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*"It's a smile, it's a kiss, it's a sip of wine ... it's summertime."  
- Kenny Chesney*

## MUSIC AT THE PAVILION



A large and appreciative audience takes in world-class music during one of many summer concerts on the lawn at the Sun Valley Pavilion. Photo credit: Nils Ribí



# Embracing the Hunt

BY TRISTAN HEAD

August arrives, and with it comes the chance to recalibrate our approach to packing and organization. Packing. Repacking. Organizing. Reorganizing. The art of arranging and rearranging, seeking the perfect equilibrium of weight distribution in our packs. The true reward materializes only if we've dedicated ourselves throughout the year, not only to fend off muscle fatigue but to delay its arrival. This concept may not resonate with everyone, yet I'm willing to bet a majority can relate. Following an extended winter, Idaho Fish and Game eliminated several proposed antlerless hunts in an attempt to curb population decline amongst ungulates. However, the summer of '23 brought cooler temperatures and increased levels of moisture, fostering tremendous growth amongst bucks and bulls for the second consecutive year.

During the summer months, our expeditions focus on scouting, pinpointing specific animals in areas abundant with lush foliage, revealing superhighways traveled by targeted animals; revealing a pattern heightening our odds of a successful harvest. As fall sets in, game seasons unfold across Idaho, encompassing an array of species from elk and black bears to forest grouse and migratory birds.

The onset of autumn beckons hunters from across the country who filter into Blaine County by hillsides shaped millions of years ago, drawn by the allure of landscapes and experiences which affected once visitors, to stake claim in the Wood River Valley. Olaus Murie, pioneer of elk management, conveyed the profound teachings rooted in quiet, attentive observations within the natural world. Few endeavors captivate an individual like the deliberate pursuit of prey, analyzing each and every motion, whether it be 50 yards or 500 yards away. The allure lies in the journey, not solely the harvest.

Amid the recent surge in the hunting industry, emergent hunters often seek ethical guidance through a plethora of digital platforms — forums, YouTube, podcasts, and other sources, yet when the pursuit leads them astray, how can it be corrected? Regrettably, too few influencers reveal the flawed rationale behind their choice(s), a vulnerability that requires candid discussions. Such discussions are essential, especially when many of these online individuals make the wrong choice, tarnishing the label of huntsman. In today's landscape, poaching has become distressingly common, spanning influencers to common citizens. It must be stopped. If you encounter anything you are suspicious of, please call the Citizens Against Poaching hotline at 1-800-632-5999. Making the call remains the prudent choice.

Encountering a fellow hunter might trigger apprehensions, feelings they may steal your chance at pursuit. Instead of avoiding the individual, engage in discourse to discuss your preferred path. The exchange can yield heightened success, granting each individual involved in a designated territory, free from competition for the same animal. Ultimately, our shared target is a rich experience. Let's foster an environment of mutual support, transcending rivalry.



Archers and rifle hunters alike are already preparing for upcoming deer and elk hunts in and around the Wood River Valley. Photo credit: Michael Kane

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# HISTORY OF ELECTRICITY IN BLAINE COUNTY



First electric plant at the base of Della Mountain, in Hailey. Photo courtesy: Blaine County Historical Museum

*Wood River Valley was becoming known as one of the most progressive regions within the Territory*

BY KAREN CROWSON

Tucked away in the Wood River Valley, the City of Hailey had been founded in 1881, during a time when electricity was making its debut throughout the 1880s and 1890s, which began changing the layout of society, just as today's smartphones have greatly impacted our society.

Prior to the 1880s, entrepreneurs and investors alike, throughout the Midwest, were able to harness the power generated from the creeks, streams, and rivers to turn water turbines and power electric generators.

All across the nation, cities were being wired for street cars and electrical lights and local city officials as well as business executives in the West began examining the potential electric power of the regions' canals, rivers, and streams, and in 1882 The Philadelphia Mining and Smelting Company installed the first electrical light plant in the Idaho Territory near Ketchum.

By 1883, Idaho's first commercial telephone system was installed in Hailey on October 1, and on May 20, 1887, the new electric light system was completed and activated. A waterwheel on the Big Wood River was installed and Hailey became the first municipality to produce electricity in the Idaho Territory and the Wood River Valley was becoming known as one of the most progressive regions within the Territory.

Water was diverted from the Big Wood River to the Trail Race Canal and began generating electricity, supplying 214 lamps in operation that evening. The cost for an all-night lamp was .10 cents per night, while 12 o'clock lamps were eight cents per day. The following day, 50 orders for lamps were put in and plans to install arc lights for street illumination began.

The site of the Idaho Electric Supply Company was on the southeast corner of Croy and Main Street, while electricity was generated at the end of West Silver Street at West Coast Power. The Swan Lamp and Brush Dynamo was used with a 38-horsepower capacity and a maximum of 350 lamps.

After the City of Hailey received electricity, Boise was next and on July 4, 1887, Boise received electricity.

The Statesman recorded, "Improvements come a little slow sometimes, but Boise 'gets there' in good shape and good time."

In 1888, the West Coast Power building was destroyed by fire and in 1889 Ervin W. Johnson became manager of the Hailey Electric Light Works. Johnson also managed the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Company and had served as postmaster of Bellevue from 1883-1885. Prior to managing the HELW, Johnson had married Miss Louise Crane in 1888 and had been the proprietor of the Alturas Hotel in Hailey.

By March of 1890, Hailey supplied 500 lamps and the local paper reported, "The electric and telephone companies are having considerable trouble with their wires and poles, the softening of the ground, causing many poles to incline from the perpendicular, disarranging the wires and not infrequently breaking them."

In 1894, Johnson left both the HELW and RMBTC. Johnson had been connected with the Modern Woodmen of the World, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias.

On April 4, 1900, the publication Electricity wrote of Hailey, "The water power of the Wood River is to be utilized to build an electric light plant here this spring."

On July 26, 1913, the Journal of Electricity, Power and Gas recorded, "Harry J. Allen recently returned from Chicago where it is reported he completed arrangements for the construction of an electric light plant in Hailey. The Beaver Falls Light and Power Company has promised to extend their lines to the town of Hailey, but so far have not done so, and this proposed plant is being considered on account of the failure of the Beaver Falls Company to supply service to the town."

On February 21, 1914, the publication Electrical World wrote, "The Hailey Electric Company has been incorporated by Fred W. Gooding of Shoshone, Frank R. Gooding of Gooding, and John R. Hart of

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# Electricity In Blaine County

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Hailey. The company is capitalized at \$45,000 and will take over what was formerly known as the Cramer Light and Power system.”

1916 is the year known for the formation of the Wood River Power Company, which took over both properties and businesses of the Hailey Electric Company in Hailey and the Rockwell-White Power Company in Bellevue.

On February 26, 1916, the Electrical Review and Western Electrician wrote, “Mr. John R. Hart has resigned as general manager of the Hailey (Idaho) Electric Company and has been succeeded by Mr. E.W. Rising, formerly connected with the Great Shoshone and Twin Falls Power Company of Twin Falls, Idaho.”

During 1916, the WRPC was incorporated with a capital of 2,750 shares at \$100 each and was incorporated by E.R. Rising, I.E. Rockwell, and L.R.W. Rockwell.

The WRPC served the communities of Carey, Picabo, Gannett, Ketchum, Hailey, Bellevue, and other surrounding areas without competition as well as owning two hydroelectric plants in Hailey and Bellevue. The total installed capacity of these plants were 1,000 kw with the transmission system connected to the Idaho Power Company in Shoshone.

The WRPC, with its office located in Hailey, had E.W. Rising as general manager, L.R.W. Rockwell as treasurer, Hazel George as secretary, J.J. Donovan as vice president, and I.E. Rockwell as president. Serving as directors were I.E. Rockwell, L.R. Rockwell, J.J. Donovan, Hazel George, and B.W. Oppenheim.

On November 20, Volume 69 of the Electrical Review and Western Electrician recorded, “Hailey, Idaho — The Idaho Exploration Company is planning the erection of a power plant to serve its Black Barb mines in the Kelly Gulch section.”

By 1920, a report was released by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Idaho, stating, “The two companies which were the predecessors of the Wood River Power Company had a rather difficult financial history, which resulted in receiverships and a considerable loss to the investors. The work of promoting and organizing the new company occupied approximately five years, and required almost constant work on the part of those responsible for the new organization. At the time the new company was formed and the properties of the old companies taken over by it, these properties were serving two separate and relatively small districts. They were without financial power either to render satisfactory service to the districts in which they were operating or to extend to other districts which needed service.”

The report continued, “The work of reorganization was done principally by Irvin E. Rockwell, president of the Wood River Power Company, and those associated with him, and was without remuneration.”

Elaine Myers, resident of Bagdad, Arizona, and a 1963 Hailey High School graduate born in 1945, says, “I can remember when the poles were put up on Glendale Road.

It was so exciting to flip a switch and have light instead of a kerosene lamp. We also drilled a well 500 feet to get water into the kitchen... didn't have a real bathroom until about 1950. It was so wonderful not to have to go to the outhouse! Lead pipes and all. Frank Scharff was the only plumber in the valley! Took many a bath in a galvanized wash tub in the middle of the kitchen floor. Idaho Power was our provider.”

Myers says she was raised on the first ranch after crossing the Wood River on Glendale Road where her father, Bill raised cattle and sheep. Myers' grandfather, Arthur Cloughton, had immigrated from Yorkshire, England, and homesteaded on Rock Creek west of Hailey, raising sheep and cattle.

“It is subdivided now (Glendale Road) into a nursery and businesses,” says Myers.

“My sister Thelma is married to Les Cameron and they live on what is left of the ranch now.”

Born in Bellevue in 1940, Elizabeth Patterson says, “I remember having electric power but it was one light hanging down from the ceiling, which was turned on with a string hanging from a little chain. We had one pipe bringing running water in the kitchen sink, but no indoor bathroom.”

By 1962, the Hailey-Ketchum transmission line was installed from Hagerman at the Idaho Power King substation to Ketchum at the Wood River substation via the Hailey transmission station and is 59 miles long, crossing 28.5 miles of public land managed by the Bureau of Land Management and is one of two lines serving the Wood River Valley. First operating at 46 kv, the 12.4-mile-long line from Hailey to Elkhorn and to Ketchum was later raised to 138 kv. Both of these lines were constructed with wooden frame structures.

In 1973, Idaho Power was granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a 50MW oil-and-gas -ueled generator in Hailey as well as a redundant transmission line from Hailey to Ketchum, but in 1995 Idaho Power requested the Public Utilities Commission withdraw the CPCN, stating the redundant line wasn't needed. The PUC withdrew the CPCN due to Idaho Power's findings of only three minutes of unplanned outages since 1980, showing the existing line to be reliable.

Outage records for the first 18 years of operation (1962–1980) cannot be provided, but from 1995–2017 only 10 outages were reported for the Hailey-Ketchum transmission line.

By 2016, Idaho Power stated a \$34 million rebuild of the aging line was necessary due to an inadequate and older conductor (wires) as well as announcing plans in installing a second line from the Wood River substation to Ketchum, serving as a redundant line and helping to minimize risks of outages as well as providing reliable service.

The Department of Environmental Agency stated there were 14 sage grouse leks within two miles of the Hailey-Ketchum line, but the BLM reported disturbance to grouse would be avoided as Idaho Power would conduct its activities in the area outside of lekking season.

In November of 2017, after having completed the southern portion of the line through Gooding and Camas counties, the northern portion in Blaine County was completed as well. The new line was created with steel structures compared to the wooden structures of the original line as well as larger wires.



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### NEWS

### BRIEFS

#### Cancer in Focus

Espn Chris "Boomer" Berman to interview inspiring six time cancer survivor and former college athlete Casey O'Brien

ESPN broadcaster and long-time KTM supporter Chris "Boomer" Berman will facilitate the panel discussion at this year's "Cancer in Focus" event, featuring inspirational former Minnesota Golden Gopher football player and six-time cancer survivor Casey O'Brien.



Espn Chris "Boomer" Berman

O'Brien, winner of the 2019 Disney Spirit Award for most inspiring college football player, won't be talking much about sports, not even golf. Instead, he'll discuss his battle with cancer, what motivates him, and what research has meant to him on his cancer journey.

Facilitated by Berman, a six-time honoree of the National Sports Media Association's National Sportscaster of the Year award, the "Cancer in Focus" conversation will also feature O'Brien's oncologist and cancer researcher Brenda Weigel, M.D., M.S., of the Masonic Cancer Center, University of Minnesota, and M Health Fairview Masonic Children's Hospital.

#### "Cancer in Focus"

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Casey O'Brien, six time cancer survivor and former college athlete

#### Book Around the Block!

Open House at The Community Library, Wood River Museum, and Gold Mine Stores

Celebrate the end of summer during the Library's annual open house with FREE fun for the whole family. Join us Wednesday, August 15 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. to Book Around the Block for literacy, history, shopping, community, and fun! Our theme this year: We all make history!

Says Director of Philanthropy Carter Hedberg, "We love having our annual open house. It's our chance to give something really special to the whole community in one big celebration. This year we're thrilled that the new Wood River Museum of History and Culture is a big part of the celebration. The Community Library Association is 68 years old and going strong. Book around the Block! is a way to explore all aspects of the organization ... and enjoy fun, free food, and festivities!"

#### BCRD Fall Youth Soccer

Blaine County Recreation District's Fall Youth Soccer league opens August 7th for registration, and I believe it would be of great interest to your audience. The league is an engaging program that emphasizes skill development, sportsmanship, and fun, catering to boys and girls from kindergarten through 6th grade.

#### Details:

- Season: September 11 - October 21.
- Fee: \$80 (includes instruction, jersey, participation award, and tax).
- Coaching: Volunteer coaches are essential. Registration fees are waived for coaches' children.

Full program details, coaching opportunities, and registration can be found at [www.bcrd.org](http://www.bcrd.org). Please find attached the press release and posters in both English and Spanish.

For teams looking for dryland training or to extend their own soccer season, this program can be an excellent supplement to their regular training.

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## NEWS

## Idaho's Dark Skies – Perseid Meteor Shower

The Hailey Public Library and Central Idaho Dark Sky Alliance will host 2023 Astronomer in Residence Dr. Joel Weisberg for a nighttime observing session on Saturday, August 12, from 9:30-11:30 p.m. Highlights include the Perseid Meteor Shower, deep sky objects, bright planets and spectacular summer constellations.

Dr. Weisberg will be joined by Boise State University's AstroTAC team, popular local astronomer Tim Frazier and friends, plus some cool telescopes.

"Peering into our dark night sky and seeing a distant spiral galaxy is a remarkably rare opportunity," commented Hailey Public Library programs and engagement manager Kristin Fletcher. "Simply looking up and learning to identify summer constellations with your naked eye is something many urban residents have never done. This is an opportunity for young and old to marvel at our gorgeous night sky."

Participants should meet at the Croy Canyon Motorized Trailhead, 3.1 miles west of Hailey. In case of weather-related issues, check the HPL website at [www.haileypubliclibrary.org](http://www.haileypubliclibrary.org) after 5 p.m.

To preserve night vision, headlights should be turned OFF when turning onto Trailhead Road and parking lights used instead. Dress warmly and bring extra layers, maybe a chair, a flashlight (preferably with a red filter) and telescope, binoculars or just your eyeballs!

For more information about this and other talks, call (208) 788-2036 or visit [www.haileypubliclibrary.org](http://www.haileypubliclibrary.org).

## BRIEFS

## Tyler Reinking, M.D., joins St. Luke's Clinic

Tyler Reinking, M.D., grew up in Summit County, Colo., with two science teachers as parents and naturally loved both being outside and learning about science. He became particularly interested in the human body and proceeded to study exercise physiology in college. Reinking gradually became interested in medicine as a career, particularly after taking a class that taught him how exercise prevents and treats chronic diseases like diabetes and heart disease.

Reinking received his Doctor of Medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine after receiving his Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science as well as his Master of Science, Exercise Physiology and Nutrition, at Montana State University. He completed his residency at Spokane Internal Medicine Residency.

"I enjoy general internal medicine because I get to work with the whole body and a huge range of diagnoses and treatments," Dr. Reinking explained. Through his educational background in exercise physiology and nutrition, he continues to have a special interest in metabolism, metabolic syndrome, diabetes, and obesity. (...continued in attached release)



Photo: (Courtesy of Tyler Reinking, M.D.) Tyler Reinking, M.D., and Skye Pauly

## SATIRE

## TRISTAN HEAD

## Driving in the Valley

BY TRISTAN HEAD

Now that the Texans have driven the Californicators to the Wood River Valley in droves, similar to the settlement era of Idaho and Montana with cattle, I figure it's time to clarify the rules of the road.

In these parts, we prefer to stick to the left lane at exactly one mile per hour slower than the right lane. This ensures no one gets anywhere fast. Speaking of fast, I've lived here so long I remember when the speed limit of downtown Hailey was 25 mph. Thankfully, it increased to ensure people can get to work quicker—the reason we all moved here anyway.

Keep 'em Alive on 75 is more like Smear 'em on 75. Damn the local wildlife that relies on wintering grounds. The founding of this area relied on mining, but today's prospect is buildin'.

Ketchum may have changed its slogan to, "Give a smile and a wave," but when I encounter you on a dirt road, I genuinely prefer "a honk and a middle finger." Which would be more welcoming to the locals who live here a sixth of the year anyway. It isn't like any of us would stop to help the local Valley resident, regardless of the median age being 73, with a flat tire. Then again, it isn't as though a walker gets flats.

The uncontrolled intersections give preferences to the individual driving the more expensive car. Wait. It's two Land Rovers with snorkels clean as the day they were purchased last week. Pay attention to rims—they could give the driver the confidence to drive through

without glancing in any direction other than forward. So please keep your meager vehicle to a controlled speed to allow the entitled driver leeway to turn left without directional.

Parking is also a clutch here. The Ketchum Elite became so popular that a local high schooler even expanded the program to ensure high schoolers received the attention they deserve. Due to our oversized "compensation" Raptors, negating the white lines intentionally allows for fewer people to door ding your vehicle, especially when you've taken the handicapped parking. Do they really need that anyway? I mean, the Valley got away with curbs that didn't allow handicapped access, so why should Natural Grocers?

In all seriousness, this Valley has grown tremendously in recent years but it is possible to maintain a small-town vibe as long as people keep it in mind. Like many, I am an East Coast implant who sought solitude away from East Coast mentality.

Appreciate what we have here because the landscape and persona are unique, yet they can change rapidly if we do not place value on the makeup of our town. While driving, follow Ketchum's advice and give a smile and a wave because you never know when you could rely on that person to help you change a flat or get a jump while you're stranded on a remote dirt road.

This community emits a strong connection, because people take care of one another. Just like the group founded during COVID: Neighbors Helping Neighbors.

## OPINION

CAITLIN JOHNSTONE

# MAINSTREAM JOURNALISM, THEN AND NOW

BY CAITLIN JOHNSTONE

Iraq war cheerleader David Brooks has an article in The New York Times titled "What if We're the Bad Guys Here?", another one of those tired old think pieces we've been seeing for the last eight years that asks "golly gosh could we coastal elites have played some role in the rise of Trumpism?" like it's the first time anyone has ever considered that obvious point (the answer is yes, duh, you soft-handed silver spoon-fed ivory tower bubble boy).

One worthwhile paragraph about the media stands out though:

*"Over the last decades we've taken over whole professions and locked everybody else out. When I began my journalism career in Chicago in the 1980s, there were still some old crusty working-class guys around the newsroom. Now we're not only a college-dominated profession, we're an elite-college-dominated profession. Only 0.8 percent of all college students graduate from the super elite 12 schools (the Ivy League colleges, plus Stanford, M.I.T., Duke and the University of Chicago). A 2018 study found that more than 50 percent of the staff writers at the beloved New York Times and The Wall Street Journal attended one of the 29 most elite universities in the nation."*

Brooks is not the first commentator to make this observation about the drastic shift in the socioeconomic makeup of news reporters that has taken place from previous generations to now.

*"The class factor in journalism gets overlooked,"* journalist Glenn Greenwald said on the Jimmy Dore Show in 2021. *"Thirty or forty years ago, fifty years ago, journalists really were outsiders. That's why they all had unions; they made shit money, they came from like working class families. They hated the elite. They hated bankers and politicians. It was kind of like a boss-employee relationship — they hated them and wanted to throw rocks at them and take them down pegs."*

*"If I were to list the twenty richest people I've ever met in my entire life, I think like seven or eight of them are people I met because they work at The Intercept — people from like the richest fucking families on the planet,"* Greenwald added.

Journalist Matt Taibbi, whose father worked for NBC,

made similar observations on the Dark Horse podcast back in 2020.

*"Reporters when I was growing up, they came from a different class of people than they do today,"* Taibbi said. *"A lot of them were kind of more working class — their parents were more likely to be plumbers or electricians than they were to be doctors or lawyers. Like this thing where the journalist is an Ivy League grad, that's a relatively new thing that I think came about in the seventies and eighties with my generation. But reporters just instinctively hated rich people, they hated powerful people. Like if you put up a poster of a politician in a newsroom it was defaced instantaneously, like there were darts on it. Reporters saw it as their job to stick it to the man."*

*"Mostly the job is different now,"* Taibbi said. *"The fantasy among reporters in the nineties about politicians started to be, I want to be the person that hangs out with the candidate after the speech and has a beer and is sort of close to power. And that's kind of the model, that's where we're at right now. That's kind of the problem is that basically people in the business want to be behind the rope line with people of influence. And it's going to be a problem to get us back to that other adversarial posture of the past."*

This is a major reason behind the freakish sycophancy and empire loyalism we see in the mainstream press. It's not just the obscenely wealthy owners of the mass media who are protecting their class interests, it's the reporters, editors and pundits as well.

These are typically fairly wealthy people from fairly wealthy families, who become more and more wealthy the more their careers are elevated. As insiders of the mainstream press have attested, it's widely understood by employees of the mainstream media that the way to elevate your career is to toe the establishment line and refrain from spotlighting issues that are inconvenient to the powerful.

This identification with the ruling class feeds into the dynamic described by Taibbi in which modern journalists have come to value close proximity to those in power. These are the people they want to be sharing drinks with and going to parties with and invited to the weddings of; the "us vs them" dynamic which used to exist between the press and politicians switched, and now the press see themselves and the politicians they fraternize

with as "us" and the general public as "them".

There are other factors at play with regard to elite education. The number of journalists with college degrees skyrocketed from 58 percent in 1971 to 92 percent in 2013; if your wealthy parents aren't paying that off for you then you've got crushing student debt that you need to pay off yourself, which you can only do in the field you studied in by making a decent amount of money, which you can only do by acting as a dependable propagandist for the imperial establishment.

Universities themselves tend to play a status quo-serving, conformity-manufacturing role when churning out journalists, as wealth won't flow into an academic environment that is offensive to the wealthy. Moneyed interests are unlikely to make large donations to universities which teach their students that moneyed interests are a plague upon the nation, and they are certainly not going to send their kids there.

*"The whole intellectual culture has a filtering system, starting as a child in school,"* Noam Chomsky once explained in an interview. *"You're expected to accept certain beliefs, styles, behavioral patterns and so on. If you don't accept them, you are called maybe a behavioral problem, or something, and you're weeded out. Something like that goes on all the way through universities and graduate schools. There is an implicit system of filtering... which creates a strong tendency to impose conformism."*

The people who make it through this filtering system are the ones who are elevated to the most influential positions in our civilization. All the most widely amplified voices in our society are the celebrities, journalists, pundits and politicians who've proven themselves to be reliable stewards of the matrix of narrative control which keeps the public jacked in to the mainstream worldview.

Is it any wonder, then, that all the sources we've been taught to look to for information about our world continually feed us stories which give the impression that the status quo is working fine and this is the only way things can possibly be? Is it any wonder that the mass media support all US wars and cheerlead all imperial agendas?

This is how things were set up to be. Our media act like propagandists for a tyrannical regime because that's exactly what they are.



## FISHING REPORT



THE "WEEKLY"  
FISHING REPORT FOR  
AUGUST 9 - 22  
FROM PICABO ANGLER

Hoppers! That's the name of the game right now on all of our area fisheries. We're seeing big numbers of grasshoppers on our waters, and the fish are taking advantage of an easy meal. The hoppers are big and plentiful, and best imitated with a large foam pattern like the Morrish Hopper, More Or Less Hopper, Thunder Thighs Hopper, or Triple Decker in size 6, 8 and 10. All colors are effective – orange, yellow, tan, olive, peach, and even pink.

When fishing hopper patterns, be sure to use the appropriate leaders and tippet. Leaders of 7.5 to 9 feet in 1X, 2X and 3X are good choices. You need a heavier leader to turn over large, wind-resistant flies, and heavier sizes will prevent break-offs from aggressive eats. On Silver Creek, savvy anglers favor fluorocarbon over monofilament, as fluorocarbon is much more abrasion resistant. That is critical when a toothy 22-inch brown eats your hopper.

The Tricos are still strong on Silver Creek, although the action has been starting later with the recent cooler morning temperatures. Small BWOs continue to be mixed in with Tricos, so keep an eye out for these bugs and be ready to switch patterns. As mentioned, the hopper fishing on Silver Creek has been quite good. If the afternoon looks warm and windy, get down to the Creek.

Anglers on the Big Wood are catching fish on a variety of flies – hoppers, small attractor dries and caddis, copper Johns, zebra midges, princes, hoppers, and even streamers. With the above-average flows on the river and the cool nights, the Big Wood has been a great fishery. We're looking forward to the Western Red Quill (Hecuba) in a few weeks; it should be special.

Now is the time to explore the waters of Copper Basin and the Upper Big Lost. Cover lots of water and fish your favorite hoppers and attractor dries. Keep an eye out for flying ants... big cutthroat love them.

The Salmon River downstream from Stanley continues to float and fish well; it's hopper time on the river for the resident Westslope cutts.

The Lower Big Lost is still quite high at 740 CFS, so that is not a great option at the moment.

It's a great time to be an angler here in the Wood River Valley!

Happy fishing, everyone!



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## COMMENTARY

NO BONES ABOUT IT

FRAN JEWELL

## CANINE IDENTITY CRISIS

BY FRAN JEWELL

I can hear it now: "You have got to be kidding!" I am dead serious. I talk to no end about leadership and how critical it is to dog mental health. Very few dogs these days do not have some sort of anxiety, whether it is separation anxiety, approval anxiety, inability to calm themselves in the house, re-directed aggression, even reactivity to events or other dogs. What is even more unfortunate is that so many people do not recognize the signs of anxiety and continue to let their dogs live in quiet misery.

Our dogs cannot tell us or even talk about how they feel. To top it off, we place feelings on them as if they were people instead of dogs, which is good old-fashioned anthropomorphism. This doesn't mean dogs don't have feelings, but they do not have feelings for the same reasons as people do. This is where the dog identity crisis begins.

We are so busy trying to inflict our feelings upon our dogs that we don't see what is really happening to them. Let me give you an example. My favorite subject is service dogs, particularly fake service dogs. One day I am in a store in Boise. There is a person with a baby carriage and a small dog in the carriage. The dog has baby clothes on and a service-dog vest. This owner leaves the dog to walk around the corner to another aisle to get something and the dog goes into a fit, crying and shaking. The owner hurries and comes back and then tells a friend that the dog is so worried about her that the dog cannot stand to be out of sight of the owner. "What a wonderful service dog she is!" the owner exclaims.

The reality is that the dog is not providing service at all, but instead is expressing EXTREME separation anxiety. The owner is convinced that the dog must see her to be able to alert on a medical problem. I'm watching this entire interaction and it is clear to me the dog is horrified to be alone because the dog has been encouraged to be dependent upon the owner — not the other way around. What anxiety for this poor dog! With such separation anxiety, I am not sure this dog could ever get past the emotional dependence to be able to do a job effectively. This dog is in an emotional identity crisis.

How do we prevent this identity crisis in our dogs? Treat your dog like a dog. It sure can be hard when they are so cute and cuddly. However, we have to remember they are dogs, not humans. Say "No"



Dogs need to be dogs first to be happy. Photo credit: Fran Jewell

when they do something that is not appropriate. Reward the things you like. Provide clear and reasonable rules for structure, and be consistent about rules. Dogs NEED someone to guide them. In many cases, dogs that don't have structure actually become so anxious that they will revert to feral behavior, which can be aggressive. They simply do not know how to deal with life without guidance. Dogs should not be making decisions about how they behave in our human environment, especially if they revert to the only thing they know to protect themselves – feral and often aggressive behavior.

This does not mean you don't love them endlessly. But remember that they need structure to be happy emotionally. Love your dog for being a magnificent species so different from our own, so loving and kind. Remember that they did not come into this world to be treated like a human baby.

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SCIENCE OF PLACE

HARRY WEEKES

## The Atlantic Ghost Crab

BY HARRY WEEKES

Visiting a new ecosystem is always a treat for me. In July, I got to go to the Outer Banks of North Carolina. Specifically, I went to Duck (like that didn't work out perfectly).

Duck sits on a thin band of land between the North Atlantic and Currituck Sound. Because I come from a golfing family and distances are invariably referenced to the sport, I am pretty confident I could drive a golf ball across the part of land we were on. In other words, it was about 300 yards wide.

Starting at the marsh grass of the sound, the land is low and gently slopes up to a steep sea dune that runs the length of the beach—a grass-and-shrub-covered sand wall that presides over the ocean.

This dune gives way to miles of fine sand, where the North Atlantic relentlessly shapes and sculpts our eastern shore. When I asked, "What's out there?" and nodded to the open ocean, Connor, my host, replied, "Morocco."

To know what I felt like walking down that beach one simply had to watch (or envision watching) our mini-Dachshund, Olive. We wondered how she would take to the sand and the sea, especially as a dog bred to dig up badgers. Well, it turns out, other creatures make burrows and shuffle about, too. And in Duck, the Atlantic ghost crab takes the cake.

In a strip of sand that sits at the high-tide mark, ranges the length of the beach, and is about five yards wide, ghost crabs of varying sizes dig burrows from which they forage on seaweed, jellyfish, and other food provided by the sea.

Olive went from Dachshund to Krabbehund, scurrying after these little ghosts or otherwise looking alertly for them. Olive's bounding and darting and curious stares into a pock-marked beach mirrored my mood and my actions.

Pursuing these crabs was to open the door to a thousand questions. How fast can they run? Why do they run sideways? How do they see so well? Can they see everywhere? How far do I have to dig to find one in its burrow?

Among the things the Internet taught me is that ghost crabs can run upwards of 10 miles an hour, their burrows can go down four feet, and their eyestalks give them 360-degree vision. What chasing them taught me is that they have unbelievable navigational and spatial awareness software. That being able to run directly from the land into the ocean and improve your mobility is like a superpower. That clinging to the sand in a crashing wave keeps you in one spot, and when that doesn't work a "tuck and tumble approach" does just fine. That those crazy eyestalks fit very nicely into protective sheaths on the top of the carapace. And that capturing a crab in the waves was the only successful technique.

And so it was that I apprehended Endo, nicknamed for his somersaulting behavior in the surf.

I have no idea what Endo made of me—a giant, struggling beast with two legs and ten fingers. The questions that came to mind this time were from a different point of view—Endo's. Did he know that I was doing my best to handle him as gently as I could? What did he think of being hoisted into the air and returned almost as rapidly to the sand? Did my quiet and delighted chuckles have any impact on him?

All of these questions, of course, beg a much broader one: Do ghost crabs even ask questions? Needless to say, that one is a bit harder to answer.

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Do ghost crabs even ask questions? Photo courtesy of Harry Weekes



# TEACH YOUR CHILDREN WELL

BY KRISTIN HOVENCAMP, CPWA®

There is an old saying in wealth management: “Shirtsleeves to shirtsleeves in three generations.” In other words, the wealth gained in one generation will be lost by the third generation. This saying has stood the test of time. How can you sustain the past generation’s legacy, leave your mark on the present, and successfully pass wealth to future generations?

- **Document your family’s history to create a bond between past and future generations.** Shared experiences of struggles and successes help build connections and instill a deep appreciation of your ancestry. Heirs learn to respect where family traditions come from.
- **Institute a formal communication plan to keep relationships healthy and effective.** To develop trust, families must have open and honest communication that includes all generations, not just senior members.
- **Invest the time to communicate your dreams.** To help heirs understand how they will inherit and what the exchange of controls involves, families are putting a family wealth mission statement into place. The objective is to clearly define the family’s vision for their legacy, their aspirations for their wealth, and philanthropic views to each generation.
- **Increase financial literacy on an ongoing basis.** Financial education is critical when preparing family members to inherit wealth. Bring each generation together and acquaint them with the appropriate advisors for practical wealth planning essentials.
- **The hidden power of philanthropy.** To prepare heirs for wealth and responsibility, successful families use strategic philanthropy to teach the family’s philosophy, values, and goals. Creating a giving plan and adopting a long-term philanthropic perspective also helps to prepare heirs for the onus of financial responsibility.



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*“The single biggest problem in communication is the illusion that it has taken place.”*  
– Irish playwright George Bernard Shaw. Effective multigenerational families document history, memorialize values and traditions, use philanthropy, encourage financial education, and continuously communicate to productively transfer wealth over time.

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# HE LOVES ME, HE LOVES ME NOT

BY DOVE

Do you remember when we were younger and would find a daisy and it was a known tool of divination? You would pull off a petal one at a time and say, he loves me or loves me not, and the final petal gave you your answer. You always felt uplifted and joyful if it came out that the object of your question loved you. If it came out that he did not love you, did you buy into that belief or decide to disregard the information the daisy put forward? Now there is no way the daisy could foretell the truth of someone’s emotions, but your energy changed with the outcome. Your thoughts determined how you felt.



Whether you have a daisy to pluck or not, your thoughts will create your reality in every case. What you think is what you get. How often do we forget to monitor our thoughts and just let any little bit of information change our energy? We are marvelous human beings with the ability to choose in every instance where our energy is focused. The most important thing I believe you can do is to become responsible for the thoughts you entertain.

At this time on our planet, confusion reigns in all areas of life. You don’t know if any political situation is true, you don’t know if you can trust the medical (pharmaceutical) professions. It is so difficult to know truth. The only place you can look is within yourself. You are your own truth. You do not need to be anyone else’s truth except your own. Now is the time to know thyself, as we are each unique and important with a specific energy to give to our environment.

Next time you pick a daisy, instead of asking, “He loves me, he loves me not,” say, “How do I love me? I love my thoughts, my body, my heart, my mind, my emotions, I love all of me.” You cannot fail when you choose to love yourself. It is the place to start in finding love in all aspects of life. Start with you. You are special in all ways. Feel it, believe it, and if we all start to love ourselves, we all get to heal.

Steps to healing yourself: Start by never comparing yourself to anyone else. Give yourself joy each day in some small fashion. Take time to be alone and reflect on what brings you joy. Only you can fulfill you. No one else is able to make you happy nor is it their responsibility to do so. You can only fulfill yourself, not anyone else.

Make a conscious effort to change your energy whenever you find yourself down. Limit all pity parties to a maximum of thirty minutes, no more. The best cure for depression is to do something for someone else. You are in charge of your emotions, your emotions are not in charge of you. Go sit on a rock and talk to it. You would be surprised at what good listeners rocks are and they always love your presence.

Practice loving your presence and life always improves. Here’s to loving yourself. Blessings, Dove

# LITTLE WHITE LIES

BY JOELLEN COLLINS

Honestly, little white lies often seem apt choices in some situations. If a friend asks if one thinks her new haircut is cute (and it isn’t), what to say? I have a decades-old memory of a statement made when I walked over to my neighbor’s home to show off my new short bob. She took a quick look and shouted, “Who chopped off your hair!” I wasn’t upset with her response. I knew her and accepted her blunt way of speaking.

As one matures, gentle options develop in a friend’s repertoire of responses. If we care about others’ feelings, we learn not to be “brutally honest.” Perhaps we can find something positive and truthful to say about the cut, like “Ah ha! Now I can see your big blue eyes without hunks of hair falling over them,” or “You always look terrific,” or “How fashionable!” After years of practice, one can usually find a soft way to respond.

For most of my life I was a master of the kind little white lie. My excuse was that I didn’t want to hurt anyone’s feelings. However, as I have matured, I have been aware that my “disingenuous fibs” were designed to keep people liking me. God forbid that someone might be upset with me for my less than favorable reaction. I try now to be kind but truthful if someone solicits my opinion. It’s not always easy, and the challenge is when an honest response would indeed be insulting. In some cases, perhaps, it may be time to have a longer discussion about more serious issues when giving advice that might be uncomfortable. I have learned to ask if we should discuss this further or also find a truthful way to indicate that I am not an expert about a particular issue.

I may be more worried about not always avoiding the “little white lie” because I have been super-sensitive to criticism. If a teacher scolded me, I would have to fight crying over it. Now I can realize that it is my ego I am protecting by not being truthful, even in simple encounters. If I’m asked to volunteer for an organization I admire, I do not have to make up excuses for not being available: I can be truthful and say, “I’m sorry, but I just can’t help this time.” “So be it,” I can tell myself. I know I have stepped up as a volunteer hundreds of times in my long life and don’t have to waste time feeling guilty about my choices.

There may indeed be better ways to communicate in daily chit-chat than through minor social fibs. However, do I really need to respond when someone says to me, “Hi, how are you?” I could embark on a detailed and possibly unpleasant tirade about some ache from illness or my sadness at the state of the country, or I can just smile and say, “Fine, thank you,” possibly a useful little white lie.



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# DUDE HORSE’S VIEW

This dude ranch is much nicer than most ranches I have seen. The cowboys feed us hay and oats, yet keep us mighty lean.

I heard one cowboy say, “A horse whose stomach’s fat and round, will let the saddle slip on down. The dude will hit the ground.”

Well, stayin’ in this corral is what I’d like to do today. But haulin’ all these city dudes is how I earn my stay.

Today I’ll prob’ly get a dude whose sippin’ on the sauce. He’ll be hollerin’ out his cowboy drawl, then wave and say, “Hi, hoss.”

He’ll be tryin’ to impress his gal. She’ll laugh at all his jokes. I wish they’d give me earplugs. I would tune out all these folks.

I’d rather have a dude who’ll sit the saddle nice and quiet. And maybe if I’m lucky he’ll be workin’ on his diet.

Well, there’s a city dude I swear he’s bigger than a tree. And chompin’ down a doughnut. Now he has his eye on me.

He’s wearing Justin cowboy boots. Is that a Stetson hat? His shiny brand new belt buckle is pinchin’ up the fat.

He points in my direction, says, “I’d like to ride that horse.” The cowboy says, “He’s kinda rank. He might be your remorse.”

The city dude walked over and then stood at my left side. He looked a little nervous, said, “I’m up for this horse ride.”

I’ll lay my ears straight back and then I’ll snort and show my teeth. That fella needs to know that very soon I’ll be his grief.

He tries to get a foothold but the stirrup’s up too high. I’ll keep my wits about me, then I’ll fool him on the sly.

He climbs up on the rail fence and then tries to make a leap. I do the side step, just in time. I really have quick feet.

He hits all fours and bites the dirt. Oh, what a dusty cloud! The cowboys come a runnin’, I’m surrounded by a crowd.

I could be in some trouble. Hope the city dude won’t sue. ‘Cuz the next job waitin’ for me is a tube of Elmer’s glue.

Two friendly dudes soon help him and he climbs up on my back. I guess the fun is over and we’re gettin’ back on track.

So why am I expected to haul this biggest hunk of flesh? It’s the life of every dude horse and for that I must confess.

Let’s get this horse ride over and we’ll finish out the course. It’s just another day for me, a dumb and old dude horse.

– Bryce Angell



*Bryce Angell - The outdoors has always been a large part of my life. My father was an outfitter and guide for 35 years and I was there to shoe and care for the horses and help him do the cooking. We took many great trips into the Yellowstone area. Even now that I’m older, we still ride into the Tetons, Yellowstone and surrounding areas. My poems are mostly of personal experience. I am now retired and enjoying life to the fullest. I plan to do more riding and writing.*



# AN ARGUMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE WEED MANAGEMENT

BY: BLAINE BUG CREW

Have you ever had a dream that you woke up one morning and there were not any noxious weeds? No matter how many ways we try to eradicate weeds and control them, the fact is, invasive weeds will always be a part of our lives. In every square foot of soil there are hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of dormant seeds. Some of these are viable and some are not. The seed bed in our soil exists despite concrete, pavement, or even lawns. Mother Nature hates to be naked, and if given the chance, she will cover herself with whatever seeds can germinate the quickest.

Now that we've established that there is a never-ending supply of seeds in our soil, the next logical question becomes, what are we going to do about it? The easiest solution is sprays. However, longitudinal research has

determined that sprays are not sustainable and many are harmful to humans, pets, and wildlife. Sprays, by and large, are not target-weed specific, so they destroy the entire flora and fauna even though the land manager is only targeting one or two weeds.

Mechanical pulling is an option, but it requires a tremendous amount of effort and man hours. This is a sustainable option only if we can sustain the energy level and resolve of those pulling weeds in the hot summer sun, hour by hour, day by day. This is manageable on a smaller scale, like in a small garden or yard. Unfortunately, Idaho is filled with vast tracts of land, brimming with noxious weeds.

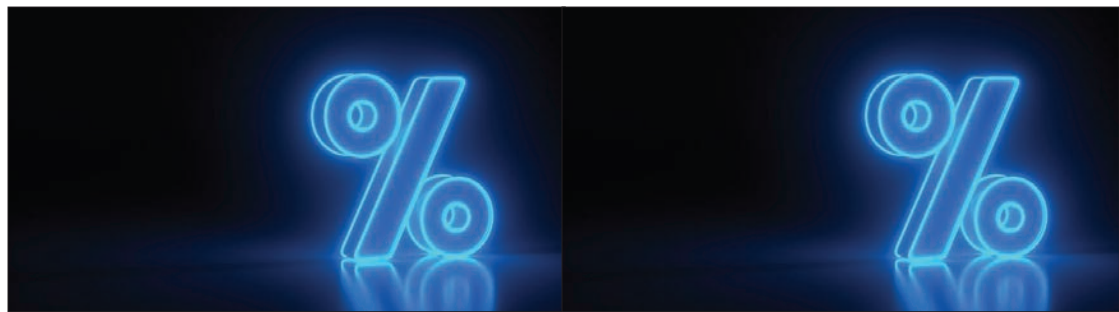
Mowing is an option, but it requires vigilance. Land managers need to strategically mow when target weeds are about to bloom. This can be extremely effective for large swaths of land. This accomplishes two things:

First, it allows Mother Nature to keep her clothes on and, secondly, it stops a new generation of seeds from maturing and re-infesting the soil. Cultivating and discing are not very good options because they disturb the seed bed and encourage new growth and destroy established good plants that are helping to control erosion.

Another lesser-known option is biological control. This is the process of introducing target-weed-specific insects to invasive species who naturally feed on these weeds. These insects will not eradicate the weed, but will manage it. These insects overwinter in the roots of their host plants and continue to come back year after year, generation after generation.

If you would like to know more about any one of these methods of weed control, please contact Morgan Baird, Blaine County Weed Department specialist, at (208) 788-5543, ext. 1136.

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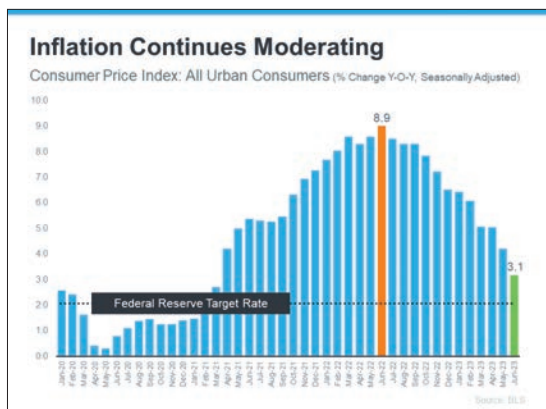


## HOW INFLATION AFFECTS MORTGAGE RATES

BY ANNA & MICHELLE

When you read about the housing market in the news, you might see something about a recent decision made by the Federal Reserve (the Fed). But how does this decision affect you and your plans to buy a home? Here's what you need to know.

The Fed is trying hard to reduce inflation. And even though there's been 12 straight months where inflation has cooled (see graph below), the most recent data shows it's still higher than the Fed's target of 2%.



While you may have been hoping the Fed would stop their hikes, since they're making progress on their goal of bringing down inflation, they don't want to stop too soon and risk inflation climbing back up as a result. Because of this, the Fed decided to increase the Federal Funds Rate again last week. As Jerome Powell, chairman of the Fed, says: "We remain committed to bringing inflation back to our 2 percent goal and to keeping longer-term inflation expectations well anchored."

Greg McBride, senior VP and chief financial analyst at Bankrate, explains how high inflation and a strong economy play into the Fed's recent decision: "Inflation remains stubbornly high. The economy has been remarkably resilient, the labor market is still robust, but that may be contributing to the stubbornly high inflation. So, Fed has to pump the brakes a bit more."

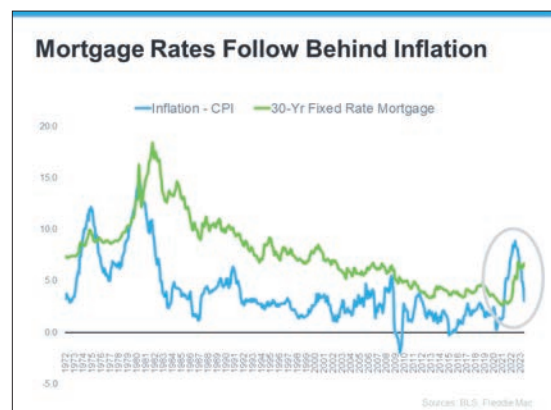
Even though a Federal Funds Rate hike by the Fed doesn't directly dictate what happens with mortgage rates, it does have an impact. As a recent article from Fortune says: "The federal funds rate

is an interest rate that banks charge other banks when they lend one another money... **When inflation is running high, the Fed will increase rates to increase the cost of borrowing and slow down the economy. When it's too low, they'll lower rates to stimulate the economy and get things moving again.**"

### How All of This Affects You

In the simplest sense, when inflation is high, mortgage rates are also high. But, if the Fed succeeds in bringing down inflation, it could ultimately lead to lower mortgage rates, making it more affordable for you to buy a home.

This graph helps illustrate that point by showing that when inflation decreases, mortgage rates typically go down, too (see graph below):



As the data above shows, inflation (shown in the blue trend line) is slowly coming down and, based on historical trends, mortgage rates (shown in the green trend line) are likely to follow. McBride says this about the future of mortgage rates: "With the backdrop of easing inflation pressures, we should see more consistent declines in mortgage rates as the year progresses, particularly if the economy and labor market slow noticeably."

### Bottom Line

What happens to mortgage rates depends on inflation. If inflation cools down, mortgage rates should go down, too. Let's talk so you can get expert advice on housing market changes and what they mean for you.

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## PERUVIAN PACHAMANCA CULTURAL CUISINE

BY CALYSTA PHILLIPS

### OUR VOICE COUNTS

Next Saturday, Aug. 12, The Community Table/La Mesa Comunitaria will be hosting a Peruvian Pachamanca at the Sawtooth Botanical Garden from 12-3 p.m. The Peruvian community has been helping to plan it, and they are ready to cook 25 chickens and two whole pigs in hot stone ovens they build. It's going to be DELICIOUS and FUN! Come as a guest or come as a volunteer ... the Peruvian community is excited to share this meaningful cultural heritage with the whole community. In addition, there will be all the usual fun for kids—water bouncy house, arts and crafts, face painting, etc.



If you want to HELP, see below. Remember, students, you need to do at least a couple hours of community service each school year, so here are a bunch of ways to contribute....

- Saturday Aug. 5, 9 a.m., Move rocks and wood from 90 East Fork Road to Sawtooth Botanical Garden
- Friday, Aug. 11, 9 a.m., Grocery shop at Atkinsons' in Bellevue
- Friday, Aug. 11, 3-7 p.m., Prepare food at Sawtooth Botanical Garden kitchen
- Friday, Aug. 11, 6 p.m., Build stone firepits/hornos at Sawtooth Botanical Garden
- Saturday, Aug. 12, 8 a.m., Start cooking, continue prepping food
- Saturday, Aug. 12, 12-3 p.m., THE MAIN EVENT! Pachamanca BBQ + games, arts and crafts, resources, bouncy castle, and fun for the whole family. FREE!

Rather than create volunteer links for all of the above, here is one for Saturday: There are three shifts from 10 a.m.–12 p.m., 12 p.m.–2 p.m., and 2 p.m.–4 p.m. If you want to help during other time slots, please just email me back and let me know you will be there.

### NUESTRA VOZ CUENTA

El próximo sábado, 12 de agosto, La Mesa Comunitaria organizará una Pachamanca Peruana en el Jardín Botánico Sawtooth a las 12 a las 3 p. m. La comunidad peruana ha estado ayudando a planificarlo y están listos para cocinar 25 pollos y dos cerdos enteros en hornos de piedra caliente que construyen. ¡Será DELICIOSO y DIVERTIDO! Venga como invitado o venga como voluntario... La comunidad peruana está emocionada de compartir este importante patrimonio cultural con toda la comuni-

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# PERUVIAN CUISINE

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dad. Además, habrá toda la diversión habitual para los niños: casa inflable con agua, manualidades, pintura de caras, etc.

Si quieres AYUDAR, vea abajo. Recuerden, estudiantes, deben hacer al menos un par de horas de servicio comunitario cada año escolar, así que aquí hay varias formas de contribuir...

- Sábado 5 de agosto, 9 a.m., Mueva rocas y madera de 90 East Fork Road al Jardín Botánico Sawtooth
- Viernes, 11 de agosto, 9 a.m., Tienda de comestibles en Atkinsons' en Bellevue
- Viernes, 11 de agosto, 3-7 p.m., Preparar comida en el Sawtooth Botanical Garden (Jardín Botánico Sawtooth)

- Viernes, 11 de agosto, 6 p.m., Construir hogueras/hornos de piedra en el Jardín Botánico Sawtooth
- Sábado, 12 de agosto, 8 a.m., Empezar a cocinar, seguir preparando la comida
- Sábado, 12-3 p.m., ¡EL EVENTO PRINCIPAL! Barbacoa Pachamanca + juegos, manualidades, recursos, castillo hinchable y diversión para toda la familia. ¡GRATIS!

En lugar de crear enlaces de voluntarios para todo lo anterior, aquí hay uno para el sábado: hay 3 turnos desde las 10 a.m.-12 p.m., 12 a las 2 p.m., y 2 a las 4 p.m. Si desea ayudar durante otros horarios, envíeme un correo electrónico y avíseme que estará allí.

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## SUDOKU

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MIKE MCKENNA

# Pedaling Around Rebecca's Private Idaho

BY MIKE MCKENNA

Rebecca Rusch didn't plan on having a big and lasting impact on the Wood River Valley when she first arrived. She just came here for a bike ride.

But that training session turned into a love affair with our little slice of Ida-heaven—one that many locals can relate to.

"It's a fairly typical, old-school story. I came here to visit and train 23 years ago and I never left," Rebecca said. "I've lived in a lot of places and even lived out of my car, but this place, the riding here, the people here, I felt like I came home."

Unlike most of us who visit and then decide to call the Wood River Valley home, Rebecca hasn't just carved out a great life for herself, she has also had a large and positive impact on the lives of many others.

Since 2013, Rebecca's Private Idaho (RPI) has offered a multi-day bike festival during Labor Day weekend. It has hosted thousands of bike riders from all over the planet who come to pedal the nearly 200 miles of Idaho's stunning backcountry. It's one of the longest-running gravel races in the country and, best of all, proceeds go to support the non-profit Be Good Foundation.

"I wanted to share this area and showcase this land for locals and visitors," Rebecca said. "It has become a true destination event. People come and they bring their families and a huge part of the draw is the super-fun community and the vibrant small towns. We've become a true bike community."

RPI, as folks will call the rides, isn't just fun for the riders and their families, it is also a boon to the local, tourist-based economy. Besides filling up hotel rooms and countless local shops and restaurants, all proceeds go to the Be Good Foundation, which donates thousands annually to support causes and scholarships within the Wood River Valley and throughout the world.

"People, purpose, place. We want to give back to the community and to those organizations that are making positive impacts," Rebecca said about supporting causes that things like providing access to bikes, protecting land for bikers and promoting all the positive impacts riding offers.

A National Mountain Bike Hall-of-Famer and 7-Time World Champion in several different fields, Rebecca was even the star of the Emmy



Award-winning documentary "Blood Road," about her bike ride along the Ho Chi Minh Trail to visit her late father's crash site during the Vietnam War.

Despite all her accomplishments, there's still no place she'd rather be than riding in the Wood River Valley.

"There's so much choice here. We really have great variety and access and an amazing riding community," Rebecca said. "The experience here is really special. You're riding in my backyard and you are welcome here. You just always want to remember to treat it and the people here with the respect and appreciation they deserve."

Rebecca's Private Idaho takes place from August 31-September 3 this year. Find out more at [RebecasPrivateIdaho.com](https://RebecasPrivateIdaho.com).

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The Classic Sudoku is a number placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

## CLASSIC SUDOKU

See answer on page 11

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by Billie Truitt

- ACROSS
- 1 JFK or 58 Down
- 4 Reach across
- 8 When day breaks
- 15 Eight, south of the border
- 19 Suffix for legal
- 20 Folk story
- 21 Sawbucks
- 22 Native to
- 23 Fresh Air ailer
- 24 Be awesome, these days
- 25 Engage in risky business
- 27 Rolled Mexican fare
- 30 Toy dogs, for short
- 31 Turkish Empire founder
- 32 Engage in risky business
- 35 Giggly sounds
- 36 Dream: Fr.
- 37 Having no help
- 38 Chore list heading
- 39 Open-handed hit
- 42 Cannon blast
- 44 Smoked salmon
- 45 Grand slam's quartet
- 49 Visiting Europe, say
- 52 Engage in risky business
- 56 Mythical bird
- 57 Clear up, as a windshield
- 59 Senator Feinstein
- 60 Baseball great Gehrig
- 61 "Really ought to do that..."
- 63 Navy commandos
- 65 Ogre
- 67 Engage in risky business
- 72 Spanish silver
- 75 Arbitrary stranger
- 76 Unpaid debts
- 80 Native New Mexican
- 81 Springsteen's birthplace, per his song
- 84 Have a quarrel
- 86 Tokyo-based carrier
- 87 Engage in risky business
- 91 Stay out of trouble
- 93 Fabric flaw
- 94 "That's great!"
- 95 Pungent bulb
- 97 Chopped down
- 98 Little tricksters
- 100 Boston dinner
- 102 Meal for a mare
- 105 Talks back to
- 108 Engage in risky business
- 113 Pet shelter org.
- 114 "Before \_\_\_ you go..."
- 115 Producer of an effect
- 116 Engage in risky business
- 120 Ominous
- 121 Person paid to play
- 122 Prefix for virus
- 123 Reindeer toppers
- 124 Egg on
- 125 Always, in poetry
- 126 Owllet's home
- 127 Icy southern waters
- 128 Thesaurus entries: Abbr.
- 129 Tattler
- DOWN
- 1 Star in Cygnus
- 2 Channel for NCAA games
- 3 Compassion
- 4 Roadway divider
- 5 16th century pope
- 6 Suitable for the entire family
- 7 "\_\_\_ say more?"
- 8 Org. for Federer or Nadal
- 9 Aviv
- 10 Attach with a click
- 11 Separate, as oxen
- 12 Self after a makeover
- 13 Exodus author
- 14 L.A. winter clock setting
- 15 Where some oil rigs are built
- 16 Illegal activity
- 17 Goddesses of the seasons
- 18 Prophetic signs
- 26 Cleared weeds
- 28 Winfrey's company
- 29 Clock descriptor
- 33 Inventors Hall of Fame name
- 34 Pal of Eeyore
- 35 Poisonous substance
- 38 Small dot on a state map
- 39 Bollywood dress
- 40 Some corp. takeovers
- 41 Curve of the sole
- 43 Big fuss
- 44 Capital of Tibet
- 46 Hayride seat
- 47 Revered figure
- 48 Wall support
- 50 Overpraise
- 51 Shop with slicers
- 53 Utah neighbor
- 54 Overadorn
- 55 Soccer official
- 58 Dime portrait
- 62 Less than 125 Across
- 63 Mideast peninsula
- 64 Expected takeoff hr.
- 66 Wrath
- 68 It's a fact
- 69 Hamper contents
- 70 Keep bugging
- 71 Western chow

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- 83 Grandson of Eve
- 84 Low-pH
- 85 Auto named for Olds
- 88 Ritz alternative
- 89 Expected result
- 90 "\_\_\_ pronounce you..."
- 92 Rips into
- 96 "Take your time"
- 99 Ham or lamb
- 100 Gets louder, as music
- 101 Big dots on a state map
- 103 Delegate, as a task
- 104 Water near Eton College
- 105 Cosmos author
- 106 In sync
- 107 Glimpses
- 108 Crib parts
- 109 Lisbon's river
- 110 More mature
- 111 East Asian peninsula
- 112 Derivative sound
- 114 \_\_\_ uncertain terms
- 117 Rowing implement
- 118 Soldier's field food, for short
- 119 Jamboree org.

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