permanent income tax cuts. It also earmarks \$330 million a year of sales tax revenue for K-12.

A former eastern Idaho sheriff has been ordered to serve 10 days in jail and three years' probation because of a 2021 confrontation with members of a church youth group. Craig T. Rowland, who pleaded guilty in August to one count of aggravated assault, received his sentence Tuesday. Rowland must meet six times with a therapist. The judge also ordered him to pay a \$1,000 fine and issued a no-contact order under which Rowland is not to have any contact with the victims for five years.

Hospitals are filling up nationwide as a rash of respiratory infections spreads. Locally, St. Luke's Children's Hospital is experiencing an unusual pediatric volume for this time of year, partially due to continuing population growth in our communities and also due to increased seasonal respiratory illnesses.

A start-up company that started out at a car dealership has become the fastest growing company in Idaho. Lease End that helps people with their options of a vehicle lease is listed at #171 in Inc 5000 Magazine. The company is based in Burley and has offices in Twin Falls and Lehi Utah. They employ 100 people.

A Boise father is facing two felony charges three months after his son died in Lucky Peak Lake. On July 18, 36-year-old Vyla Sichulailuck and his 16-year-old son, Bobby, were hit by a wave while riding jet skis. Bobby fell off and never resurfaced. His body was found Aug. 3. Sichulailuck was charged with DUI and not having his son wear a life jacket.

Gerald Pizzuto, a convicted murderer in Idaho, has been in prison since 1986 on death row. The Idaho Commission of Pardons and Parole recommended last year that Pizzuto's death sentence be commuted to life in prison based on his declining health, colon cancer, and declining cognitive ability. The same day Governor Brad Little said he disagrees and that Pizzuto will still be put to death as originally sentenced. Pizzuto's attorneys have filed a

motion with the Idaho Supreme Court asking it to rehear the case granting clemency.

In Twin Falls, 3,100 absentee ballots have been issued to voters this year. A little more than 2,000 absentee ballots were cast in 2018. The mid-terms are two weeks away. Early voting started last Monday.

Thursday 110322

Albertsons told a coalition of attorneys general it won't delay a large dividend payment. It also claims the dividend was planned before the merger and was "independent" of the merger. As part of the transaction, Albertsons Cos. will pay a special cash dividend of up to \$4 billion to its shareholders." The attorneys general of California, Illinois and the District of Columbia are suing Albertsons in an effort to stop the grocery chain from paying the dividend.

A 37-year-old Washington man has been arrested on multiple charges, after police allege he robbed a bank. Boise Police responded to the robbery just after 2 Monday, on W. Fairview Ave. The suspect was eventually found outside of a building on the 7200 block of Fairview Ave.

A Meridian high school student died Wednesday morning after being hit by a vehicle while walking near the school. The student was walking across an intersection less than a mile from the school when the collision occurred. The driver stayed at the scene, and no charged had been filed.

More than \$1 million in funds from the federal American Rescue Plan Act have been granted to 20 municipalities across Idaho to plan improvements to drinking water and wastewater systems. Grants for wastewater planning studies only were distributed to City of Jerome for \$198,169 and the City of Twin Falls for \$145,000.

A high-profile Idaho attorney who has defended in state and federal courts some of the most restrictive abortion laws in the nation is among the latest attorneys to quit state employment.

Former Deputy Attorney General Megan Larrondo is one of eight attorneys and a handful of other staffers who have left or are leaving the Idaho attorney general's office following Raúl Labrador's win over five-term incumbent Attorney General Lawrence Wasden in the Republican primary in May. More departures are expected.

As of Tuesday, the State Idaho Department of Agriculture is stopping the sale of hemp and CBD products for pets. These products are not recognized by the US Food and Drug Administration as legal feed ingredients. Idaho law also does not recognize hemp as a feed or remedy ingredient.

After two months, injured Buhl Firefighter Jared Nebeker has returned home. Nebeker was injured in motorcycle accident back in late August and since then, he has been at the University of Utah Hospital, where he underwent multiple surgeries.

Thursday 110922

The Shoshone-Bannock Tribe is continuing to pursue a large-scale casino on a parcel of land in Elmore County, but few details are publicly available about the tribe's referendum vote on the project and its possible timeline for completion. The tribe wants use a 157-acre property near Interstate 84 just outside Mountain Home. The Shoshone-Paiute Tribe has sent materials about their proposal to Idaho Gov. Brad Little, but no land has been purchased yet.

Idaho Falls School District's \$250 million bond issue the largest to ever make it onto an Idaho ballot failed for a 3rd time Tuesday. The record-breaking bond would have funded construction of a new Idaho Falls High School, two new elementary schools, and extensive upgrades to the Skyline High school. Officials have said that if the bond didn't pass, they may have to resort to year-round school or split sessions.

Idaho Republicans maintained their hold in the deeply conservative state on Tuesday by retaining all statewide offices, a

U.S. Senate seat, both seats in the U.S. House and supermajorities in both chambers of the Statehouse. Republican Gov. Brad Little easily won a second term by defeating Democratic candidate Stephen Heidt and independent candidate Ammon Bundy.

On the day after she finished second in the lieutenant governor's election, Democrat Terri Pickens Manweiler announced she is beginning work to qualify an abortion rights ballot initiative in Idaho. She wants to draft language that would repeal Idaho's existing abortion laws, including the near total criminal abortion ban.

The Hagerman 4-point 8 million dollar water system revenue bond failed by one vote. Mayor Jay Allen said as soon as the vote is ratified he will be asking for a recount.

65 year old Matilde Centeno-Rojas was arrested after police said he chased a neighbor with a machete. The Paul man is charged with one count of felony aggravated assault. Other neighbors claim he chased them with a stick and threatened with a knife.

Thursday 111622

Idaho authorities issued a death warrant yesterday for a terminally ill man who is facing execution for his role in the 1985 slayings of two gold prospectors. The warrant sets 66 year old Gerald Pizzuto's execution by lethal injection on Dec. 15, but officials said they don't have the chemicals needed to carry out the execution, and are trying to obtain them.

For a second time, Lori Vallow has been found competent to stand trial in connection with the deaths of two of her children and the late wife of her current husband. The district judge issued a decision lifting the stay that was issued on Oct. 6, when proceedings in Vallow's case were suspended over questions about her mental competency. Before the stay, Vallow was

scheduled to stand trial with her husband, Chad Daybell, in January.

Police in Moscow said in a news conference yesterday they have not identified a suspect or found a weapon in the weekend slayings of four University of Idaho students in a rental house near campus. Authorities continue to believe the attack was targeted but walked back a previous statement that there was no threat to the public.

Police are continuing to excavate the backyard of a home in Fruitland in connection with the disappearance of 5-year-old Michael Vaughan a year ago. Fruitland Police Chief JD Huff said the excavation will continue until police are confident the search is complete. Police previously arrested 35-year-old Sarah Wondra, who lived at the House. She is charged with failing or delaying notification of a death.

Motorists using the Perrine Bridge after about 9 tonight will see some delays. Crews will be replacing the bridge lights with LED's. All roads will have their lights replaced by January of next year. The road is expected to be clear for tomorrow morning's commute.

Thanksgiving travel will continue to rebound in a big way this year. According to AAA, 54.6 million Americans, including nearly 312,000 Idahoans, will hit the road or head to the airport for a Turkey Day trip this year, an increase of 1.5% from a year ago.

Thursday 120122

Concerns about the economy, budget outlooks, property taxes and other subjects were the focus of the 76th annual Associated Taxpayers of Idaho Conference yesterday, with legislators and newly elected officials in attendance about a month before the next legislative session begins. Incoming Lt. Gov. Scott Bedke,

who is the speaker of the Idaho House of Representatives until January, gave opening remarks at the conference.

The state of Idaho no longer plans to execute Gerald Pizzuto Jr. on Dec. 15 after being unable to obtain the necessary chemicals for his scheduled lethal injection killing. The 66 year old was convicted in the 1985 deaths of Berta Herndon and her Nephew Delbert Herndon outside of McCall.

Secretary of State-elect Phil McGrane announced four hires who will join his staff in January when he is sworn in, according to a press release. The four include Nicole Fitzgerald as chief deputy, Brooke Brouman as deputy legislative counsel, Jason Lehosit as deputy policy director and Chelsea Carattini as communications director.

Magic Valley medical facilities are at capacity because of what some are calling a “triple-demic” of COVID, flu and RSV. Locally the COVID risk level is minimal according to the South Central Public Health District, and season flu activity for this time of the year in Idaho is high according to the CDC. However, RSV, the respiratory virus that disproportionately impacts young children, seems to be the one impacting the hospital the most.

The South Central Public Health District is lifting the public health advisory for Murtaugh Lake and Salmon Falls Creek Reservoirs after testing by the Idaho DEQ show concentrations of a toxin, microcystin, are back to safe levels.

The National Park Service has acquired 105 acres of land adjacent to the boundary of City of Rocks National Reserve. The purchase also includes about 5 acres of access easement that will allow for the construction of a new public access road to the property.

Thursday 120822

Public health officials are warning area residents to protect their health as case data shows winter respiratory diseases are hitting

earlier than usual. Data on the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's website show about 24 percent of respiratory syncytial virus lab tests came back positive between November 20th and 26th. In south central Idaho, that positivity rate jumped to nearly 40 percent.

A retired longtime police captain whose ties to a white supremacist group have prompted an in-depth investigation of potential racism at the Boise Police Department filed a discrimination complaint against the city in November. Matthew Bryngelson, who oversaw the patrol division and retired in August, alleges age and disability discrimination. The complaint was filed Nov. 8, less than two weeks before Bryngelson's racist ties became public.

State inspectors try to get out into every school once every three years for a safety assessment. They didn't come close to staying on schedule in 2021-22 because of the COVID-19 pandemic, which disrupted K-12 operations across the state. All told, the state assessed 152 schools last school year, just one-fifth of Idaho's 735 schools.

Police are asking for help finding the occupant of a car that was seen near where four University of Idaho students were stabbed to death last month, saying that person could have "critical information" about the case. Police are asking for the public's help tracking down the person or people inside a white Hyundai Elantra that was near the off-campus home in the early morning hours of Nov. 13.

A group of clean energy advocates from across the state have formed a new advisory council that plans to host an education day for the Idaho Legislature on Jan. 18. Idaho Energy Freedom is a group formed in September with a goal of educating Idahoans about the economic benefits of energy options for consumers and communities.

Thursday 121522

Likely voters across Idaho showed strong support for more education funding, and mixed support for school choice and education savings accounts, in a new poll. But a large segment of likely voters in Idaho weren't familiar with the policy idea of "school choice" that Idaho lawmakers expect to be a large part of the upcoming legislative session, which starts in less than a month.

The Idaho Housing and Finance Association plans to pause applications for emergency rental assistance funds on Dec. 29 because federal funds are quickly running dry a problem the agency hopes the Idaho Legislature can help with in January. The Emergency Rental Assistance program is meant to help individuals who need help with rent or utilities as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Twin Falls school district patrons will see a supplemental levy come to a vote in March. The district decided to continue the current levy which is 5-point 7 million for two years.

If Twin Falls county commissioners have their way, a newer portion of the County courthouse will be removed to make way for a new facility. The Theron Ward building next to the old courthouse was built in 1967. It sits next to the Jail. Commissioners hope to build a 63 thousand 500 square foot building in its place that would also conceal the jail. Cost would be 30-million.

32 year old Wilfredo Gomez is facing felony drug charges after police say he and a woman were about to use drugs in his vehicle. While police followed the car they say the suspect allegedly discarded drug related items. The woman claims Gomez offered to sell her Hydrocodone and Fentanyl. Gomez faces intent to deliver a controlled substance while a 5-year-old girl was in Gomez's vehicle.

Gov. Little issued an executive order yesterday that bans TikTok on all state-issued devices and networks. The move comes after the FBI has said that the app could be a national security threat. The app has already been banned on devices issued from the federal government.

Thursday 122222

It's cold! This morning there is a wind chill warning that will remain in effect until noon today. Forecasters say the dangerously cold wind chills will make it feel as low as 30 below zero. Flights coming in and out of Boise Airport are experiencing delays.

Although Idaho's 2023 legislative session doesn't begin until Jan. 9, action will begin picking up at the Idaho State Capitol during the first week of January with the inauguration setting the stage. There are four new statewide officials being sworn in and historical turnover and leadership changes at the Idaho Legislature. About one in three legislators will be rookies in 2023.

Idaho police say they've determined that a white sedan found in Eugene, Oregon, is not connected to the Nov. 13 stabbing deaths of four University of Idaho students. The Moscow Police Department announced Tuesday that it was working with law enforcement in Eugene to determine if the Hyundai Elantra left on the side of the road there after an injury crash was connected to the Idaho case.

At the urging of hundreds of Elmore County residents who signed petitions, the state Board of Education on Wednesday approved a resolution calling for a public vote in the county on whether to join the taxing district that supports the College of Southern Idaho. Now, it's up to Elmore County to call an election on the proposal.

Local health district officials say that RSV cases are declining, COVID-19 cases have hit a plateau but influenza cases continue to

increase. Data show hospital admissions for influenza patients increased from 185 patients two weeks ago to 283 patients last week.

The Idaho Board of Medicine did not review patient records before closing a complaint that alleged Dr. Ryan Cole was providing substandard medical care to COVID-19 patients in other states, according to public records and statements by Cole and his attorney. Meanwhile, Cole has gained more influence as a public figure in the movement to reject public health advice.

Thursday 122922

Two men were injured when the trailer in a Filer RV Park exploded yesterday afternoon. The two were working in the camper. The cause not announced.

The attorney for Chad Daybell has filed a motion to object to the court's scheduling order for jury questionnaire submissions. Jan. 9 is the deadline for the submission of jury questionnaires. Daybell and his wife Lori Vallow Daybell are charged with multiple counts of first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit murder. The trial will be held in Boise.

Sheriff deputies in Bonneville County responded to an airplane crash at the end of the Alpine Airport Runway on the Idaho/Wyoming border before 10 a.m. yesterday. There were no injuries to both occupants of the plane and minor damage occurred. Icy conditions on the runway is being blamed.

Intermountain Gas Company has just filed an interim purchased gas cost adjustment application to raise its prices. If it's approved, customers will see increases start Feb. 1. The monthly increases would be roughly \$8.58 for residential services and \$43.10 for commercial services.

Idaho Housing and Finance Association is pausing their Emergency Rental Assistance program application at noon today

in response to dwindling available funds. The program has distributed \$81.5 million to more than 24,000 Idaho families since May 2020.

Idaho State Correctional Center has lost two of the three boilers that provide hot water for about 1,800 of the 2,100 residents. The first boiler outage happened on December 17th and they are still awaiting the arrival of parts needed to bring the boiler back online. Officials say it could be four to six weeks. The other two boilers went down on December 24th. One is back in operation and the other is expected to be back online today.

The 4th annual Rupert Beet Drop is set to take place on New Year's Eve in the Rupert City Square. The 28 foot tall beet, known as Crystal, lights up and is lifted 150 feet in the air every New Year Eve as the clock is about to strike midnight.

Tuesday 100422

When the Idaho Supreme Court convenes on Thursday to hear oral arguments on the merits of three Idaho abortion laws, the state's trigger ban prohibiting nearly all abortions will have been in effect for exactly six weeks. Opponents will have one hour to convince Idaho Supreme Court judges that the laws should be struck down entirely.

Jim Jones, a former Idaho attorney general and former Idaho Supreme Court chief justice, will give a presentation tomorrow in Twin Falls on "Defining and Understanding Critical Race Theory. The event starts at 7 at the First Presbyterian Church.

According to AAA, the average price of gasoline both here in the Gem State and across the country is climbing. Tight supplies and

growing fuel demand are the main reasons for the recent uptick. Today, Idaho's average price for regular is \$4.42 per gallon, which is a penny more than a week ago, but 11 cents less than a month ago. Meanwhile, the national average currently sits at \$3.80 per gallon, 7 cents more than a week ago.

Some in Idaho are asking questions after a longtime orthopedic surgeon in Boise was back in the operating room, despite criminal charges that allege he sexually abused patients. A chiropractor in Boise, who faces criminal charges of sex offenses against his patients, had his license immediately suspended. A state agency that houses the professional licensing boards has been unable to explain the board's decisions.

U.S. Senators Mike Crapo and Jim Risch of Idaho joined in co-sponsoring a new bill, the Parental Rights over the Education and Care of Their Kids Act, which would protect parental rights by preventing schools from concealing information about students' gender from their parents. The PROTECT Kids Act would restrict federal funding for any elementary or middle school that allows students to change their pronouns, gender markers, or sex-based accommodations without the consent of their parents.

A federal judge has ordered Idaho and its prison medical care provider to pay more than \$2.5 million in legal fees to Adree Edmo a transgender inmate who sued after she was denied gender confirmation surgery. Edmo served a 10 year sentence for sexually abusing a 15-year-old boy.

Boise has settled a federal discrimination lawsuit with a former library employee who said they were harassed and discriminated against because they are non-binary and transgender. Jax Perez filed a lawsuit against Boise, the former library director and other library and city employees in U.S. District Court in Boise last summer.

U.S. officials are taking a big step involving a 1,200-mile hiking trail stretching from the Continental Divide to the Pacific Ocean. The U.S. Forest Service is accepting comments through Oct. 30 on a comprehensive plan for the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail, which starts in Glacier National Park in Montana, crosses through northern Idaho and finishes in Olympic National Park in Washington.

A federal lawsuit alleges the Idaho Health and Welfare have participated in discriminatory policies against transgender residents in Idaho by "indefinitely and unreasonably delaying prior authorization of genital reconstruction surgery. Gender dysphoria is when someone experiences distress from their gender identity not aligning with their sex assigned at birth.

An opening ceremony was held for a new cobalt mine near Salmon which represents a significant day for the domestic supply chain of the metal. When the company is up to full operations, they plan to produce about 2000 tons of cobalt in concentrate each year. So that's enough for roughly 400,000 electric vehicles.

The city of Twin Falls needs to spend 8-point 46 million dollars and they are looking for the public to help decide where the money should go. It's part of the federal funding from federal fiscal recovery fund that came in response to the covid 19 public health emergency.

Drivers in the Gem State are paying much more for a gallon of gas than in other parts of the country, but so far, the heavy impact of a recent surge in pump prices has been felt primarily in

northern Idaho. Today, Idaho's average price for regular is \$4.42 per gallon, which is the same as a week ago and six cents less than a month ago. The national average currently sits at \$3.92.

The Twin Falls city council approved the appointment of Shawn Barrigar to be the next economic Development director at last night's council meeting.

Tuesday 101822

One person is dead following a five vehicle pileup early yesterday morning. The accident 7 miles north of Jerome on highway 93 left the portion of the highway closed for 9 hours. It happened just after 6 am when a car was attempting to turn left at 750 north road. A second car crashed into its rear. Then a truck loaded with potatoes crashed into the cars. Another truck collided into the wreckage followed by another car. The potato truck driver died at the scene. Two others injured.

Jerome county commissioners have named Brad Calbo to serve as the new prosecuting attorney. He will fill the position soon to be vacated by Mike Seib.

About 100 acres burned on BLM land yesterday 3 miles east of Shoshone. The railroad fire was reported just after 2 pm yesterday. It was contained at 6 pm and controlled around 10. The cause is under investigation.

The city of Twin Falls held another groundbreaking yesterday to celebrate the construction of another new fire station. It will be located at the corner of Washington Street south and Balanced Rock road. It's expected to be complete sometime next year. The other new station is nearly complete.

Idaho revenue from tax collections was \$50 million below expectations for the first three months of the current fiscal year, but the state still has a \$1.5 billion budget surplus. September's

revenue was down about \$11 million, with sales and corporate income taxes below predictions.

The Idaho Supreme Court is seeking input on proposed revisions to court rules involving cameras in the courtroom. Proposed amendments would remove the distinction between organizations that produce still photography and organizations that produce video.

The Jerome civic club will host a meet the candidate's forum tomorrow at the public library. State senator candidates Donald Lappin, Laurie Lickley and Ron Taylor will be in attendance along with District state Representative hopefuls Ned Burns, Mike Pohanka, Karma Metzler Fitzgerald and Jack Nelson. It will begin at 7 pm at the Jerome Public Library.

Tuesday 102522

Another person has been charged in the January 2nd slaying of Julio Lopez of Heyburn. Klee Lee Morrison is the brother of Kalob Morrison who also faces murder charges. Court records say the two brothers worked together to kill Lopez, place his body in his vehicle and drive to the Lincoln County Desert where the body and burned vehicle were found.

Gas prices are falling in the Gem State, but Idaho drivers are still getting more tricks than treats in the run-up to Halloween. According to AAA, the state average for regular gasoline is \$4.36 per gallon, which is about a nickel less than a week ago and a month ago, but 65 cents more than a year ago. Meanwhile, the national average currently sits at \$3.79. Today, Idaho ranks 8th in the country for most expensive fuel.

The College of Southern Idaho has joined Idaho's other higher education institutions in an agreement that will make it easier for CSI students who earn an associate degree to move directly into higher-level programs at Idaho four-year institutions. The new Partnership, signed by all eight Idaho public institutions, means that students who finish their degree at CSI can immediately begin taking classes needed to obtain a baccalaureate degree.

The Army Corps of Engineers has issued a permit to clear the way for yet another hydroelectric dam on Idaho's Snake River. Twin Falls or Jerome counties might still hold up the Auger Falls project, however. It would be located three miles downstream from Twin Falls' Perrine Bridge.

Two Magic Valley schools received five thousand dollars this week to help boost pleasure reading among students. Harrison Elementary School and Magic Valley High School both received funding from the Idaho Commission for Libraries to purchase age-appropriate fiction and nonfiction books.

25 year old Nathanael Michael West of Twin Falls, was sentenced in U.S. District Court to 84 months in federal prison for three counts of mailing threatening letters to three prosecutors. According to court records, West admitted that on three dates between July and August 2021, he sent the letters to three prosecutors in Idaho. Two of the prosecutors had previously prosecuted West. In profane and graphic terms, West wrote that he would torture and murder the prosecutors.

Tuesday 110122

Idaho State Police is investigating a vehicle collision that occurred just after noon yesterday, on US30 just west of Lava Hot Springs. A 60-year-old male, from Hansen, and a 58-year-old male passenger, also from Hansen, were driving eastbound on US30 when a suv crossed into their lane.

The jury trial for a Raft River man who is accused of killing his wife has been postponed until the spring. Jimmy Lee Murphy's trial was vacated yesterday and is rescheduled for April 4th, 2023. The 32-year-old is charged with first-degree murder after allegedly killing his wife, Whitney in 2014.

Steve Pankey was found guilty by a jury of first-degree felony murder and second-degree kidnapping on Monday in the 1984 death of 12-year-old Jonelle Matthews. He previously went to trial in the same case last fall, but the jury could not reach a consensus on charges of first-degree murder, felony murder and second-degree kidnapping. A mistrial was declared on those counts. He was a former Idaho Gubernatorial candidate and also ran for Twin Falls county sheriff.

Today, the average price for regular in the Gem State is \$4.33 per gallon, which is nine cents less than a month ago but 62 cents more than a year ago. Meanwhile, the national average currently sits at \$3.76, which is four cents less than a month ago but 36 cents more than a year ago.

Idaho Senator Mike Crapo presented the Spirit of Freedom Idaho Veterans Service Award to Hayley Slaughter yesterday in Mountain Home. Donor Outreach for Veterans nominated Hayley for donating her kidney earlier this year to Candice Martin, an active member of the U.S. Army.

A person has been arrested on arson charges in connection to a fire at a three-story residential building Sunday afternoon. 60 year old Scott Bradley Panratz was arrested on arson charges. The building was heavily damaged.

Should the Idaho constitution be amended to allow the Idaho legislature to call itself back for special legislative sessions? Former Idaho Governor Butch Otter is speaking out on the issue. Short answer NO. The proposal is on November's ballot.

Tuesday 110822

Police continue to investigate a two vehicle crash at north Lincoln and 8th street in Jerome yesterday afternoon that started as a police chase. It started t about the time students were being dismissed from a nearby school. The driver crashed into a church sign after striking another vehicle. That driver was air lifted for treatment. The suspect was also injured.

The Twin Falls city council approved garbage trucks to begin operating an hour earlier in the morning. Now trucks can begin operating at 6.

Thanks to Idaho taxpayers who chose to donate to the Idaho Food Bank Fund, this year 47 organizations across the state received grants to further their work to solve hunger in Idaho. The grants totaling \$233,900

RSV is very common, infecting most people by the time they reach kindergarten. For most children and adults, RSV causes mild illness. But it can become severe in babies and toddlers. The South Central Public Health District is reminding people about staying vigilant with your health practices. Since October 26, there have 1,035 new cases of COVID-19 in the state.

37 year old Manuel Curiel Jr. of Burley was sentenced to 10 years in federal prison for possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine. Curiel was arrested Jan. 21, 2020, after detectives with the Cassia County Sheriff's Office served a search warrant at his residence.

Boise-based Albertsons Companies' plan to issue a dividend to shareholders didn't go as scheduled. A King County, Washington judge temporarily blocked the payment, approving a motion by that state's attorney general to stop the dividend until a full review of the case and any possible violation of antitrust laws.

Global concerns about a tight crude oil supply are putting pressure on gas prices across the country this week, but Idaho prices are still falling for now. According to AAA, the U.S. average

price for regular gasoline is \$3.80 per gallon. Meanwhile, Idaho's average price is \$4.30 per gallon. The Gem State ranks 8th in the country for most expensive fuel.

Tuesday 111522

Police in Fruitland have arrested a woman in connection with the disappearance of 5-year-old Michael Vaughan who went missing more than a year ago. Investigators believe 35 year old Sarah Wondra may have had knowledge of the child's death. She is charged with failing or delaying notification of a death. On Saturday investigators began searching again, using a tractor and specially-trained dogs to dig up the backyard of a house in Fruitland not far from Vaughan's home.

A Twin Falls man was killed after a load of supplies at a landscaping store fell on top of him yesterday in Filer. 31 year old Brett Dayley died at the scene. The incident occurred at the Rock yard company.

Police have identified the four University of Idaho students who were found dead in a home near the Moscow, Idaho campus on Sunday. Authorities have called the deaths "homicides." The victims are Ethan Chapin, a 20-year-old from Conway, Washington; Madison Mogen, a 21-year-old from Coeur d'Alene; 20 year old Xana Kernodle, from Avondale, Arizona; and 21 year old Kaylee GonCalves, from Rathdrum. There have been no arrests.

An Idaho judge is considering whether to split up the trials of a newlywed couple accused of conspiring to kill her two children and his late wife. An attorney for Chad Daybell asked a judge that his client be tried separately from Lori Vallow Daybell. The attorney, John Prior, said the co-defendants will have "mutually antagonistic defenses" a legal term that generally means a jury would have to disbelieve one defendant in order to believe the other.

In Blaine County, a revenue bond, meant to increase funding for infrastructure renovations of the wastewater treatment plant, passed with nearly 90 percent approval. The bond is set to create marginal increases in costs for homes with accounts with the Ketchum/Sun Valley wastewater plant.

The City of Twin Falls is asking residents to remove leaves and debris from street curbs and gutters in order to help prevent localized flooding when snow and precipitation arrives. Residents can place bagged leaves besides their trash bins for disposal on their regular pickup day for no additional cost.

Tuesday 112222

Friends and family gathered yesterday to remember one of the four University of Idaho students stabbed to death in their home early Nov. 13, as police in Moscow have yet to identify a suspect in the slayings. The memorial service for Ethan Chapin was held in Mount Vernon, Washington. The 20 year old was a triplet, and is survived by his parents and his siblings Maizie and Hunter. All three triplets enrolled in the University of Idaho last August.

Following the September special session of the Idaho Legislature, 91 lobbyists were fined by the Idaho Secretary of State's office for filing late reports. While the session lasted a single day on Sept. 1, when the Idaho Legislature passed a \$1 billion bill that included a tax cut and a \$330 million increase for K-12 education funding, most registered lobbyists were still required to submit a report. At last check there are 393 registered lobbyists in Idaho, meaning about 23% of the registered lobbyists were fined.

Yesterday, A hearing took place for Sarah Wondra who arrested in connection with the disappearance of 6 year old Michael Vaughan. She is charged with failing to report a death. Police spent most of last week digging in the backyard at the house where Wondra lives.

Lawmakers say potential new laws intended to limit state investments or contracts with companies that factor in such things as climate change and workers' rights into their business practices will likely be introduced in the upcoming legislative session. Conservative lawmakers tend to view the strategy with suspicion.

Police say that a 66 year old Jerome man was seriously injured when his semi-truck rolled along I-84 in Payette County. It happened just after 3 pm.

Sawtooth Elementary in Twin Falls is working to improve its playground equipment that is ADA accessible and is looking for the community's help. Organizers are halfway to the goal of raising \$219,000. The plan for improvements began when last year's kindergarten class began spending recess away from the playground in order to keep one wheelchair-bound student involved.

Tuesday 112922

Tonight at 5:30 Students and employees of the College of Southern Idaho will hold a candlelight vigil to honor the lives of the students who were killed at the University of Idaho on November 13th. Police continue to investigate the deaths in Moscow. So far there have been no arrests. The vigil will take place near the tower at the center of the CSI campus.

As classes resume yesterday at the University of Idaho, police have reported a big uptick in calls for welfare checks. Since Nov. 13 the day four U of I students were found slain in an off-campus house the Moscow Police Department has received 78 "calls for unusual circumstances" and 36 requests for welfare checks.

An attorney representing the state of Idaho has filed a motion asking a judge to dismiss a lawsuit against the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare over alleged discriminatory policies that

deny transgender people coverage under Medicaid for gender reassignment surgery. Idaho Legal Aid Services filed the claim on behalf of two transgender women who are 18 and 21 years old.

Idaho legislators will set the stage for the 2023 legislative session this week in Boise by selecting critical leadership positions for the Idaho House of Representatives and Idaho Senate. Although the 2023 legislative session does not gavel in until Jan 9, the leadership and committee assignments will be sorted out this week.

Police in Twin Falls have charged 18 year old Logan Daniel Penner with felony aggravated Battery. Police say he was watching his girlfriend's children. Penner told authorities he was upset the child was screaming. He allegedly shook the baby and his head against the edge of the crib. The infant is in Critical condition and on a ventilator.

18 year old Sydney Gibson who has been charged with leading police on a high-speed chase in August before her passenger was killed in a shootout with authorities. In court yesterday she plead not guilty to the charges. A four day trial is set for April 4th.

Tuesday 120622

Intermountain Gas Company customers may see their bills rise as the company is proposing a rate increase. If approved, residential natural gas customers would see an increase in their monthly bills by 4.4%, or \$2.19. The average commercial customer would see a 1.5% increase, or \$3.43. The rate hike would amount to \$11.3 million annually or an overall increase of 3.2%.

Another company approached Boise-based Albertsons company about an acquisition months before discussions with Kroger began. The revelation was made in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The unknown company, referred to

only as Party A, approached Albertsons in November of 2021 to discuss a potential acquisition.

PETA said they have sent a letter to the Minidoka County prosecutor claiming the Ida Meats slaughterhouse near Rupert should be investigated. In a news release, the group claims calves were deprived of water when a federal inspector found them. The group claims 251 calves hauled to the facility died during transport and had to be killed prior to slaughter.

Charges against 19 year old Logan Danial Penner have been amended to first degree murder by the Twin Falls prosecutor's office after a two month baby died last week. Penner is accused of shaking Peyton Rice and hitting his head against the edge of a crib. The baby was taken off life support last Wednesday.

Moscow Police are providing new details in the investigation of four murdered University of Idaho students on Nov. 13. Police say information about an encounter Kaylee Goncalves, one of the four victims may be related to references she made about having a stalker. Investigators say two men were seen inside a local business in mid-October. Police said there is no evidence to suggest the two men were involved in the murders.

Newly elected Speaker of the House Rep. Mike Moyle wrapped up House Committee assignments and most notably stripped a Democratic seat from the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee. Speaker Moyle awarded 9 of 10 total JFAC seats to Republicans. The minority party previously held two seats.

Tuesday 121322

A 69 year old Jerome man has died of his injuries following a car crash in Jerome County. Police say the victim was westbound on 400 south when he lost control, hit a guard rail and concrete pillar.

The Kimberly Middle school is closed today and tomorrow. School officials say they had to suspend classes because of staff and student illness.

Highway 75 outside of Ketchum is open this morning. Yesterday, it was closed due to the avalanche warning because of heavy snow. An avalanche occurred over the weekend causing the big wood river to rise and damaging some homes.

Police are asking for your help in locating two mini-cassia teens. Heyburn police say 16 year old Isaiah Rogers and 16 year old Tala Freiburger disappeared December 6th.

A restraining order blocking Albertsons from paying out a \$4 billion dividend payment to shareholders is still in place but the Boise-based grocery giant did get good news in court. The judge sided with Albertsons and its potential acquirer Kroger over the Washington Attorney General's office, which had sued to stop the dividend payment. But, the judge said a temporary restraining order should stay in place until December 19th to give the AG time to appeal.

Idaho's senior member of the U.S. House of Representatives will be gone from the halls of Congress until January. U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson notified the clerk of the House in a letter Nov. 29 that he would be absent. He tapped fellow Idaho Republican Rep. Russ Fulcher as his proxy. Simpson had surgery and is recovering. He should be back in D.C. to vote on January 3.

Seven head of cattle died after the semi truck hauling them rolled on Highway 26 just east of Carey just before 7 Sunday Night. Police say the driver said he had to swerve to avoid a head on collision with a car. The truck was loaded with 45 head of Cattle. The driver was not seriously injured.

Indigenous leaders from the Northwest renewed their call for the federal government to pressure Canada to stop additional mining activity in British Columbia, which they say contaminates waters in Idaho. Mining in the Canadian province already leaks selenium.

All 19 Idaho ski areas will be open for the holidays and the Sun Valley Resort is getting ready to start another significant upgrade to Bald Mountain.

Albertsons Companies, in connection with its merger with Kroger, hoped to hand out a \$4 billion dividend payment to shareholders. But it won't be happening soon. The Washington Court decided to extend a temporary restraining order against the payment indefinitely.

Idaho's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 3% in November, edging up from October's 2.9%. Twin Falls saw the greatest increase at 3.9%.

It's been a news-filled few days for North Idaho College. On Friday, President Nick Swayne sued the college, protesting trustees' Dec. 8 decision to put him on paid administrative leave. On Saturday, a regional governing body raised new questions about the college's accreditation. Then the faculty joined the college's student government in casting votes of no confidence in the board. Saturday the meeting ended when the fire alarm was pulled.

To the apparent relief of administrators, teachers, and students, split sessions are officially off the table for Idaho Falls High School for now, at least. Now leaders are looking at another funding measure to be voted on in March, implementing five 70-minute class periods, adding zero hours and adding modular structures.

Declaring that "we have returned to life as normal," Idaho's Brad Little joined 23 other Republican governors in calling on President Joe Biden to end the federally declared Public Health Emergency. The Republican governors are urging the president to let the declaration expire in April.

The Hansen Schools are closed today. Crews are working to make necessary repairs to the heating system.

Much of the higher elevations of Idaho are under a winter storm watch. Higher elevations could see upwards to 10 inches of snow and gusty winds of 50 miles an hour plunging the wind chill deep into negative numbers. The warning is through tomorrow afternoon.

A late night fire in Jerome has displaced a family just before midnight Friday. The home is located in the 1600 block of North Kennedy street. If you want to help call 208-539-4452.

Tuesday 122722

The winter storm that is sweeping through the nation is affecting travel at the Boise airport. Yesterday, every flight coming into the Boise Airport was cancelled, except for one that was delayed and another that was diverted. Twelve out of fifteen departures were also cancelled. The runways at the airport are open and optional for flights needing to land.

Locally there are weather warnings. As we go on the air this morning, the weather service has issued a high wind warning that extends till 6 tonight. Gusts are expected up to 65 miles per hour throughout southern Twin Falls County. Meanwhile, there is a winter storm warning for Stanley basin, Sun Valley and the Wood River Foothills. Upwards to 4 inches are expected in the valleys and 10 to 20 inches on ridge tops and elevations above the passes.

The city of Eagle is suing a former commission chairman after it said he illegally signed vendor contracts for an upcoming arts program. Mark McAllister, the former Eagle Arts Commission chairman, allegedly approved vendor contracts with two media companies for work on a city arts program, without the necessary approval. The city is seeking \$9,000 from McAllister for the money owed to the vendors.

Early Christmas morning a person was shot following an altercation in Caldwell. Following the shooting, the suspect left the scene. The victim is in critical condition at a local hospital.

A University of Idaho professor has filed a lawsuit alleging defamation by a Tik Tok crime sleuth, who accused the professor of murdering the four Idaho students on her account which later was reposted and viewed by millions. Ashley Guillard, posted multiple Tik Toks accusing Professor Rebecca Scofield of the quadruple murder. She sued after they weren't taken down.

The case against Sarah Wondra, the woman accused of failing to report the death of missing Fruitland boy Michael Vaughan, remains on pause as court officials await an update on her mental competency. Wondra has been in the custody of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare since early December.

Wednesday 100522

Just before 10 am yesterday morning, a semi truck flipped over just south of Hansen. Police say the accident at 3375 north and 3800 east happened when the truck driver failed to negotiate a turn. The driver had to be extracted and was taken to the hospital with minor injuries.

Jerome police have posted on their facebook page a video they hope will help solve a shooting that occurred September 24th. It happened in the 900 block of South Davis Street. The ring doorbell video captured both the victim and the suspects' vehicle driving down the road. Off camera five gun shots can be heard. The victim was transported for medical treatment. Police say that person is being uncooperative with the investigation.

Chobani said they will be increasing wages once again at their Twin Falls Yogurt plant. The wage increase adds up to 20 to 30 percent resulting in an average hourly wage of 23-50. In 2020 the plants starting wage was \$15 an hour.

Idaho's Department of Juvenile Corrections and Department of Health and Welfare are teaming up to open Youth Behavioral Health Community Crisis Centers around the state. Young people who are having suicidal thoughts, or struggling with substance abuse or domestic violence can stay at the centers for up to 24 hours. The Idaho Legislature allocated a one-time general fund of \$4.42 million to support the development of these facilities.

Idaho faces another challenge to its abortion bans in federal court from the Satanic Temple. The lawsuit argues against Idaho's trigger law banning nearly all abortions and the civil enforcement law that allows family members to file lawsuits against medical providers who perform abortions.

Millions of dollars from the federal government is coming to Idaho to fight the overdose crisis. The White House recently announced a \$1.5 billion investment in the fight against overdose deaths. \$7.9 million is heading to Idaho. Some of it will go toward expanding access to life saving tools like opioid overdose reversal medications.

Wednesday 101222

Nearly 50 longtime Idaho Republicans, including a former governor and dozens of other past and current officeholders is endorsing the Democratic candidate for attorney general in November's election. Republicans attended a news conference at the Statehouse with Boise attorney Tom Arkoosh, who has said he has no political ambitions other than to run the office fairly.

Highway 30 traffic that runs through the city of Twin Falls might be moved to a different route. City officials are currently looking at federal funding possibilities of moving the traffic that travels east and west using the two second streets. The city council approved 120-thousand dollars in General Funds to the project if the plan moves forward through a federal planning grant.

Barley farmers in Idaho are seeing returns one for the record books this year. But because of the rising cost of growing the crop, producers are not bringing in record profits. In 2022, 560,000 acres were planned and 540,000 harvested, compared to 530,000 acres planted and 500,000 harvested in 2021.

The median price of a home in both Ada and Canyon Counties continues to drop, and fewer homes are selling than in any year since 2015. The September data shows the median price of a house in Ada County fell to \$540,000 in September. That's a drop of 4.4% from August.

The College of Southern Idaho has been awarded more than \$2.5 million over five years to support getting more students to attend college. As the first federally designated Hispanic Serving Institution in Idaho, CSI will use the funds to partner with the Jerome School District.

A campaign finance complaint related to personal expenditures for haircuts has been resolved after the Democratic candidate in a legislative district in Pocatello said he will repay the \$92. Nate Roberts is a candidate for the Idaho Legislature in District 29, which is an open seat with no incumbent. Roberts' opponent, Jake Stevens, filed a formal complaint highlighting three haircut expenditures. Roberts said he thought it fit the campaign costs.

Wednesday 10/19/22

Elections officials in some Idaho counties say interest in absentee voting is increasing ahead of the Nov. 8 general election. As long as they are already registered to vote, Idahoans have until Oct. 28 to request an absentee ballot. Voters can request an absentee ballot through the Idaho Secretary of State's website voteidaho.gov, or through their local county clerk's office. All absentee ballots need to be received by the local county elections office by the time the polls close at 8 p.m. local time on Election Day, Nov. 8.

A bill that would ban drag performances in all public venues will be introduced in the first days of the next session of the Idaho Legislature in January by the Idaho Family Policy Center. Some have protested against events in public spaces that feature drag queens, including drag queen story hour events at public libraries. Organizers say no child should ever be exposed to sexual exhibitions like drag shows in public places.

A BASE jumper was injured Monday evening after overshooting the landing site below the Perrine Bridge and hitting a rock. The adult male was flown to a Boise hospital after suffering an injury to a leg and his head.

A legal loophole in Idaho that allows parents of teens to nullify child custody agreements by arranging child marriages will remain in effect, under a ruling from the state Supreme Court. In a split decision, the high court declined to decide whether Idaho's child marriage law which allows 16- and 17-year-olds to marry if one parent agrees to the union is unconstitutional. Instead, the justices said that once a child is emancipated by marriage, the family court loses jurisdiction over custody matters.

Idaho's tourism numbers are growing at a record pace. At the Idaho Conference of tourism in Twin Falls this week officials say Idaho has fully rebounded from Covid-19.

Idaho Governor Brad Little said the gem state is dominating new economic rankings. The numbers show Idaho is number one for momentum, top growing state, tax revenue growth during the pandemic and is prepared to withstand economic stress. The state is also on top for income equality.

Wednesday 102622

Last Friday, as the stock market opened Albertsons' stock dropped sharply. The apparent cause? A deal to pay shareholders

a large dividend next month. Albertsons Companies plans to pay a large dividend to every single shareholder. The company will pay \$6.85 per share. With 576.3 million shares of the company outstanding, that means Albertsons will pay out \$3.94 billion to shareholders. But there is no assurance the Kroger deal will happen. It's likely to face scrutiny from the Federal Trade Commission. Hearings have been announced in the US Senate next month. Unions are lining up against the deal.

The first confirmed case this year of chronic wasting disease has been detected in a deer in Idaho County in north-central Idaho, state wildlife officials said. Officials said a white-tailed deer found dead along the side of the road tested positive for the disease.

Eagle Police are investigating a fatal semi-truck vs. bicycle crash on Idaho Hwy. 55. Authorities say that a teenage boy was on his bike stopped on the west side of Hwy. 55 near Beacon Light rd. around 1:30 p.m. when a southbound semi-truck turned right. The 70 year old driver of the semi did not stop. A motorist followed the truck until Police pulled him over. The teenager has been identified as 14-year-old Rylan Hoob of Boise.

The Idaho National Laboratory in the eastern part of the state will receive \$150 million for infrastructure improvements to boost nuclear research and development. The department said the money is part of President Joe Biden's Inflation Reduction Act that includes some \$375 billion over a decade to fight climate change.

The federal government is suing Driggs near Grand Teton National Park for dumping toxic waste from its sewage treatment

plant into a stream that feeds several scenic rivers in the region. The federal government said the city violated the Clean Water Act by dumping effluent with too much e. coli and ammonia more than 2,600 times over the last seven years.

Good news for Idaho college students. The college board's annual trends places the gem state the sixth least expensive state for Tuition and fees.

Wednesday 110222

The Idaho Secretary of State's office is working to determine the source of signs posted around the Treasure Valley with a message that says, "Don't Vote" and a QR code that redirects to the campaign website for Ammon Bundy, who is running as an independent candidate for governor. The signs do not indicate who paid for them to be printed and placed, which Deputy secretary of state Chad Houck said would be a campaign finance violation if the campaign knew about them.

What is being called a Micro-hospital might be coming to Idaho. Houston Based Nutex Health hopes to build a facility near the Flying Wye in Boise. The hospital would take up just 21,380 square feet in a single-story building.

State Rep. Dustin Manwaring's downtown Pocatello billboard supporting his re-election campaign was vandalized this past weekend with a spray-painted death threat against him. The text on the billboard read "Re-elect Manwaring," but the vandals wrote Kill and painted a red hanger over Manwaring's picture. The Republican Manwaring, an attorney from Pocatello, is trying to fend off a challenge from Democrat Mary Shea. The Democratic Party condemned the action. Police are investigating.

In Castleford, A former city clerk awaits sentencing on grand theft charges after embezzling almost \$11,800 in 2020. 29 year old

Susana Runyan was charged with grand theft this year after discrepancies were found in money received from utility payments.

A former Cascade Community Church youth pastor has been convicted and sentenced to 20 years in prison for lewd conduct with a child under 16 years old. 45-year-old Estevan Diaz must serve five years minimum in a state prison before he is eligible for parole. The Valley county sheriff's office said Diaz was arrested in December 2021.

Some new Idaho homeowners are experiencing buyer's remorse after purchasing their new home during the pandemic. Some waived home inspections, appraisals and paid hundreds of thousand over the asking price to get accepted. Some real estate brokers say they are seeing a big slowdown.

Wednesday 110922

Election results are slowly trickling in this morning. Here is what we know so far. Idaho Gov. Brad Little won a second term. Incumbent Republican U.S. Reps. Mike Simpson and Russ Fulcher retained their seats in Congress. Idaho Republican Senator Mike Crapo won a fifth term. Scott Bedke is leading for Lt. Governor. Phil McCrane is on top for Secretary of State. Brandon Woolf for state Controller. Julie Ellsworth for State Treasurer. Raul Labrador for Attorney General and Debbie Critchfield for Superintendent of Public Instruction. For the question whether lawmakers can call for a special session, it's very close. Yes 50 percent No 49 percent. Idahoans appear to approve the question whether the state should have sent out the refund bonus earlier this year.

Other winners leading include Linda Wright for District 25 legislative position. State rep district 25 seat B is Greg Lanting. For District 26, Ron Taylor is leading. For District 26 Seat A Ned Burns leads. For seat B Karma Metzler Fitzgerald leads. For District 27, Kelly Anthon is on top.

In Jerome County Dan Chatterton leads in the County Corners race. It appears that voters in Twin Falls and Cassia County voters Rock Creek approve of the override levy. In Hagerman, the city bond has failed.

We will have more results as they become available.

Twin Falls county clerk Kristina Glascock said the county saw a drop in early voting compared to the 2018 midterms. The numbers were down by about a 1000 voters.

Starting in January, the responsibility of paying the water bill in Twin Falls will be shifting to Landlords and not the people who rent. In the past, the city was losing more than 100-thousand dollars a year. The new ordinance was passed earlier this year by the city council.

Idaho tax collections are back on track after October revenue exceeded expectations and made up for the first three months of the current fiscal year. Idaho collected about \$48 million more than expected in October. Idaho's unemployment rate in September was 2.8%, the eighth consecutive month below 3%, according to the Idaho Department of Labor. Corporate income taxes also exceeded expectations in October by \$4.3 million, about 24%.

Wednesday 111622

The killer or killers who stabbed four University of Idaho students to death remain at large, prompting many students to leave the campus despite police assurances that there was no imminent risk to the community. So many students had left the campus in Moscow that university officials said a candlelight vigil scheduled for the next day would instead be held after the Thanksgiving break.

Hagerman Mayor Alan Jay has resigned. He stepped down because he said he is temporarily living in Twin Falls while his home is built in Hagerman.

Starting January 2nd the Twin Falls Public Library will no longer charge overdue fines on most materials. Overdue fines currently on accounts will be cleared - however, charges for lost or damaged items will remain. The library hopes this policy change will encourage community members to rediscover their local library and all the items, programs, and services available to them.

The Twin Falls Sheriff's office is reminding residents to be wary of social media posts about missing children. One is circulating about a missing Buhl boy. The boy was from Buhl Alabama and was not true. Police say their departments will post information about missing people and will notify local media. Those can be trusted.

The Boise Airport is adding a new service to get people through security quicker. It's called CLEAR for expedited security lanes, which is an identity verification program. Passengers must first enroll in CLEAR plus. Then they can skip the regular security lanes. Passengers will verify their identity with their eyes or fingerprint, and be escorted to baggage screening.

The Greater Idaho movement continued its winning streak in eastern Oregon for the fifth election cycle in a row. The movement aims to convince state legislatures to move the Oregon/Idaho border to make conservative counties of Oregon into counties of Idaho. The movement has already won elections in 11 of the 15 counties that are proposed to join Idaho.

Wednesday 112322

A retired Boise Police Captain has been condemned by Mayor Lauren McLean and two local policing organizations after he was linked to posts and a conference known for white supremacist views over the weekend. Captain Matt Bryngelson, one of several

officers who spoke out with complaints against recently resigned Chief Ryan Lee, was on the schedule to speak at a conference in Tennessee put on by American Renaissance under the pseudonym Daniel Vineyard. He describes himself as a “race realist” police officer who retired in a mid-size city.

Authorities investigating the stabbing deaths of four University of Idaho students as they slept said Tuesday that detectives have looked extensively into information that one of the victims had a stalker and have not been able to verify it. Investigators have pursued hundreds of pieces of information about Kaylee Goncalves having a stalker but haven’t been able to identify one. The CSI student body government is organizing a candlelight vigil that will take place next Tuesday at 5:30 PM, below the Tower on the CSI campus.

A terminally ill man scheduled to be executed in mid-December for his role in the 1985 slayings of two gold prospectors in Idaho is asking a federal court to block the execution. Attorneys for 66-year-old Gerald Ross Pizzuto Jr. asked the court in documents filed Monday in U.S. District Court in Idaho for a preliminary injunction halting the state’s death warrant, issued last week.

Three judges in the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals heard arguments Tuesday in a case that will determine whether an injunction blocking Idaho’s transgender youth sports law can remain in place. The Idaho Attorney General’s office and attorneys from the Alliance Defending Freedom filed the appeal in September after U.S. District Court Chief Judge David C. Nye ruled the injunction was still valid.

On a facebook post, the Cassia County Sheriffs office said yesterday morning the Mini-Cassia Drug Task Force issued a search warrant at a home believed to be selling drugs to local residents, including children. Law enforcement seized \$13,000, firearms, a pound of marijuana and concentrated THC vape pens. The Task Force also seized cocaine, LSD and amphetamines. The exchange would often occur on social media and even on school property.

The state of Idaho will officially turn on the gem state's Christmas Tree lights Monday. On hand will be the 25th Army Band. The lights will go on at 6 pm.

Wednesday 113022

One of the 31 members of a white supremacist group arrested near an Idaho Pride event earlier this year has pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace. 27 year old Alexander N. Sisenstein of Midvale, Utah, pleaded guilty to the misdemeanor charge. 31 men were arrested June 11 after they were found packed into the back of a U-Haul truck with riot gear near the city park where a pride celebration was underway.

As the University of Idaho concludes a fall semester marred by tragedy, university officials are weighing their options for spring. And that might include expanded online offerings for students who are uneasy about being on campus. Before the holiday break, the U of I hopes to have a spring semester plan as police continue to investigate the slayings of four U of I students on Nov. 13. Idaho State Police Communications Director Aaron Snell said they are making substantial progress in the case. They have received more than 1,000 tips and more than 260 videos at last check.

Attorneys with the state of Idaho have asked a court to dismiss a lawsuit from the Satanic Temple over Idaho's abortion laws, saying the organization lacks standing to pursue the case and refuting its legal arguments. The group asked the court to block the laws, claiming the laws are unconstitutional violations of property rights and religious freedom.

Scott Howard Homes of Kimberly is facing multiple felony charges of Video Voyeurism in Twin Falls County. The 54 year old is accused of secretly hiding a camera in a home to video a minor girl. He is suspected of burglarizing the home and leaving a space heater where he had installed a video camera. Police

report they later found 90 videos on the suspect's cellphone that were taken inside the home including video of an unclothed minor girl court records say.

U.S. senators from both parties expressed skepticism that a proposed merger between grocery giants Kroger and Albertsons would result in lower prices for consumers. But the CEOs of Kroger and Albertsons insisted there will still be competition, and said a merger will help them counter growing rivals like Walmart, Costco and Amazon.

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Enjoy a night of poetry at the Twin Falls Public Library! Recite your favorite piece, or share your own! Readers will sign up at the event on a first-come, first-to-read basis. Time may be limited to 5 minutes per reader depending on attendance/participation. Oct 12 @ 6:30 PM at the Twin Falls Public Library

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OCTOBER 13TH - BUHL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK CLUB MONTHLY DISCUSSION

The Buhl Public Library will be having their monthly book club discussion on Thursday, October 13th beginning at 7pm. This month they'll be talking about "The Accursed" by Joyce Carol Oats. Everyone is free to attend, even if you didn't read the book... or if you read it but didn't like it. Light refreshments provided. For more information, contact the Buhl Public Library.

OCTOBER 15TH - HAILEY FIRE & RESCUE 5 ALARM CHILI COOK OFF AT THE HAILEY MUSEUM

The Hailey Fire Department and The Chamber presents the 2nd annual 5 Alarm Chili Cook-Off.. The event will be held Saturday, October 15th on Main and Silver street in Hailey, Idaho from 2

PM to 5 PM. Performances by the Kim Stocking Band, Spike Coggins and more. There will be a chilly tasting, drinks, kids activities, and prizes for participants. If you would like to participate please contact the Hailey chamber at 2087883484.

OCTOBER 15TH - MINI-CASSIA CRAFT FAIR AT OREGON TRAIL RECREATION CENTER

The Mini-Cassia Craft fair is happening at the Oregon Trail Rec Center in Burley on Saturday, October 15th from 9am to 4pm. They'll have over a hundred vendors, and a wide variety of handmade goods, from treats and home decor to body care products, accessories and leather goods. Join for a day of shopping, fun and food! It's a great opportunity to come and support local businesses! The cost for entry is \$4 per person.

OCTOBER 17TH - JEROME COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING PUBLIC HEARING

On Monday, October 17th the Jerome County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing to take comment on TEXT AMENDMENTS being proposed to the Jerome County Zoning Ordinance, Chapters 5, 6, 2, 13, and 18. The proposed amendments to Chapter 5 will remove the IMP column from the Charts and add or correct the uses Transmission Towers, Utility Buildings and Structures; Lodging, Residency and Transient. The proposed amendments to Chapters 6 and 2 are to support the changes in Chapter 5 and to amend the variance section. The proposed amendments to Chapter 13 are to add a fair disclosure and waiver of nuisance statement, add uses to the applicability section, and to provide clarification as well as correct typographical errors. The proposed amendment to Chapter 18 is to update authority and update the format and text to conform with the rest of the Ordinance.

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On Wednesday, October 26th dress the kids up in their Halloween costumes and take them down to the Buhl Public Library for their Halloween Costume Story Time and Part beginning at 10am! For more information, contact the Buhl Public Library.

OCTOBER 27TH - BUHL PUBLIC LIBRARY - TEEN ONLY HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY

The Buhl Public Library will be hosting a teen's only Halloween Costume Party on October 27th from 7pm to 9pm. Have your teens come dressed in costume for prizes, plus there'll be fun games and refreshments. For more information, contact the Buhl Public Library.

OCTOBER 29TH - BURLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY HALLOWEEN PARTY / SWEET ESCAPES TRUNK OR TREAT

Dress your kiddo's in their Halloween costumes and take them to the Burley Public Library's Halloween Party and Story Time from 10am till 2pm! It's fun, free and family friendly! For more information go to www.bplibrary.org and click on the events tab.

Sweet Escapes Trunk or Treat in Burley, Celebrate Halloween Early at their Annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 29th from 4pm-6pm at the salon located at 204 Overland Ave in Burley. Stop on by for Fun Trunks, Tricks and Treats

OCTOBER 29TH - TRUNK OR TREATS AT BUHL BOYS & GIRLS CLUB / FILER - MAIN STREET

Buhl Boys and Girls Club 2nd Annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 29th from 6p to 8p. They will have food vendors, music, dirt cups, hot cocoa, and a STEM trailer with Halloween Activities!

Join the Filer Events Committee and the City of Filer at this years Main Street Trunk or Treat!

The event will be held from 6-8 p.m. Dozens of local businesses including food trucks and other vendors will line the street to give tricks and treats to everyone Interested in participating as a vendor? Visit www.FilerEventsCommittee.com!

OCTOBER 29TH - TRICK OR TREAT MAINSTREET IN DOWNTOWN TWIN FALLS

The downtown Twin Falls Trick or Treat Main Street will be held Saturday October 29th, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The loop extends from Fairfield St. to Jerome St. on Main Avenue. As always, we ask that everyone follow the arrows to keep traffic flowing smoothly. If anyone out of the downtown area would like to join us, or for general updates please follow the Trick or

Treat Main Street Twin Falls Idaho Facebook page. You can also call Susan at Susan's Antiques, 208-735-1105.

OCTOBER 29TH - HALLOWEEN COSTUME BOWLING FUNDRAISER

Tired of nothing for Adults to do Halloween weekends! Then come to the first annual Twin Falls USBC youth fundraising event, on Saturday, October 29th from 6pm to 10pm at the Bowladrome in Twin Falls. 3 games of Dutch doubles. Prize for Team with best Costumes. Raffle Prizes. Music, food, drinks and fun.

OCTOBER 31ST - TRUNK OR TREAT LIST

****The Trunk or Treat is Back at Fabri-Kal** and will be on Halloween night (Monday, October 31st) from 4 to 6pm. It's free & open to the public. If your business is interested in being part of this terrific event please call Fabri-Kal 208-677-1406

****The City of Jerome** and area businesses will be hosting a Trunk or Treat on Monday, October 31st down Main Street. Bring the kiddo's down for safe trick or treating from 5p to 7p!

****Middlekauff Trunk or Treat in Twin Falls** - On Monday, October 31st Middlekauff will host their Annual Trunk or Treat at their dealership from 2pm till 6pm. Bring the family, show off your costume, check out the great trunks and get candy!!! It's a free event and open to all!!!!

****Big Dawg & Friends 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat** at Everise at 851 Pole Line Road in Twin Falls from 4p to 7p. For kids of All Ages!

****4th Annual End of the Line Trunk or Treat in Buhl.** Local businesses, clubs, and individuals come together to provide a fun and safe place for you and your family to Trunk or Treat on Monday, October 31st from 3pm to 6pm! Come play some games and gather some goodies! Join us at The End of the Line in the West Lot of Train Station Pizza in Buhl from 3pm to 6pm.

****Rupert Harvest Haunt Trunk or Treat on the Rupert Square.** Kicks off at 5pm with free family activities, laser tag, music, food trucks, candy cannon's and more! Bring the kiddo's down for family friendly Halloween Fun at the Rupert Square!

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NOW THRU JAN 31ST - RUPERT ELKS LODGE - VETERANS LEATHER PROGRAM

It's hunting season here in Idaho, and you've tagged your big game and don't know what to do with your deer or elk hide? You can drop your hides off at the Rupert Elks at 85 South 200 West in Rupert until January 31st, 2023. The hides are tanned and the leather is donated to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks - Veterans Leather Program. The Veterans Leather Program relies on the charity of hunters across the nation to donate hides so they can be turned into leather used for therapy programs for recovering veterans. Leather is also used to provide professionally-crafted gloves for veterans in wheelchairs, which are distributed at veterans adaptive sports clinics and gatherings throughout the country. Before you drop off

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Join St. Edwards Catholic School PTO in the parking lot behind the school, located at 136 6th Ave East in Twin Falls, for a fun evening of games, food and fun! Enter your two-person team (kids contest also!) and toss those beanbags towards Victory! \$100 per team to enter, \$25 for kids teams, Winners awarded cash and other prizes! Don't play? Bet on your favorite team for a cut of the winnings! Board Sponsorships available! Register your team at the school office, by emailing desireevisser1@gmail.com or by calling (208) 734-3872!

OCTOBER 21ST - CITY OF JEROME FIRE DEPARTMENT - COATS FOR KIDS FUNDRAISER

This Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. the Jerome City Firefighters are partnering with Idaho Central Credit Union and Valley Wide Country Store to raise money to purchase new coats. These new coats will be given to Jerome kids to help make sure that they keep warm this winter. Additional donations can be dropped off at Jerome City Fire Department or any ICCU. Their goal is to raise \$20,000.00 to provide 1,000 new coats to kids throughout the valley who are in need. Coats will be given out Saturday Nov. 12th at Fire Station 2, 110 W. Yakima from 10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. or until the coats are gone.

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The Twin Falls Public Library wants to give your child an opportunity to be creative, playful, industrious, and yeah... a little bit destructive, with their Frankentoys program happening this Saturday from 10am till 2pm at the library. Think Sid from Toy Story if he had a little more parental supervision and a little less rage. Kids are encouraged to bring any old toys they may want to tear apart to make new creations. Children will be using tools in this program, so caregiver involvement is required. For more information, visit the Twin Falls Public Library Facebook page!

OCTOBER 23RD - KELLY BUTLER DART TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

This Sunday, October 23rd there will be a dart tournament fundraiser for Kelly Butler at Anita's Buck n' Bar in Kimberly. Kelly recently encountered some medical issues that left her unable to work right away and the bills are piling up. So Kelly's friends and team mates are holding a dart tournament to raise money to help Kelly pay her bills. The tournament will be at Anita's Buck n' Bar in Kimberly this Sunday, tournament buy in is \$10 and will be at 1pm with the tournament beginning at 2pm. They'll also have raffles, a 50/50 and more. If you'd like to make a donation for the raffle or otherwise, items can be dropped off at Anita's Buck n' Bar, or contact Terri Heath at 208-969-1303.

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OCTOBER 28TH - SNAKE RIVER ELKS LODGE - FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER AND DANCING

The Snake River Elks Lodge offers dinner & live country music dancing every Friday evening. Dinner features your choice of entree and is usually priced under \$20/plate. Served between 6-8pm. 7-10pm features live country music & dancing by The Shadows Band. The public is welcome at this event. The Snake River Elks Lodge is located at 412 East 200 South, just off HWY 93 in Jerome.

NOVEMBER 5TH - ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S ANNUAL HARVEST DINNER

St. Nicholas Catholic Women are inviting everyone to their Annual Harvest Dinner happening on Saturday, November 5th, at the church in Rupert from 5pm to 8pm. They'll serve a traditional turkey dinner with dessert, they'll also have a gift shop with homemade items for sale, gift baskets and a raffle! Tickets are \$15 for adults, Kids ages 6 to 12 are \$5 and kids under 6 eat for free.

NOVEMBER 5TH - CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH BAZAAR IN SHOSHONE

Christ Episcopal Church in Shoshone will be having a Holiday Bazaar at the church located at 104 West B Street coming up on Saturday, November 5th! They'll have baked goods, crafts and

homemade items for sale just in time for holiday gift giving. They'll also be selling raffle tickets for a Quilted Tree Skirt and Chocolate Basket -- Tickets can be purchased at the bazaar - 1 ticket \$5 or 6 for \$20; and enjoy a Soup and Pie Lunch from 11:30a to 1:30p for dine in or take out.

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The Gooding Festival of Trees will be coming up November 17th through November 19th at the Hummingbird House located at 125 7th Ave W in Gooding. The festival will kick off on Wednesday, November 16th with their FREE Open House from 8am to 8pm. Thursday, November 17th is Family Night, which is also free, and that will go from 5pm to 8pm.

Enjoy the beautiful trees and time with friends as you prepare for the holidays with the Flannel Ladies Luncheon on Friday, November 18th from Noon till 2p; tickets are \$35 each includes soup, salad, sandwich, dessert, and beverage along with holiday entertainment.

Then on Saturday, November 19th dress in your holiday best and attend the Frosted Gala that will be at the Hummingbird House beginning at 5:30pm. Tickets are \$45 each. Begin your holiday shopping while benefiting Gooding Schools. Trees will be available at the live auction. Other holiday items will be available through silent auction. Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased at the Hummingbird House. For more information and to purchase your tickets Call (208) 358-2409 to Get Tickets!

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Learn about food preservation with the Twin Falls Public Library! Special guest Grace Wittman from the University of Idaho Extension office will be there to teach the basics and answer your questions about canning and other food preservation techniques. Everyone will meet in the Twin Falls Public Library Program Room at 5:30 PM Wednesday, October 5th

OCTOBER 6TH - BURLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY - DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

The Burley Public Library hosts a bi-weekly Dungeons and Dragons night at the library every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month beginning at 5pm. Players must be at least 12 years old to play. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced player, you're invited to come and play! The next game night will be on Thursday evening, October 6th. For more information go to www.bplibrary.org and click on the events tab.

OCTOBER 7TH - IDAHO DEPT OF LABOR "SPOOKTACULAR" HIRING EVENT

The Idaho Department of Labor is hosting the Spooktacular Hiring Event on Friday October 7th from 1pm to 4pm at the Magic Valley Mall Center Court. Over 30 employers will be in attendance. Dress for success and bring copies of your resume!

OCTOBER 7TH & 8TH - 2022 FALL CRAFT & ARTISAN MARKET AT CALVARY CHAPEL IN BUHL

Calvary Chapel in Buhl will be hosting their 2022 Fall Craft & Artisan Market on Friday, October 7th and Saturday, October 8th at the chapel, at 1004 Burley Ave. in Buhl! Shop local artisan wares and crafts *plus* enjoy eats from local food vendors, the Salt & Light coffee bar, bake sale goodies and music. Proceeds benefit Calvary Chapel Buhl ministries.

OCTOBER 7TH - MINIDOKA COUNTY 4-H CARNIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS IN RUPERT

Everyone is invited to a 4-H Carnival on Friday, October 7 at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds from 5:00pm-7:00pm. In celebration of National 4-H Week, 4-H Teen Association members, are hosting a carnival to showcase the many 4-H projects available for youth. From shooting sports to fishing, from dogs to rabbits; 4-H has something for everyone. There is no cost to attend and youth will earn clover tokens to redeem for prizes. Snacks and drinks will be available to purchase. For more information contact Jeni Bywater, 4-H Program Coordinator, at (208)436-7184 or jbywater@uidaho.edu

OCTOBER 8TH - 8TH ANNUAL HOLLI MEMORIAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MOTORCYCLE RUN

Synergy Brotherhood Motorcycle Club will host their 8th Annual Holli Memorial Domestic Violence Motorcycle Run and Fundraiser on Saturday, October 8th. Registration will be at 10am at Kimberly City Park with kick stands up at 11am. The cost to ride is \$20 per person, they play poker hands, have a live and silent auction, along with a raffle, a 50/50 and food! All proceeds to benefit Voices Against Violence.

OCTOBER 8TH – BUHL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The Buhl Public Library will be having a book sale on Saturday, October 8th from 9am to 5pm. Visit the library for a sweet deal on books. Buy a bag of books for only \$5. Individual items are even less.

OCTOBER 8TH - OLD SETTLERS 104TH GET-TOGETHER WITH GARY SCHORZMAN

Ever wondered how we got here? As in, settling southern Idaho? You'll have a chance to learn more with local history buff Gary Schorzman during the Old Settlers 104th Get-Together happening on Saturday, October 8th at the Rupert Elks Lodge. It's a full day of learning all about our area's history and settlement; check in is at 11am, lunch at noon and Gary's power point presentation will begin at 12:30pm. Stick around for the roast beef dinner with all of the trimmings! Admission is \$15 per person, for more information contact Gary Schorzman at 208-312-1556.

OCTOBER 8TH - BURLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

It's that time of year for the Burley Fire Departments Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser at the Burley Fire Department, located at 1235 Miller Avenue. The Breakfast will be from 7am to 11am. The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 for a family of four.

OCTOBER 8TH - SAMARATAN'S PURSE - SUPERHERO AND PRINCESSES EVENT

Samaratan's Purse is hosting a Superhero and Princesses event on Saturday, October 8th from 2p to 4p at the Twin Falls Nazarene Gym, located at 1231 Washington Street N. The event is for kids of all ages and their princesses and superheroes will entertain everyone with games, dancing and live princess performances. There are a limited number of tickets available and the cost is \$20 per individual and includes activities, snacks and drinks. Get your child ticket at Jensen Jewelers, Magic Valley Foot and Ankle or by calling 208-358-0911. All proceeds to benefit Operation Christmas Child.

OCTOBER 12TH - OPEN MIC NIGHT AT THE TWIN FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Enjoy a night of poetry at the Twin Falls Public Library! Recite your favorite piece, or share your own! Readers will sign up at the event on a first-come, first-to-read basis. Time may be limited to 5 minutes per reader depending on attendance/participation. Oct 12 @ 6:30 PM at the Twin Falls Public Library

OCTOBER 13TH - MINIDOKA REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING

The Minidoka Republican Central Committee will have their monthly meeting on Thursday, October 13th from 7pm to 8:30pm at the Minidoka County Courthouse. The meeting is open to the public and everyone is invited to attend.

OCTOBER 13TH - BUHL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK CLUB MONTHLY DISCUSSION

The Buhl Public Library will be having their monthly book club discussion on Thursday, October 13th beginning at 7pm. This month they'll be talking about "The Accursed" by Joyce Carol Oats. Everyone is free to attend, even if you didn't read the book... or if you read it but didn't like it. Light refreshments provided. For more information, contact the Buhl Public Library.

OCTOBER 15TH - HAILEY FIRE & RESCUE 5 ALARM CHILI COOK OFF AT THE HAILEY MUSEUM

The Hailey Fire Department and The Chamber presents the 2nd annual 5 Alarm Chill Cook-Off.. The event will be held Saturday, October 15th on Main and Silver street in Hailey, Idaho from 2 PM to 5 PM. Performances by the Kim Stocking Band, Spike Coggins and more. There will be a chilly tasting, drinks, kids activities, and prizes for participants. If you would like to participate please contact the Hailey chamber at 2087883484.

OCTOBER 15TH - MINI-CASSIA CRAFT FAIR AT OREGON TRAIL RECREATION CENTER

The Mini-Cassia Craft fair is happening at the Oregon Trail Rec Center in Burley on Saturday, October 15th from 9am to 4pm. They'll have over a hundred vendors, and a wide variety of handmade goods, from treats and home decor to body care products, accessories and leather goods. Join for a day of shopping, fun and food! It's a great opportunity to come and support local businesses! The cost for entry is \$4 per person.

OCTOBER 17TH - JEROME COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING PUBLIC HEARING

On Monday, October 17th the Jerome County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing to take comment on TEXT AMENDMENTS being proposed to the Jerome County Zoning Ordinance, Chapters 5, 6, 2, 13, and 18. The proposed amendments to Chapter 5 will remove the IMP column from the Charts and add or correct the uses Transmission Towers, Utility Buildings and Structures; Lodging, Residency and Transient. The proposed amendments to Chapters 6 and 2 are to support the changes in Chapter 5 and to amend the variance section. The proposed amendments to Chapter 13 are to add a fair disclosure and waiver of nuisance statement, add uses to the applicability section, and to provide clarification as well as correct typographical errors. The proposed amendment to Chapter 18 is to update authority and update the format and text to conform with the rest of the Ordinance.

The hearing will be held at 6:00 pm in the Jack Nelsen Conference Room of the Jerome County Courthouse, 300 North Lincoln, Room 306, Jerome, Idaho.

OCTOBER 19TH - JEROME CIVIC CLUB - MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT AT JEROME LIBRARY

The Jerome Civic Club invites the public to Meet the Candidates running for state office from district 26. The event will be held at the Jerome Public Library on Wednesday evening, October 19th from 7pm to 9pm. District 26 has changed, they now include Blaine, Shoshone and Jerome counties. You will be encouraged to write a question/question on a card and the moderator will then ask the candidate or candidates to answer your question. At the end of the evening, you will be able to visit with the candidates on a one on one. This is open to the public with no charge and encourage you, your friends and family to joins us to learn about the candidates the we send to Boise.

OCTOBER 20TH - NATIONAL JOURNALIST ALEX NEWMAN SPEAKS ON "THE GREAT RESET"

Join Alex Newman, nationally renowned journalist and speaker, as he presents information on the Great Reset in Twin Falls on Thursday October 20th at 7 PM (CSI Taylor Building Room 276). The public is welcome. Tickets are \$5.00 at the door. Mr. Newman is famous for presenting timely information in a powerful and effectual way. If you have been wondering what the Great

Reset is all about, or why you should be concerned about it, or have any questions that you need answered about the Great Reset, this event is for you.

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OCTOBER 20TH - BUHL PUBLIC LIBRARY ADULT GAME NIGHT

On Thursday, October 20th the Buhl Public Library will be holding an adults only board and card game night from 6pm to 8pm. For more information, contact the Buhl Public Library

OCTOBER 20TH THRU 22ND - ANNUAL POMERELLE SKI PATROL SKI SWAP

Gather up all of your ski and snowboard equipment that you no longer use and sell them through consignment at the Annual Pomerelle Ski Patrol Ski Swap presented by Idaho Water Sports and Barry's Ski & Sports happening October 20th thru the 22nd at Idaho Water Sports in the Pinetree Plaze in Burley. Drop off your equipment (Boots, Bindings, Boards, Ski's and winter apparel) at Idaho Water Sports between October 17th and the 19th. This is a sale that you don't want to miss if you're in the market for new and gently used equipment for the upcoming winter season! All proceeds to benefit the Pomerelle Ski Patrol. For more information see the folks at Idaho Water Sports, or go online to www.idahowatersports.com

OCTOBER 22ND - VALLEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH HARVEST DINNER IN Twin Falls

Valley Christian Church Youth Group is hosting their 2nd annual Harvest Dinner Oct 22nd. The dinner will be from 5pm to 7pm at Valley Christian Church, located at 1708 Heyburn Ave East in Twin Falls. All proceeds will go to the youth to attend a mission trip to Alaska.

OCTOBER 26TH - BUHL PUBLIC LIBRARY HALLOWEEN PARTY & STORY TIME

On Wednesday, October 26th dress the kids up in their Halloween costumes and take them down to the Buhl Public Library for their Halloween Costume Story Time and Part beginning at 10am! For more information, contact the Buhl Public Library.

OCTOBER 27TH - BUHL PUBLIC LIBRARY - TEEN ONLY HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY

The Buhl Public Library will be hosting a teen's only Halloween Costume Party on October 27th from 7pm to 9pm. Have your teens come dressed in costume for prizes, plus there'll be fun games and refreshments. For more information, contact the Buhl Public Library.

OCTOBER 29TH - BURLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY HALLOWEEN PARTY / SWEET ESCAPES TRUNK OR TREAT

Dress your kiddo's in their Halloween costumes and take them to the Burley Public Library's Halloween Party and Story Time from 10am till 2pm! It's fun, free and family friendly! For more information go to www.bplibrary.org and click on the events tab.

Sweet Escapes Trunk or Treat in Burley, Celebrate Halloween Early at their Annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 29th from 4pm-6pm at the salon located at 204 Overland Ave in Burley. Stop on by for Fun Trunks, Tricks and Treats

OCTOBER 29TH - TRUNK OR TREATS AT BUHL BOYS & GIRLS CLUB / FILER - MAIN STREET

Buhl Boys and Girls Club 2nd Annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 29th from 6p to 8p. They will have food vendors, music, dirt cups, hot cocoa, and a STEM trailer with Halloween Activities!

Join the Filer Events Committee and the City of Filer at this years Main Street Trunk or Treat!

The event will be held from 6-8 p.m. Dozens of local businesses including food trucks and other vendors will line the street to give tricks and treats to everyone Interested in participating as a vendor? Visit www.FilerEventsCommittee.com!

OCTOBER 29TH - TRICK OR TREAT MAINSTREET IN DOWNTOWN TWIN FALLS

The downtown Twin Falls Trick or Treat Main Street will be held Saturday October 29th, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The loop extends from Fairfield St. to Jerome St. on Main Avenue. As always, we ask that everyone follow the arrows to keep traffic flowing smoothly. If anyone out of the downtown area would like to join us, or for general updates please follow the Trick or Treat Main Street Twin Falls Idaho Facebook page. You can also call Susan at Susan's Antiques, 208-735-1105.

OCTOBER 29TH - HALLOWEEN COSTUME BOWLING FUNDRAISER

Tired of nothing for Adults to do Halloween weekends! Then come to the first annual Twin Falls USBC youth fundraising event, on Saturday, October 29th from 6pm to 10pm at the Bowladrome in Twin Falls. 3 games of Dutch doubles. Prize for Team with best Costumes. Raffle Prizes. Music, food, drinks and fun.

OCTOBER 31ST - TRUNK OR TREAT LIST

****The Trunk or Treat is Back at Fabri-Kal** and will be on Halloween night (Monday, October 31st) from 4 to 6pm. It's free & open to the public. If your business is interested in being part of this terrific event please call Fabri-Kal 208-677-1406

****The City of Jerome** and area businesses will be hosting a Trunk or Treat on Monday, October 31st down Main Street. Bring the kiddo's down for safe trick or treating from 5p to 7p!

****Middlekauff Trunk or Treat in Twin Falls** - On Monday, October 31th Middlekauff will host their Annual Trunk or Treat at their dealership from 2pm till 6pm. Bring the family, show off your costume, check out the great trunks and get candy!!! It's a free event and open to all!!!!

****Big Dawg & Friends 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat** at Everise at 851 Pole Line Road in Twin Falls from 4p to 7p. For kids of All Ages!

****4th Annual End of the Line Trunk or Treat in Buhl.** Local businesses, clubs, and individuals come together to provide a fun and safe place for you and your family to Trunk or Treat on Monday, October 31st from 3pm to 6pm! Come play some games and gather some goodies! Join us at The End of the Line in the West Lot of Train Station Pizza in Buhl from 3pm to 6pm.

****Rupert Harvest Haunt Trunk or Treat on the Rupert Square.** Kicks off at 5pm with free family activities, laser tag, music, food trucks, candy cannon's and more! Bring the kiddo's down for family friendly Halloween Fun at the Rupert Square!

NOVEMBER 10TH - COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO VETERANS HIRING EVENT

The Idaho Department of Labor, along with the College of Southern Idaho, Equus and Southern Idaho Economic Development will have a Veterans Hiring Event on November 10th from 11am till 2pm in the Canyon Building on the CSI Campus. If you're a veteran and are looking for employment, or searching for a new career opportunity, this one is for you! Employers will be

interviewing on the spot, so be sure to bring copies of your resume. For more information log on to www.workforce.csi.edu

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NOVEMBER 5TH - ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S ANNUAL HARVEST DINNER

St. Nicholas Catholic Women are inviting everyone to their Annual Harvest Dinner happening on Saturday, November 5th, at the church in Rupert from 5pm to 8pm. They'll serve a traditional turkey dinner with dessert, they'll also have a gift shop with homemade items for sale, gift

baskets and a raffle! Tickets are \$15 for adults, Kids ages 6 to 12 are \$5 and kids under 6 eat for free.

NOVEMBER 5TH - CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH BAZAAR IN SHOSHONE

Christ Episcopal Church in Shoshone will be having a Holiday Bazaar at the church located at 104 West B Street coming up on Saturday, November 5th! They'll have baked goods, crafts and homemade items for sale just in time for holiday gift giving. They'll also be selling raffle tickets for a Quilted Tree Skirt and Chocolate Basket -- Tickets can be purchased at the bazaar - 1 ticket \$5 or 6 for \$20; and enjoy a Soup and Pie Lunch from 11:30a to 1:30p for dine in or take out.

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Enjoy the beautiful trees and time with friends as you prepare for the holidays with the Flannel Ladies Luncheon on Friday, November 18th from Noon till 2p; tickets are \$35 each includes soup, salad, sandwich, dessert, and beverage along with holiday entertainment.

Then on Saturday, November 19th dress in your holiday best and attend the Frosted Gala that will be at the Hummingbird House beginning at 5:30pm. Tickets are \$45 each. Begin your holiday shopping while benefiting Gooding Schools. Trees will be available at the live auction. Other holiday items will be available through silent auction. Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased at the Hummingbird House. For more information and to purchase your tickets Call (208) 358-2409 to Get Tickets!

DECEMBER 20TH - VALLEY HOUSE - ADOPT A FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS

The Valley House Shelter in Twin Falls is looking for supporters to adopt families or a single person at the shelter for Christmas. If you would like to adopt a family or learn more about the process email Kim at valleyhouse.kim@gmail.com or call 208-734-7736.

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NOVEMBER 8TH - NOVEMBER 19TH - ELKS LODGE TURKEY DRIVE TO BENEFIT CHARITIES

Elks Lodge members from Gooding, Jerome and Rupert are teaming up for a turkey drive to benefit area charities to make sure everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving Dinner. Beginning Tuesday, November 8th through Thursday, November 17th the lodges will be accepting turkey donations.

In Gooding, they'll have their trailer at 200 2nd Ave. West in Gooding this week and next week on Tuesday and Saturday and you can drop off your turkey donations between Noon and 3pm.

In Jerome, you'll be able to drop off your turkey donations at the lodge at 412 East 200 South beginning Tuesday, November 8th through Saturday November 19th between 4pm and 8pm.

And in Rupert, you can drop off your turkey donations at the Rupert Elks Lodge at 85 South 200 West from Tuesday, November 8th through Thursday, November 17th between 11AM and 6PM.

NOVEMBER 9TH - 12TH - BURLEY HIGH SCHOOL THEATER PRESENTS "THE BAD SEED"

Burley High School Theatre presents "The Bad Seed" this week beginning the 9th and running nightly through the 12th at the Burley Little Theatre. Tickets available at the door. Directed by Lance Jones. Burley High Drama Teacher & Coach.

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NOVEMBER 11TH - GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH VETERANS CHILI FEED AND COOK OFF

Do you love making chili? Bless our veterans AND get the chance to win cash prizes during the Grace Community Church Veterans Chili Feed and Cook off this Friday at the church in Rupert beginning at 11:30AM. You have to sign up in order to be considered for cash prizes, to sign up go to graceid.org

NOVEMBER 13TH - CSI CHEER TEAM - FATHER DAUGHTER BALL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS

The CSI Cheer Team is hosting a wonderful Father and Daughter Ball at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds on Sunday, November 13th from 5PM to 7PM. Father and Daughter duos of all ages are welcome to attend to show support for the CSI Cheer team! Tickets are \$30 for the father/daughter duo, and you can bring additional daughters for \$10 more! Purchase tickets by emailing rmabbott@csi.edu/DMing, you can also purchase tickets from a CSI cheerleader, or paying at the door!

NOVEMBER 13TH - RUPERT ELKS LODGE - ANNUAL VETERANS BRUNCH

The Rupert Elks Lodge will be hosting their Annual Veterans Brunch on Sunday, November 13th at the lodge located at 85 South 200 West in Rupert. Doors open at 9:30, Colors will be posted by the Mini-Cassia Veterans at 10am and the brunch will begin directly after. All Veterans,

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NOVEMBER 18TH - FILER RURAL FIRE DISTRICT - TURKEY BINGO

The Filer Rural Fire District and Operation Secret Santa are hosting Turkey Bingo on Friday, November 18th beginning at 5:30PM! They'll kick things off with a chili feed, with bingo starting at 7 p.m. All proceeds benefit Veterans and Americanism Programs. PLUS... if you bring in two cans of food, the Filer American Legion will give you a FREE bingo card for the first FOUR games! ** Additional cards are 50 cents. ** Food donations will benefit Operation Secret Santa.

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On Wednesday, November 23rd - the Burley Senior Center will host their Annual Free Thanksgiving Dinner from 4:30PM to 7:30PM. The meal is free, but they will gladly accept at will

donations. They will also be giving away free children's coats, and children's undergarments on a first come, first serve basis and the child must be present. For more information, contact Jack Zarybnisky (Zar-ben-in-sky) at 208-678-2812

NOVEMBER 24TH - RUPERT ELKS LODGE ANNUAL FREE THANKSGIVING DINNER

The Rupert Elks Lodge will be hosting their Annual Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 24th from 11am to 3pm at the lodge located at 85 South 200 West in Rupert. They will also be offering drive through and delivery options as well, if you'd like to sign up for delivery or drive through, you MUST have your order in to the lodge by Thursday, November 17th. The dinner is free, but goodwill donations are gladly accepted. For more information and to make your delivery requests, call the lodge at 208-436-6852 or Scott Torix at 208-431-0937

NOVEMBER 25TH - RUPERT CHRISTMAS LIGHTING FIREWORKS AND CHILI FEED

Friday, November 25th is the Annual Rupert Christmas Lighting Fireworks and Chili Feed presented by the Rupert 4th of July Committee. The festivities kick off at 5PM at the Rupert Square; the Rupert Fire Department will escort Santa to the event around 7pm, where kids and meet him, then the fireworks show will follow directly after. So make sure you dress warm and join in the festivities at the Rupert Square for the Christmas Lighting Fireworks and Chili Feed on Friday, November 25th from 5PM to 9PM

NOVEMBER 26TH - WILSON YOUTH SYMPHONY CHORUS CONCERT

The Historic Wilson Theater will be hosting their Wilson Youth Symphony Chorus Concert on Saturday, November 26th at the theater on the Square in Rupert. Donations will be taken at the door for admission. For more details, call Kris Faux at the Historic Wilson Theater - 208-436-2787, or go online to www.historicwilsontheatre.com

DECEMBER 1ST & 2ND - LIVE NATIVITY AT GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH IN RUPERT

Watch the story of Christmas come to life with Grace Community Church in Rupert and their annual Live Nativity performances on Thursday, December 1st and Friday, December 2nd from 6pm to 8pm both nights. Follow Mary and Joseph to the bustling city of Bethlehem as they look for lodgings and avoid capture by the evil King Herod and his informants. Stay warm in your vehicle as you watch the reason for the season unfold before your eyes! Grace Community Church is located at 100 North Meridian in Rupert

DECEMBER 3RD - SHOSHONE CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING & FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS PARADE

Shoshone will host their Festival of Light Parade and Christmas Tree Lighting on Saturday, Dec 3rd at the corner of South Rail Street East and South Apple Street near the Train Platform next to Shoshone City Hall. The parade starts at 6:00 pm and tree lighting follows the parade. Free

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This Thursday, the 8th beginning at 6:30pm, the Shoshone Public Library will host an Internet Safety Seminar presented by Sergeant Sam Kuoha of the Rupert Police Department Due to the subject matter it is not recommended that anyone under the age of 18 attend this seminar. The Shoshone Public Library is located at 211 South Rail Street West in Shoshone.

DECEMBER 9TH - FIRST FEDERAL FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS PARADE IN DOWNTOWN TWIN

This Friday night take in the holiday spirit with the Festival of Lights Parade in downtown Twin Falls beginning at 6pm! The parade route is on Main Ave. from Idaho Street to Jerome Street. The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will follow directly after the parade at the Commons across from the City Hall.

DECEMBER 9TH & 10TH – MINICO CHOIR ANNUAL MADRIGAL DINNER

This Friday and Saturday Minico High School Choir will host two nights of food, festivities and song with their annual Madrigal Dinner! Eat dinner at the castle with the Lord, Lady, and Jester of Minidoka. Sword fights, songs, pageantry, friends, and more music are the perfect way to kick off the holiday season while supporting the Minico Choirs. Tickets are \$24 and must be purchased in advance. Text 208-430-6438 for tickets. You will be glad that you did!

DECEMBER 10TH – TWIN FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY'S – STORIES WITH SANTA

Stop by the Twin Falls Public Library this Saturday between 11am and 1pm for a story walk through the library, lots of Christmas activities, and the opportunity to meet Santa!

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The traditional holiday ballet, "The Nutcracker" will be performed this Friday at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at the King Fine Arts Center in Burley. "The Nutcracker" is produced by students of Centre Stage Studios of Dance and is directed by Jennifer Sager and Melissa Lynch. This will be the 34th performance of this holiday favorite. Also appearing will be professional ballet dancers in the roles of Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier. All proceeds go towards scholarships for the arts and back into the production for scenery and costumes. Tickets will be available online and at the door. \$16 General Admission and \$18 and \$20 for reserved seating.

DECEMBER 11TH – LIGHT FROM DARKNESS – A WINTER CHORAL CONCERT AT CSI

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Step back in time and experience the joy of the Christmas season at the Victorian Christmas Open House at the historic Stricker Ranch this Sunday from 2pm to 5pm! Join Friends of Stricker as they celebrate Christmas! The Stricker house will be decorated for Christmas as it was in years gone by, and volunteers will be dressed in period costumes. There will be beautiful music from the Twin Falls Magichords, and refreshments will be served. The Stricker Ranch is located at 3715 East 3200 North in Hansen.

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DECEMBER 24TH & 25TH - CHRISTMAS AT GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH IN RUPERT

Join Grace Community Church in Rupert as they celebrate the birth of Jesus and the true meaning of Christmas. They will have 2 services - one Christmas Eve and one Christmas Day - each one hour in length. Please bring your family and friends!

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JANUARY 5TH – ADULTING 101 FOR TEENS: BASIC SEWING & CLOTHING REPAIR

Hey Tweens and Teens, got clothes that you love and want to learn how to repair? Then head over to the Twin Falls Public Library on Thursday evening, January 5th from 6pm to 7p for their Adulting 101 Class on Basic Sewing and Clothing Repair! The class is open for teens in 6th – 12th grade; join the Twin Falls Public Library to learn some important life skills! KZ from Twin Falls Sewing Center will teach us the basics of sewing and clothing repair.

JANUARY 7TH – WATER COLOR CLASS WITH SUMMER ROBINSON AT THE WILSON THEATRE

Learn the art of water color painting with Summer Robinson at the Wilson TheatRE coming up this Saturday beginning at 10am! Tickets are \$30 each and include the supplies you'll need. Class space is limited, for tickets go to www.historicwilsontheatre.com

JANUARY 12TH & 14TH – OVATION PERFORMING ARTS PRESENT'S "NEWSIES JR"

The talented young performers of Ovation Performing Arts present Newsies Jr, with shows January 12th and the 14th at the Orpheum Theater in Twin Falls. This musical classic is tailored for younger voices. Newsies JR. is a timeless story full of spirit and heart. This is the perfect show to introduce young people to theatre for the first time, and a fun show for all to see! Performances on January 12th and 14th will be presented with ASL Interpreters present on the left section of the seating map. For more information and for tickets contact the Orpheum Theater.

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JANUARY 21ST – COMEDY NIGHT WITH HEATH HARMISON AT THE WILSON THEATRE

Get ready for a side splitting comedy night at the Historic Wilson Theatre on Saturday night, January 21st featuring Heath Harmison and The Relationship Show! It's a fun night poking fun at the relationships we hold near and dear and all of the funny stuff that happens in between! Tickets available online at www.historicwilsontheatre.com

JANUARY 28TH – TWIN FALLS ROTARY PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT HANSEN ELEMENTARY

Join the Twin Falls Rotary for their annual Pancake Breakfast benefiting local schools. This year's event will benefit Hansen Elementary School on Saturday, January 28th from 7am to 11am as they raise funds to update their playground equipment!

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