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It's Official: Eagle Residents Vote to Buy City Hall

By Philip A. Janquart

It took a total of five tries, but Eagle residents have voted in favor of a 15-year bond measure to buy City Hall for \$1.2 million, saving the city over \$167,000 per year in lease payments.

Voting took place Tuesday, May 21 with 2,075 residents voting in favor of the bond, or 90.97 percent, and only 206, or 9.03 percent, voting against it.

Eagle Mayor Jim Reynolds was pleased with the outcome and expressed optimism the city can now begin to move in a positive financial direction.

"It is a good thing for the people and they need to know we (the city) are working for them, and I think they know that," he said. "The attitude is different today and we are moving forward. There was a lot of animosity before, but people have moved on, and they really needed to."

City attorney Suzan Buxton said at an April town hall meeting that voting to buy city hall would be the first time in the state of Idaho a municipality has voted in favor of such a bond.

"I am almost speechless," said City Hall Task Force Co-Chairman Jeff Kunz. "I can't believe it passed by such a majority."



The measure needed a 66 and two-thirds percent, or a super-majority, to pass, but got much more than that.

"It passed by almost 91 percent," Kunz said. "That is really a landslide. This is really a win-win for Eagle. I am very pleased."

Building owner Hawkins-Smith agreed to a total negotiated purchase price of \$1,899,999. The bond covers \$1.2 million of the cost.

The remainder is covered by the city's carry-over fund, which represents "higher-than-

expected revenue," totaling \$825,925. The council voted 3-1 to apply that carry-over amount to the purchase price of the building.

The annual estimated bond payment is \$93,000 per year versus approximately \$260,000 per year it cost the city to lease the building, translating into an annual savings of \$167,000.

Reynolds said the city still has work to do now that the bond has passed, but that the building could be in the city's possession in 60 days.

"I commend all the people who worked so hard at this, especially Jeff Kunz and Mary May," Reynolds said.

He added the city can now focus its full attention on finding ways to increase revenue, citing the Eagle Motorsports Park currently being planned for development north of Eagle. The development would bring significant economic growth to the area with facilities tooled to manufacture high-performance parts for the motorsports industry.

"We are still at about 80 percent residential and 20 percent commercial," Reynolds said of Eagle's revenue sources. "That needs to change and we are excited about the future."

Star mayor awards scholarships

By Jennifer Anderson

May 15, 2013, Mayor Nate Mitchell of Star hosted the annual Mayor's scholarship awards banquet and presented nine local high school students with scholarships.

Over the last four years of offering the scholarships, funds raised through an annual Mayor's Golf Tournament, the Mayor in conjunction with the Star Lions Club have awarded in upwards of \$30,000.

Student applications are judged by members of the Star Lions Club and ranked according to their academics, community involvement, and their demonstrated leadership abilities. This year awards were given out in increments of \$1,500, \$1,000, \$750, and \$500. Each level had two recipients with the exception of the \$750 level in which three scholarships were awarded.

Parents were invited along with their students



Star mayor Nate Mitchell is shown here with most of this year's scholarship recipients from left to right: Megan Schwehr, Edmund Ellis, Megan Chambers, Katie Florian, Mayor Mitchell, Lynzee Saxton, Zach Harris, and Clayton Watts.

to the awards banquet as were city officials and members of the Star Lions Club. Sully's catered the event which was held in the Heron River clubhouse.

Scholarship winners included:
Megan Schwehr and Clayton Watts (\$1,500);
Megan Chambers and Madison Points (\$1,000);
Katie Florian, Zachary Harris, and Lynzee Saxton (\$750);
Samra Murray and Edmund Ellis IV (\$500).

After receiving their awards, recipients were asked to stand and tell what their future plans were for college. Their aspirations included pursuing degrees in biology, pre-med, writing, business, and finance. Congratulations to these and all the graduates of 2013, and good luck in the future!

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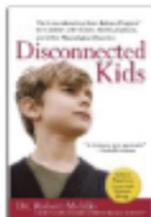
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Benefit Concert for Buckle Up For Bobby

By Leticia Juarez-Sisson

April 14, 2013 friends and family of Bobby Rogers and area teens joined together to honor some special young people who lost their lives in recent motor vehicle accidents.

The evening was filled with the tunes of "The Kimberly Trip" while feasting on pizza-by-the-slice and sipping specialty beverages prepared by the skilled staff at Rembrandt's Coffee House.

Silent Auction items and a chance at some family friendly raffles were available with proceeds benefiting "Buckle Up for Bobby."

Joan Endicott, award winning speaker, coach and safe driving advocate also shared a powerful challenge.

Buckle Up For Bobby, Inc. aims to reduce fatalities and serious injuries related to motor vehicle crashes by promoting seat belt use and safe driver/passenger habits among teens and young adults.

Proceeds from this event helped to fund eight (8) \$500.00 scholarships established in honor of 16-year-old Bobby Rogers and his 17-year-old classmate, Tiffany Walters, Mountain View High School students who perished in a motor vehicle crash in September.

In addition, funds will be used to create public awareness videos promoting safe driving among teens. The senseless loss of life in our communities over the last several months has been devastating. It's time for change.....let's turn adversity into action!

For more information: Log onto www.BuckleUpForBobby.com or email Sheri Rogers at Bobbystrong2012@gmail.com or call 208-866-4571



Buckle Up For Bobby, Inc. aims to reduce fatalities and serious injuries related to motor vehicle crashes among teens.



The event took place at Rembrandt's Coffee House in Eagle.



Bobby's three siblings: Luke Rogers, Kayla Miller and Matt Miller.



"The Kimberly Trip" played for the event while people enjoyed pizza, drinks, and the silent auction.

Proceeds benefited "Buckle Up for Bobby."
Photos by Kayla Miller



Next steps toward ownership of Eagle City Hall

By Jeff Kunz, Chairman of Committee in Favor of Eagle City Hall Ownership

EAGLE - Unofficially, during the May 21st election, a total of 2,281 votes were cast during the \$1.2 million general obligation bond election to purchase Eagle City Hall. A total of 2,075 (90.97%) votes were cast "in favor of" bond issuance and a total of 206 (9.03%) were cast "against" bond issuance.

With this mandate, we have taken an important first step toward ownership of Eagle City Hall.

What are the next steps toward ownership of Eagle City Hall? And why are they important?

First, the Board of Ada County Commissioners must canvass the votes and certify election results by May 31st. Certification of election results reconciles precinct and write-in totals, accounts for all duplicated, replacement and rejected ballots and documents the canvass board's activities.

Second, after the certification, a 30-day contest period begins, during which the election outcome can be formally challenged. After the contest period deadline of July 8th, the election outcome cannot be contested.

Third, the bond issuance and sales process takes place. The Eagle City Council has already approved Ordinance 689, which authorized the bond election and defined such parameters as:

- The maximum bond duration of 15 years;
- The proposed bond principal amount of \$1.2 million;
- The anticipated bond interest rate of 2.0% per annum, with a range of 1.0% to 4.0% per annum;
- The total interest amount of \$194,932, based on the anticipated bond interest rate of 2.0% per annum; and
- The total amount (bond principal plus interest) of \$1,394,932 to be repaid.

Provided these parameters remain within bounds, no further action by the Eagle City Council is required before the bonds are issued and sold, presumably by late July 2013.

Fourth, each fiscal year, we must ensure members of the Eagle City Council make the bond payments through annual budget appropriations, not by increasing our property taxes. (All four members of the current City Council support this approach; nevertheless, newly elected Council members will need to re-decided each fiscal year.) By attending annual budget meetings and providing frequent public comments, we can apply pressure to current and future City Councils, ensuring they continue to make bond payments through annual budget appropriations, not by increasing our property taxes. This step, and our active participation cannot be overemphasized.

Fifth, each fiscal year, we must ensure city officials optimally use the net annual savings of \$167,230 we will realize by owning Eagle City Hall. Ultimately, city officials will decide how to use these net annual savings. For example, city officials could use these net annual savings to (a) reduce our property taxes; (b) pay off the bonds early, in order to minimize interest expenses; (c) fund high-priority city projects; or (d) some combination thereof. We can strongly influence how these net annual savings are used by speaking out during town hall meetings, budget hearings and council meetings. We must insist on an appropriate level of analysis and require strong justifications for how these net annual savings are used.

In summary, our active and continued participation in this process is critical to ensure achievement of the aforementioned objectives.

Police investigate vandalism at Eagle church Monday, May 20

Eagle Police investigators would like to talk to anyone who has information about vandalism at the 7th Day Adventist Church over the weekend.

Someone used olive-green and purple spray paint to draw several profane pictures and messages on the back of the church, located at 538 W. State St.

The vandalism occurred sometime between 5 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. Saturday.

Police say the vandalism is similar to messages and pictures spray-painted on a Jacksons Food Store and a nearby business March 17 near the Eagle Road/State Street intersection.

Anyone with information should call Ada County dispatchers at 377-6790 or Crime Stoppers at 343-2677.

Young Eagle teens arrested for vandalism, graffiti on Tuesday, April 30

Two middle school age boys admitted to vandalizing bathrooms at Eagle Island State Park and causing anywhere from \$3,000-to-\$5,000 worth of damage to a building on Hatchery Road.

The boys used paint last Thursday to spray graffiti inside the converted barn building on Hatchery Road. They also admitted to investigators they broke soap dispensers in two bathrooms at Eagle Island State Park and poured the soap down a drain the night before. Park officials say soap was smeared all over the walls.

Eagle police investigators say the boys – including a third who said he was with the other two inside the buildings but only watched as the damage was done - are also responsible for scratching a profane message on a metal sign at Eagle Island State Park last week. The boys are 14, 13, and 12 years-old. Officers arrested all three yesterday before releasing them to their parents.

Officers are looking at other similar vandalism incidents to see if they may be connected. They are also working to determine how much clean-up will cost and expect to ask the boys and their families to pay those expenses.

The middle schoolers told police they got into the park bathrooms some time overnight April 24 and broke the soap dispensers. They got into the building on Hatchery Road around 8 p.m. Thursday night after finding one of the back doors unlocked.

Once inside, they found some spray paint. Officers say the boys covered walls, doors, a desk, a toilet and other areas with graffiti, which included swear words. The boys also took a gas credit card they found inside and a horse lasso.

The owners of the building discovered the damage Monday morning and called Eagle Police, who worked with Eagle Island State Park officials to quickly identify the three boys, who live nearby, as suspects. A short time after that, all three told officers they were responsible for what happened.

Eagle Police Chief Dana Borgquist praised his patrol officers, detectives and park officials for working together to quickly identify the boys – and get them to confess – before they could do any more damage.

"Persistence and great police work is what solved this case," Borgquist said. "Senseless crimes like graffiti and vandalism do more than damage buildings – they affect the quality of life in our community. So figuring this out and put a stopping to it is important."

Congratulations to New College Graduates

Oregon State University

Eagle: Grant T. Anderson, Bachelor of Science, Cum Laude, Microbiology;
Greta M. Frey, Bachelor of Science, Cum Laude, Public Health;
William R. Robertson III, Bachelor of Science, Management.

Star: Kyle R. Pomranig, Doctor of Philosophy, Molecular and Cellular Biology.

Montana State University

Star-Margarita J. Pollock, Liberal Studies; BS

The best of all things is to learn.

Money can be lost or stolen, health and strength may fail,
but what you have committed to your mind is yours forever.

~ Louis L'Amour

EAGLE RESIDENT EARNS TWO MAJOR JOURNALISM OPPORTUNITIES

Salem, Ore. — With commencement just weeks away, some Corban students are wondering what their next steps will be.

For Kate Tracy, an English major and editor of Corban's award-winning student newspaper, The Hilltop, the next 15 months will be filled with two journalism opportunities. In April, Tracy learned she was selected to receive a Charles Snowden Program for Excellence in Journalism summer internship. Soon after, she was told she earned a one-year, \$30,000 residency with Chicago-based "Christianity Today."

"I am a very excitable person," she said. "I freak out over hearing my favorite song on the radio, or getting a free coffee. I was just so unbelievably pumped to get the Snowden, and have my foot in the door as far as journalism goes.

"When I heard I got the 'Christianity Today' residency my reaction was there is no way I just got that, you have got to be kidding me," Tracy added. "I feel very blessed. It's just blessing upon blessing upon blessing."

In June she will begin the Snowden internship working with the "Herald and News," the daily newspaper in Klamath Falls, Ore. In September, she will move to Chicago to begin her residency with "Christianity Today." That publication is read around the world in its print publications and online.

Although she already has some experience as a writer and editor, she knows there will be a steep learning curve for her at both publications. However, she said she is excited about the opportunity to work within two different journalistic mediums.

Eventually she hopes to eventually travel internationally as a journalist and possibly write a novel. Regardless of what happens or where she ends up, she said God has always offered her faithful guidance.

"He has very clearly opened doors for writing ever since I was in high school," Tracy said. "I'm very thankful that He has made it clear what the heck I should do with my life. His provision with these opportunities has been totally above and beyond what I expected."


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Additionally, prizes will be award for holes in one and 50/50. Entry fees are \$75.00 per person or \$300.00 per team. Sponsorships are available for \$50.00. Food and beverages will be served at the end of the round. It's a great event sponsored by the Eagle Lions Club and is their main scholarship fundraiser so please show your support and come out and help the kids!

For information about registration or the tournament please contact Tom Gilbert at 954-1682, Robert DeShazo at 939-6932 or Todd Stewart at 939-9867. Registration forms are available at multiple locations throughout Eagle including many of the restaurants, Todd Stewart Salon, and more.



CenturyLink Middle School Philanthropy program announces grant recipients

**Recipients chosen by Rolling Hills Public Charter School students
as part of class project**

BOISE, Idaho – CenturyLink, Inc. (NYSE: CTL) announced eight of the grant winners in its Middle School Philanthropy program. Students in David Shubert's Community Service class at Rolling Hills Public Charter School in Boise researched nonprofit organizations in the Treasure Valley and chose to award \$1,000 to Meals on Wheels, \$500 to the Idaho Humane Society, \$250 to the Boys and Girls Club, \$250 to the American Kestrel organization, \$250 to the Genesis Service Dogs, \$250 to the Make A Wish of Idaho, \$250 to Computers For Kids and \$250 to the Women's and Children's Alliance. The grants were awarded at Rolling Hills Public Charter School on May 22 at 1:40pm.

"CenturyLink is dedicated to enhancing the communities we serve in a meaningful way," said Jim Schmit, vice president and general manager for CenturyLink in Idaho. "This program is a unique opportunity to enable students to connect with their community in a way that will raise awareness of needs and hopefully plant a seed with them for a lifelong interest in giving back."

Rolling Hills Public Charter School was one of ten middle schools in Idaho who participated in the program to determine how to each distribute \$3,000 among nonprofit organizations impacting their particular community. A total of \$30,000 will be awarded to local nonprofit organizations across the state through this program. This is the second year for the Centurylink Middle School Philanthropic program. In 2012, a total of \$24,000 was awarded to 22 non-profit organizations.

The program's purpose is to increase awareness among middle school students of various needs in their communities. In addition, the program aims to create a lifelong interest in volunteerism and community involvement, develop skills to allocate limited resources and increase civic engagement.

"I personally think this is a great way for CenturyLink to help the community we live in," said Shubert. "Not only does this money help out our community, more importantly, it has raised an awareness among my students about how many charities are out there, and how much they do for their community. Some of my students have taken the next step to help out their charity even more."

Eagle Barber Shop

An Old Fashion Barber Shop for Men and Boys

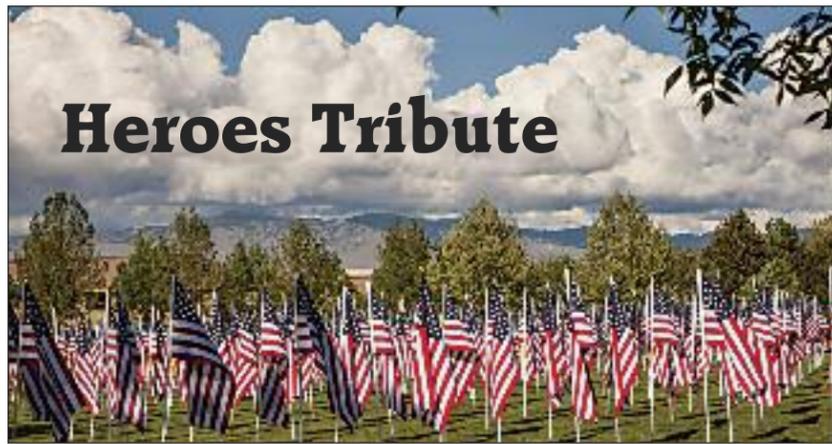
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Heroes Tribute

By Jennifer Anderson

Once again Merrill Park in Eagle was awash with undulating colors of red, white, and blue as hundreds of United States Flags were posted commemorating and honoring all veterans.

May 18, 2013 at 11:00 am the Field of Honor was dedicated during a moving and solemn ceremony involving the posting of the colors by the American Legion Middleton Post 39, the Pledge of Allegiance, the singing of our national anthem by the Boise Police Honor Guard, and additional speakers and musical numbers. The morning was complete with a flyover of a P-40E Kittyhawk piloted by John Curtiss Paul.

The ten day tribute to men and women of our military, past and present, lasted May 18-28 and was attended by many as a show of gratitude for the service these men and women have rendered us and our country. Their sacrifices do not go unrecognized. Many of the flags were sponsored by family members recognizing their personal military heroes. Thank you to all our veterans, to the city of Eagle for this display, and to Kathy Coburn and the Field of Honor Committee for spearheading this unique memorial.

This year's Field of Honor was held May 18-28 at Merrill Park in Eagle.



The national anthem was sung by Boise Police Honor Guard.



John Curtiss Paul piloted the P-40E Kittyhawk for a flyover during the dedication ceremony held May 18, 2013.

Families in patriotic wear came to show their support and recognize the great sacrifice our veterans have made in behalf of us and our country.

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MYAC donates to two local organizations

By Jennifer Anderson

The Mayor's Youth in Action Committee finished off their year in a big way by presenting two local organizations, Ghana Make a Difference and Help Idaho, with checks totaling \$500 and \$250 respectively.

Through fundraising efforts performed by the local Eagle High School MYAC group the organizations and those they serve will benefit greatly.

Ghana Make a Difference was officially organized on July 13, 2012. The inspired effort of Cory and Stacey Hofman who, after visiting several orphanages in Ghana, saw a need they felt they could help fill. Ghana Make a Difference is a non-profit organization run solely by volunteers with 100% of financial contributions going directly to feed, clothe, and meet the needs of these children.

The MYAC donation will help Ghana Make a Difference feed 330 children for a day. To learn more about Ghana Make a Difference and how you can help, visit their website at <http://www.ghanamakeadifference.org>.

Help Idaho is an organization committed to helping small business owners succeed and educating business owners and the public alike on the importance of buying local. Their reasoning is that when community members buy local, businesses in return spend more of their money locally thus supporting our own economy.

To learn more about what Help Idaho is doing for local businesses or how they may be able to help you, please visit www.helpidaho.com.



Brandon Nelson with Help Idaho accepted a \$250 check. Help Idaho is a resource for small businesses and is based in Eagle.



Cory and Stacey Hofman with Ghana Make a Difference accepted a \$500 check from the MYAC group. The money will help feed 330 children for a day.



May 13, 2013, the Mayor's Youth in Action Committee (MYAC) along with Eagle mayor Jim Reynolds and MYAC adviser Susan Christenson met together to present checks to two local organizations.

HELP WANTED MYAC Advisor

The City of Eagle, Mayor's Youth in Action Council (MYAC), is actively seeking an adult Advisor to assist in providing guidance and leadership to our team of local teens.

The MYAC currently has about 20 dedicated and enthusiastic members and has just completed one of its most successful years of community service. Our overriding goal is to provide local high school age teens the opportunity to become involved in the betterment of their community, increase their leadership skills and enhance their knowledge of local government. The MYAC routinely meets weekly during the school year on Monday nights at Eagle City Hall from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

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Did you know the Eagle Rodeo is a community fundraiser? Started in 2001 by a group of good friends who saw a real need in the community, they figured a rodeo would be a great event to drum up support, as well as become a fun local event. Celebrating its twelfth year of in-your-face, action-parkin', chap-flap-pin' fun, the Eagle Rodeo has done just that.



and better each year thanks to our sponsors and fans," says Tracy Baggerly, Eagle Rodeo President. "This year we have added money to bring in some of the best stock riders around, and it should prove to be very exciting."

Located just off highway 44 and Eagle road, the gates open at 5:30 each evening starting with amazing drill teams, kids mutton bustin' and steer riding, followed by the grand entry,

bareback riders, ropers, bulldoggers, bronc riders, barrel racers, and finally the bad boys of rodeo... the bull riders. It's an action packed night of some of the greatest roping and riding you'll ever see. And who could forget the party in the beer garden?

Known for an "up-close and personal" experience, the Eagle Rodeo is

a real crowd pleaser, so get your discounted tickets early at D&B Supply or Eagle's - Les Schwab Tires before they sell out. Regular priced tickets can be purchased at the gate. If you'd like to become a sponsor - it's never too late - contact tracy@progressivefs.com. For more information about Eagle Rodeo events and mutton bustin' entry forms go to: www.eaglerodeo.com. You can also follow them on Facebook.

Over the past 11 years thousands of dollars have been donated to local organizations. Every ticket you purchase goes to support such organizations as Boy Scouts, Ada County Sheriff's Department, the Eagle Chamber of Commerce, the Star and Eagle Food Banks, and many more. This year's recipients will be: the Ada County 4-H Endowment, the Joshua M. Tillery Memorial Fund, Mini Joys, Inc., and Personal Ponies of Idaho.

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Once banished for being high in fat, this fruit is making a healthy comeback. A medium-sized avocado contains 30 grams of fat, as much as a quarter-pound burger. That's why diet experts have long urged Americans to go easy on avocados. But now we are finding that most of the fat in an avocado is monounsaturated -- the "good" kind that actually lowers cholesterol levels.

Perhaps the biggest health benefit of avocados is that by adding avocado to certain foods, you can improve your absorption of nutrients. This means that when you combine other fat burning foods with avocado, you can improve your nutrient absorption up to 400%! Avocados can reduce the signs of aging, regulate blood sugar and improve eye health.

Avocados provide all 18 essential amino acids necessary for the body to form a complete protein. Unlike the protein in steak, which is difficult for most people to digest, avocado protein is readily absorbed by the body because avocados also contain fiber. If you are trying to cut down on animal sources of protein in your diet, or if you are a vegetarian or vegan seeking more protein, avocados are a great nutritional ally to include not merely as an occasional treat, but as a regular part of your diet.

Used creatively, avocados can add variety and good nutrition to your diet. Instead of spreading butter or cream cheese on your bread or bagel, use some mashed avocado instead. Replace that mayo you'd usually put on a sandwich with avocado slices. You'll not only save calories, you'll be cutting out saturated fat and increasing your daily intake of monounsaturated fat as well.

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JOE'S VIEW

You think I would learn not to start big projects in February because June is around the corner and I won't get them done before I want to play outside!

The nice March weather had me outside trimming trees and grapes, getting the garden cleaned up and figured out, raking out fall leftovers and watching the bulbs come up. There was that first sunny spring day not long ago and it felt so good just to be out in a T-shirt soaking it in like a lizard on a rock.

This year I started two projects: a bathroom remodel and my second book.

The bathroom and the book came to a grinding halt. And now the pressure begins. I can't go into another fall with these things still on my list. They must be finished.

The goal was to have the majority of the bathroom done by about now so summer could be spent with the new windows open, a paint brush in hand, and a bucket of grout mixed for the tile. It didn't quite go that way.

I suppose it is good to have plenty to do. It seems like the people that are bored in life never have a smile on their face. Those with nothing to look forward to also never seem to have the feeling of accomplishment and completion. Personally, I cannot imagine a life without something to do, all the time - even if I have to create it.

The room still looks like the small bedroom it once was aside from some framing. I know what I need to do. There is a plan, and for some odd reason in February there seemed to be plenty of time.

That "something" might be doing nothing, but even that has a purpose. It allows time to think, and plan, and to get excited. I look at work in any form as an opportunity to prove to myself that it can be done.

Project two started when I was home for a "sick day" and really didn't feel like busting out studs and drywall. I was sick remember. I decided to do a bit of computer maintenance and started organizing some old files.

It has taken me a long time to learn how to deal with stress and to identify how much of it I put on myself. I have been asked "why are you going to all that effort?" I do it because it bothers me if I don't do it. I have to take it from my mind, through my hands and feet, to the activity or motion, to the end result. Only then do I feel completion.

With the New Year, I made up some 2013 folders for things like my Independent Newspaper columns. While gathering up 2012, 11, and 10 then 9,8,7,6,5,4 and so on back to 1994 when I started writing, I remembered that I had promised some people that by now I would have compiled the best of these columns into a book.

It is naive to think that you can never have too much to do. That is just silly. Of course you can be overloaded. That is when decisions have to be made, priorities established, and the most powerful of all things... learning to say "NO." Even if I have to say "NO" to myself.

Why not start today! So I did. This was in February also. I'm still working on that one too. 90 pages are done, but I have about 200 more to go!

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It is not happy people who are thankful; It is thankful people who are happy.

Patience is something you admire in the driver behind you, but not in one ahead. ~ Bill McGlashen

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A TEACHER'S *Perspective*

CARPE DIEM 2013

By Anna Eaton-Merkle

It is the time of year where in I try to write down words of wisdom for my graduating seniors. I can usually come up with something meaningful and specific to that class – it seems like every year's class has particular things that identify it: state championships, academic honors, outstanding community service, artistic achievements.

Maybe my dilemma for 2013 is really that they are so varied in their talents. EHS Class of 2013 boasts seven merit scholars, four military appointments, team state championships in girl's track, boy's golf, and drama, individual state championships in debate, photography, and H.O.S.A., not to mention two finalists for Presidential Scholarship Awards.

They are truly a group of young adults that will set the world on fire as they venture out. But advice? I just couldn't think of only one or two things. So I narrowed it down to three.

The first one came to me, unfortunately, earlier this spring. I lost a dear friend of mine, with whom I graduated from high school 30 years ago. He was the superstar of my high school – great athlete, great personality, great looking.

He was a friend to everybody except himself, and that, I think, was his tragic flaw. He didn't allow himself the opportunity to live up to all that potential. Years of living with no regard to the future eventually took its toll on his health and sadly, he passed away at the young age of 48.

His legacy remains strong in his amazing 20 year old son, and I do have hope that all that potential will find its way to the surface through him. So piece of advice #1: Do NOT let high school be the high point of your life. High school should be the foundation from which you launch yourselves, not the zenith of your journey.

My second bit of advice came strangely to me from the season finale of *The Office*. While I did enjoy that show, I was never the kind of fan that watched religiously and recorded every episode. However, I did watch the last show and one of the charac-

Anna Eaton-Merkle has taught English at Eagle High School for the past ten years. When she isn't teaching, she spends her time writing, gardening, and painting. This summer she will be working hard to look at least 10 years younger in preparation for her 30 year reunion coming up in August.

ters offered this: "I wish there was a way to know you're in the good old days before you've actually left them."

This really rang true for me and I wish for my students that they never forget to stop and appreciate everything in each phase of their lives. If I have learned nothing in the last 30 years, it is simply that. The sentiment "Time flies" is not a cliché – it is so true that it scares me sometimes. Just ask me how fast the last 30 years has slipped by. The best we can do is pay attention.

My last bit of advice comes from Joseph Campbell and most of us know it well. To paraphrase, he said, "Follow your bliss." Even though this seems simplistic, it is a truth that we often forget when determining direction for our future. "Follow your bliss" means listen to your gut feeling about what makes you truly happy, about what you should be doing with all the opportunities that come your way.

It means also that YOU are the only one who can determine what will really make you happy in the long run – not your wallet or any degree hanging on a wall. As Campbell went on to say, "If you follow your bliss, you put yourself on a kind of track that has been there all the while, waiting for you, and the life you ought to be living is the one you are living." This has been a theme in my class all year, and I hope that if my students take nothing else with them as they leave for bigger and greater things it is that.

A student summed it up beautifully in a poem written to the prompt Carpe Diem. Although the entire poem was lovely and thought provoking, this last stanza will stick in my mind forever as the motto of EHS 2013.

*We'll call ourselves the sunset eaters,
the dawn devourers;
We'll burn holes
in the world's stone places –
And we'll build our lives inside of them.*
Congratulations to the Class of 2013.
You have already burned a place in my memory.

uCritic Tom Wick, Universal Critic

Oblivion, with Tom Cruise, is a scenic, cinematography, and CGI wonder. The mesh between people, props, and CGI is seamless and flawless. It really is worth seeing on the big screen for the scenery alone, at four bucks though, not ten. I enjoyed the movie and will probably see it again.

The story line isn't entirely original but there are enough plausible twists to keep the momentum going all the way to the end, which, although predictable, is still a good story. While the acting is above par, the dialogue seems to have been written by some ninth graders.

The scenery, most of which was simple and clean, yet not sterile, is incredible. Cruise's flight pod and drones are actual props (not CGI) and the drone activity is fantastic, they look like they're really flying.

There is one over-the-top scene at the end where Tom Cruise yells with a contorted face at his nemesis, a know-it-all sentient computer system (kind of like VIKI from *I, Robot*) that has ruined his life. I'm pretty sure some pseudo-sentient computer system isn't affected by Cruise's brash tongue and most of the audience laughed at this scene it was so ridiculous. However, don't let one poorly directed scene turn you off; it's a good show worth seeing. If you don't see it at the theaters, hopefully you have 1080p capability on your TV.

And, wow, speaking of special effects, don't miss *Iron Man 3*. If you haven't seen the first two *Iron Man* movies - no worries, the charac-

ters from the backstory aren't critical to this story. In fact, in *Iron Man 3*, the movie takes you back to 1999, introduces the characters that will be in the movie, then goes back to the present and continues onward. So there you go, you don't need to see the first two movies.

In short, Tony Stark (*Iron Man*), who is a self-centered jerk and hero, ignores this guy, Aldrich Killian (yes, weird name=bad guy), who wants to discuss with Tony a mutual business/scientific venture. Stark, the jerk that he is, ignores Aldrich. Aldrich, who obviously didn't read *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, doesn't "try, try again", but instead, becomes bitter and turns evil.

If you're thinking, "Hey, wasn't this the plot line from *The Incredibles*?" Well, you're right, it is actually. In fact, both Aldrich and Syndrome (the bad guy from *The Incredibles*) have big hairdos. So, the real lesson here is, if you know a guy with an unusual name and big hair, he's a bad guy, and may even sell cars. And like Syndrome, Aldrich dies in the end, instead of getting sucked into a jet turbine he gets toasted, like the marshmallow you drop in the campfire, yeah, it kind of looks like that.

There was one funny part in the movie, where the bad guy Aldrich can actually breathe fire, this guy next to me says, "That seems a bit far-fetched." Really? Isn't the idea of a guy flying around in an iron suit a bit far-fetched? It is, so just enjoy the movie. Oh, and be sure to stay past the credits, as with any Marvel movie, there is a short humorous sketch at the end.



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News from True North at the Landing

True North at The Landing is excited to offer workshops in Basic Computer Applications for adults who missed the computer revolution while still in school. If you are interested in learning basics from Microsoft Office to placing an ad on EBay, this class is for you.

The first workshop will be June 11, 12, and 13 from 3:00 - 4:30 pm; cost is \$75. If interested, please call True North at The Landing at 938-0385 and leave a message for Layne. Registration is limited, so securing a place early is a great idea.

Also offered this summer: Test Prep courses and individualized instruction for ACT and SAT Tests. True North is the only Test Prep Program that can offer subject specific instruction with teachers certified in subject areas. If interested, email Adam at truenorthprep@yahoo.com.

Don't forget, True North at the Landing also offers Test Proctoring for online classes, individualized tutoring in all subject areas, and a variety of classes and workshops. The newly refurbished Chapel and hall are also available to rentals for private functions. While the webpage is being updated, please call for additional information or look for posts on Facebook. Have a great Summer!



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*A dad is someone who wants to keep you from making mistakes
but instead lets you find your own way, even though his heart breaks in silence
when you get hurt.*

*A dad is someone who hicks you when you cry,
scolds you when you break the rules, shines with pride when you succeed,
and has faith in you even when you fail...*

Join on June 16 at 9:15 for Father's Day breakfast to honor fathers.

*"I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly."
(John 10:10)*

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Around Eagle

By Mayor Jim Reynolds

You may be among those who have received a survey from Jim Everett and the folks at the YMCA. The growth and success of the West Y on Discovery Way has inspired community organization to expand their horizons.

Eagle is one of the cities under consideration for a new Y that will offer an aquatic center along with other facilities to enhance and support our local recreational interests. The Y's highly successful model seeks to adapt the local facility to the community in which it resides. If we are fortunate to be selected, it will serve Eagle, Star, Emmett, Meridian and Middleton.

Hopefully, you have heard about ACHD and their ongoing meetings with Eagle businesses and civic interests to review the handling of the growing traffic on Eagle Road. Although it is not a public meeting, per se, a number of local citizens have attended and had the opportunity to better understand the process and the options at hand.

The previously proposed roundabout at Eagle and Old State is deemed too disruptive to properties in the Four Corners area. The consensus seems to favor retaining the intersection as is, and routing traffic around the downtown area by one-way streets.

Readers will recall the name Bill Paddock and his company Phoenix Performance Plumbing, manufacturer of blowers and injection systems for race cars. Bill and Dan Richter are working to develop the Eagle MotorSports Complex and industrial park at Avimor, a planned unit community just north of Eagle.

The Eagle Mayor's Youth in Action Council recently held their last meeting of the year, and it could be the last meeting for quite a while. This year's MYAC was the most successful we have had in terms of retention over the school year. These guys are the achievers who frequently are involved in a

myriad of activities: sports, band, chorus, and leadership development.

Each year we have refined the planned activities to gain the most member involvement. Susan Christenson has done such a magnificent job coaching and guiding the group's activities. Alas, personal commitments to her family will dominate Susan's time for the foreseeable future. A number of requests for help have not brought us someone to fill Susan's shoes. If you are a teacher or citizen who could commit the time to be a positive influence in these student's lives, we need you. Please call me at 939-6813.

Eagle celebrated the Field of Honor again this year as a tribute to our current military troops and veterans. The American flags bear the names of honored friends and family who have served their Country. The lighted flags at evening cast a sobering mood over the Field. Many thanks to Kathy Coburn for her tireless efforts creating this event year after year.

Your Eagle City Council will soon be launching into budget discussions. The Council welcomes your input on policies, projects and programs under consideration. The huge growth in housing projects coming to the City has overwhelmed our Planning and Zoning as well as our Building Departments. And that is a good thing. We will adapt.

Avimor has begun the annexation process with its 23,000 acres of spectacular vistas. The planned Eagle MotorSports Complex and industrial park is expected to attract a number of manufacturers for the automobile aftermarket. They envision these businesses employing graduates of CWI's CNC Machining Programs and other trained machinists. The school can graduate up to 200 trained CNC Machinists per year. It will be good for our City.

City of Eagle Meetings

Eagle City Hall

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Eagle City Council Meetings

2nd and 4th Tuesday • 6:30 pm

Planning and Zoning

Commission Meeting

1st and 3rd Monday • 6:00 pm

Park and Pathways

Development Commission

3rd Tuesday • 6:30 pm

Eagle Arts Commission Meeting

1st Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Eagle City Hall

Eagle Sewer District Board Meeting

2nd Monday of the month • 6:00 pm
District's administration building
44 N. Palmetto Ave., Eagle, 939-0132

Eagle Historic Preservation

Commission Meeting

2nd Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 pm, Eagle Historical Museum (67 E. State St.)

Eagle Government Relations

Committee Meeting

4th Wednesday, 9-10 am,
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Eagle Senior Center

312 E. State Street, 939-0475

Monday

Exercise at 9:00 am

Tuesday

Lunch and Pinochle at 12:00 pm

Wednesday

Exercise at 9:00 am

Thursday

Lunch and Bingo at 12:00 pm

Friday

Exercise at 9:00 am

EAGLE LIBRARY June Events

***SUMMER READING PROGRAM

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ON-GOING PROGRAMS:

Monday, June 3, 10, 17, 24

Baby Reader: 10:30 am
(ages birth – 18 months)

Stories, songs, and fingerplay for babies from birth to 18 months & their caregivers.

Monday, June 10, 24

Underground Book Club:

3:00 - 4:00 pm (Teens- Grades 8 - 12)

Pick up the first book, "Divergent", at the circulation desk and be ready to discuss June 10th.

Tuesday, June 4, 11, 18, 25

Toddler Time:

10:30 am (ages 18 months – 3 years)

Stories, songs, and fingerplay for children and their caregivers.

Tuesday, June 4, 18

The Writer's Forum:

1:30 - 2:30 pm (Teens—Grades 10-12)
A student-guided forum. Teens are invited to present their own and explore peers' creative writing. A new topic is introduced each week.
1st topic: "Behind the Curtain."

Wednesday, June 5, 12, 19, 26

Music & Movement:

10:30 am (ages birth – 5 years) Children are invited to participate in this interactive program with their caregiver.

Open Wii:

12:00 – 2:00 pm (Teens -- Grades 7 – 12)
Weekly summer program for middle and high school students to come & play Wii.

Knee Deep in Legos:

3:00 – 5:00 pm (ages 6+) Weekly program for children ages 6 – 12 to use their creativity in building/designing with LEGOS™.

Tales to Tail:

4:00 – 5:00 pm (ages 5+)
Practice your reading skills ---- Read to a friendly, attentive dog! Sign up for a 15-minute session at the Children's Room Reference Desk.

Thursday, June 6, 13, 20, 27

Preschool Story Time:

11:15 am (ages 3 – 5 years) Join Miss Ruby Slippers for stories, songs, and surprises.

Friday, June 7, 14, 21, 28

Bilingual Story Time:

10:30 am (ages birth – 5 years) Stories, songs, and fingerplay in English & Spanish.

Friday, June 7, 21

Knitting Club:

10:00 am (adults). Share your passion for knitting, learn new techniques, and enjoy socializing while creating items to be donated to various charitable organizations.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

Monday, June 3

"Dig into Reading" Planting Party:

1:00 p.m (ages 6 – 12). What better way to kick off "Dig into Reading" than with dirt and seeds! Use your creativity to design flowerpots, then plant your choices of flowers and seeds.

Tuesday, June 4

Games:

3:00 pm (ages 6 – 12)

Drop in for Board Game Day! Choose a game to play from our collection, including Chess, Checkers, Yahtzee, Dominos, Scrabble, Uno, Boggle & Apples to Apples.

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Thursday, June 6

Matinee Movie:

3:00 pm (ages 6 – 12) Join us for free popcorn and a movie! Today's feature film is The Borrowers.

Monday, June 10

Singer Rick Meyers:

1:30 pm (ages 6 – 12) Portland, Oregon musician, Rick Meyers, will delight children with his Old-Time Music Show, featuring music from unusual instruments such as spoons, musical saw, ukulele, nose flute, and washboard.

Tuesday, June 11

Crafty Kids:

3:00 pm (ages 6 – 12) Create your very own gnome house to entice these magical creatures to your home.

Thursday, June 13

Matinee Movie:

3:00 pm (ages 6 – 12) Join us for free popcorn and a movie! Today's feature is Nim's Island.

Friday, June 14

Minute to Win-it:

1:00 pm (teens) One minute. 60 ticks around the clock. What can you do in a minute? Use household items to complete tasks... You have a MINUTE TO WIN-IT!

Monday, June 17

Carnivorous Plants:

1:00 pm (ages 6 – 12) What makes a carnivorous plant "carnivorous"? Staff members from the Idaho Botanical Gardens will bring in and demonstrate a variety of carnivorous plants, and will assist kids with making a model of a Venus Flytrap to take home.

Tuesday, June 18

Kids Can Cook:

3:00 pm (ages 6 – 12) Mud pies, worms, spiders! Learn to make some BUGTASTIC DESSERTS!

Wednesday, June 19

Pajama Story Time:

7:00 pm (ages 3 – 10) Come in your pj's for stories, songs, a craft, and a bedtime snack.

Thursday, June 20

Matinee Movie:

3:00 pm (ages 6 – 12) Join us for free popcorn and a movie! Today's feature is A Bug's Life.

Monday, June 24

Indiana Bones:

1:00 pm (ages 6 – 12) Award-winning storyteller Indiana Bones, Keeper of Legends, combines history, archeology, paleontology, and action and adventure with his unique storytelling ability. With the use of artifacts, fossils, lively puppets and a crack of his bullwhip, he leads his audience on a journey through time.

Tuesday, June 25

Crafty Kids:

3:00 pm (ages 6 – 12) Boogie Buggles! The most fun you will ever have with pennies and pipe cleaners.

Thursday, June 27

Matinee Movie:

3:00 pm (ages 6 – 12) Join us for free popcorn and a movie! Today's feature is Fantastic Mr. Fox.

Friday, June 28

iACT Theater Group:

1:00 pm (teens) Does the thought of performing excite you? Do you ever think about writing your own play and then seeing it come to life? Do like to watch a good show? Come watch teens from a local theater company, iAct, perform their own original work and then discuss the process of creating, directing and performing a show.

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Eagle Chamber of Commerce June 2013 Calendar of Events

June 6, 2013

Eagle Chamber "Cash Mob" Experience

8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Evan's Building Center, 931 State Street, Eagle
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Ribbon Cutting & New Location Open House

10:00 am - 9:00 pm Open House
11:00 am Ribbon Cutting
Fusion Glass Studio, 135 N 2nd Street, Eagle

June 7, 2013

Eagle's "First Friday" Event

"Discover Eagle"
Local and Downtown Eagle Businesses.
ART ~ FOOD ~ MUSIC
4:00 - 9:00 pm

June 11, 2013

Eagle Chamber of Commerce Membership Luncheon Meeting

12:00 Noon - 1:00 pm, Eagle Hills Golf Course
605 N Edgewood Lane, Eagle
Open to Chamber members and to the public
Member lunch cost: \$12.00
non-member: \$15.00
Reservation required by noon Friday, June 7, 2013

June 13, 2013

Eagle Chamber of Commerce "After Hours"

5:00 - 7:00 pm
EYE 2 EYE ~ Keen Eye Vision Center
440 E State Street, Eagle

June 14, 2013

Eagle Chamber of Commerce

"Eagle Golf Classic" Benefit Tournament

1:00 pm registration,
2:00 pm Shotgun Start
Shadow Valley Golf Course, 15711 Highway 55, Boise

June 18, 2013

Eagle "Eye Opener" Morning Networking Event

7:30 am - 9:00 am
Aqua Pro Spa & Pool, 2959 N Eagle Road, Meridian

June 20, 2013

Ribbon Cutting & Grand Opening

4:30 pm
Brain Balance Achievement Center of Idaho
3210 E. Chinden Blvd., Eagle

June 28, 2013

Ribbon Cutting & Open House

5:00 pm Ribbon Cutting,
5:00 - 8:00 pm Open House
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Eagle Fire Department gets equipment upgrade ITD says safety improvements planned for highway 16

By Philip A. Janquart

Eagle Fire Department personnel recently held a demonstration in honor of Shauna Hill, the Eagle High School student killed while driving her car across Highway 16 in December 2012. At the center of the demonstration was a new piece of equipment purchased with funds raised by Shauna's father, Edward.

Since his daughter's death, Edward has worked tirelessly to educate the public on the dangers associated with negotiating Highway 16, and even asked that donations be made to a special fund in Shauna's name instead of sending flowers.

The funds were recently used to purchase a Hurst JL500 scissor cutter for the Eagle Fire Department, the type of tool used to free Shauna from her car. She was still alive when responders arrived at the accident scene.

The speedy work of emergency crews gave medical staff at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center a chance to save her. The promising young dancer's brain, however, swelled and she went into a coma, was later declared brain dead and taken off life support.

If nothing else, Edward and his family were able to say goodbye.

Time is often the difference between life and death, according to Eagle Fire Department Division Chief of Public Relations and Prevention Nevil Humphreys.

"These new scissors have more cutting force and there is actually more speed to it," Humphreys said. "It cuts quicker and that makes a difference in shedding minutes off the time it takes to get someone out of a vehicle. Every minute counts when a person is injured and needs medical attention."

Humphreys added most people don't understand the vehicle is extracted from around the victim; the victim is not extracted from the vehicle.



Eagle Fire Department Divisional Chief of Public Information and Prevention Nevil Humphreys stands with the department's new Hurst JL500 scissor cutter used in vehicle extractions. The new piece of equipment was purchased with money from the Shauna Hill Memorial Fund. Her name will soon be permanently engraved into the cutter.



Pictured above is Eagle Fire's spreader tool, also known as the 'Jaws of Life.' It complements the department's scissor cutter.



Emergency crews demonstrate a vehicle extraction during a public event last summer. The crew removed the roof, doors and lifted the dash in about seven minutes.

"You are actually cutting the vehicle away from the person, not cutting the person out of the vehicle," he said. "The first responder engine on the scene, those guys get inside the vehicle, stabilize the spine, do their 'abc's,' airway, breathing and circulation, stabilize and mobilize the victim until the next crew starts extricating that vehicle away from the victim. The scissor and spreader are used in conjunction with one another."

The demonstration, held at Eagle Fire Station No. 1, illustrated how fast fire-fighters can work with the tools, cutting off the roof of the car, its doors and lifting the dash in about seven minutes, according to Edward.

"It was cool," he said. "They have great gear and now this particular piece of equipment has Shauna's name on it."

Humphreys said the temporary lettering will soon be replaced by permanent

engraving. The memorial fund, Edward said, is now permanent and will be used to purchase more life-saving equipment for Eagle Fire. Those wishing to make donations to the Shauna Hill Memorial Fund can contact the Eagle Fire Department at (208) 939-6463.

Highway 16 too dangerous?

Meanwhile, Edward continues his quest to make Highway 16 safer for motorists, hounding the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) for safety modifications and contacting state representatives for support.

He says the speed limit on Highway 16 is too high and that traffic lights need to be installed. He has spent the last five months trying to convince the ITD it needs to take action.

"I think there is some good stuff happening," said Edward, who hand-delivered a petition to ITD Chief Deputy Scott Stokes. "The ITD is doing a comprehensive study out there and some safety measures are going to take place."

At the time, Shauna's was the second fatality in as many months, according to Edward. Another crash just eight weeks ago involved a large gravel truck nipping the back end of a car driven by a teenage girl as she attempted to cross the highway from a side road. The car spun around and came to a stop; the girl walked away without serious injury, Edward said.

"These issues should have been fixed years ago," he said. "But I think we are starting to crack the gridlock [with ITD]. We might have some light at the end of the tunnel."

"I met with Mr. Hill and share his passion for improving safety on Idaho 16 and all highways," Stokes wrote in a statement to The Independent. "I listened carefully to his suggestions on how to improve safety and shared those with ITD District Engineer Dave Jones for evaluation. By the end of May, ITD will discuss with Mr. Hill and release to the media a plan to make Idaho 16 a safer highway for all users."



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7th Annual Smith & Coelho Art Show

By Jennifer Anderson

Friday, April 26, 2013, the Real Estate Company of Smith & Coelho hosted their seven annual fine art show in their offices at 1151 E. Iron Eagle, Eagle. A chance to give something back to the community and most importantly their customers, the art show is juried and brings together many fine artists from around the Treasure Valley.

The art show is an opportunity for local artists to show their work, make contacts, and gain a little attention for their chosen art medium. Artists must go through an application process and pay an entry fee to participate. This year's show garnered approximately fifty applicants with twenty-four chosen to participate.

Wall space was at a premium as guests filed through and admired paintings, pottery, metal art, jewelry, and more. Music from the Single Car Garage Band set the beat for a fun evening catered by Eighteen1 as folks explored, mingled, and purchased a perfect piece of art for their home or office.

Additionally, Smith & Coelho selected student artists from local schools to display their art. It was a non-profit event designed to bring clients together in something other than a business setting.

Don't miss next year's show, it's worth the wait.



Smith & Coelho Real Estate Company hosted their 7th annual fine art show on Friday, April 26, 2013.



Marsh Liebich and Jordan Liebich pose with artist Linda Aman. Jordan has participated in some of Linda's workshops and loves them.



Music for the evening was provided by the Single Car Garage Band.



Diana, Mary, Ron, and Gary Pridmore. Ron was displaying his work for the evening including many interesting landscapes.



Susan Chaloupka displays her Japanese looking lanterns.

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Eagle Saturday Market back in full swing

April 20, 2013 kicked off Eagle's twelfth annual Saturday Market. Running every Saturday until October 12, the Market is an

eclectic collection of vendors ranging from hand-made arts and crafts; and home grown meats and vegetables to one-of-a-kind hats and local food vendors.

Blessed with beautiful Saturdays throughout April, the market was bustling as the aroma of barbeque and popcorn filled the air along with musical regaling from artists like Danny Beale and Rochelle Smith.

During opening day, the first 50 patrons were given a 6-pack of gladiolas provided by McClaskey's Glads and Produce and city officials were on hand to welcome market goers to one of Eagle's best summertime events.

The market is held from 9 am - 1 pm in downtown Eagle at Heritage Park. Plan to take the morning ranging the stalls, visiting with local craftsmen and women and sampling the unique food items sure to find a new home on your pantry shelf.

For more information about upcoming events at the market, visit their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/eaglesaturdaymarket>.



Eagle Saturday Market runs every Saturday through Oct. 12 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm in Heritage Park, downtown Eagle.



Warm spring days drew large crowds to the market's opening day.



Check out Ozseeker the Clown and her crazy balloon animals for your next gathering.



Rochelle Smith was just one of the great musical talents entertaining on market day.



You will find an eclectic and interesting group of vendors at the market. Stop in often to see what's new.

The Eagle Arts Commission's mission is growing and celebrating the arts to strengthen community. It was established to promote, educate and develop the arts for the citizens of the City of Eagle.



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June Artist - Lisa Marten

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I have formally studied art at Seattle Pacific University and the University of Wisconsin Madison. I have two Bachelor's degrees from Northwest University, one in Youth Ministry and one in Psychology. I began pursuing art full time in 1999. I started my business, 'revelatorART' in 2001. I have been able to utilize art therapy in counseling sessions with children and youth. I have also taught art in multiple workshop settings. I can be contacted at revelatorart@yahoo.com



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Change of location for the 2013 Star Quilt Show

This year's Star Quilt Show will be held at North Star Charter School at 839 N. Linder Rd., Eagle, ID. The show has continued to grow and this year will have 80+ quilts on display.

Running Friday and Saturday, July 19-20 from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, the show will have a \$3 admission fee, but will be worth every dollar. Displays of vintage, traditional, and contemporary quilts from all over the country by talented quilters take the art to a remarkable level of excellence.



Rae Gunning and Gina Stewart will be in Eagle most Saturdays outside of the Ye Olde Sweet Shoppe selling raffle tickets for the Star Quilt Show. Stop by and check out the raffle quilt - you'll want to get a ticket!

As in years passed, the show will feature a Viewer's Choice award, featured quilter, raffle baskets, and quilts for sale. This year, vendor booths have been added for additional variety at the show.

If you are interested in participating in the Star Quilt Show please contact Judy at 286-7595.



This year's Star Quilt Show will be held in July at North Star Charter. Part of the proceeds from the show will benefit the school.

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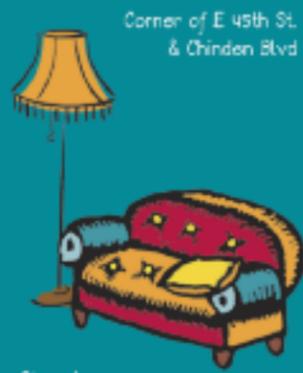
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Idaho Central Opens New Branch in Downtown Eagle

Eagle, ID – Idaho Central Credit Union (ICCU) officially opened their 13th branch in the Treasure Valley in downtown Eagle at 768 East State Street. The Eagle branch is ICCU's 20th location in Idaho.

To celebrate the opening, Eagle Chamber of Commerce members along with ICCU's corporate executives, local management, employees, and customers came together for a ribbon cutting on April 25 from 4:30 – 6:30 pm.

"For some time now, our members from Eagle have been asking for a branch. We're proud to fulfill that request," said Kent Oram, ICCU President & CEO. "The west end of the Treasure Valley continues to grow and we plan to grow right along with it."

"At a time when other financial institutions are closing or relocating, we're committed to expanding to meet the needs of our expanding membership," added Oram.

Over the last three years, ICCU has opened new branches in Boise, Burley, and Caldwell. Their 21st branch at Eagle and Ustick is under construction and due to open in May.

ICCU celebrated their opening by giving \$100 to new members who open an account with checking.

About Idaho Central Credit Union

Idaho Central was organized as a state chartered credit union in 1940. The credit union's administrative office is located in Chubbuck, Idaho. Idaho Central has 400 employees serving over 132,000 members with 20 locations throughout the state and over \$1.3 billion in assets. Idaho Central is a full-service, federally-insured financial institution. For an Idaho Central location near you, please visit ICCU.com.



A large crowd gathered for ICCU's ribbon cutting on April 25, 2013.

Local American Family Insurance Agent Pete Dover earns American Star Excellence in Customer Experience Certification

Madison, Wis. May 16, 2013 – Pete Dover, an American Family Insurance agent in Eagle, Idaho, has been recognized for providing outstanding customer experience under the American Star Excellence in Customer Experience Certification. Dover joins other American Family agents who have demonstrated the highest level of commitment to outstanding customer service.

Dover has been an agent for American Family since May 2002. His office is located at 408 S. Eagle Rd., Ste.102, Eagle, ID 83616.

"When choosing an insurance agent, consumers can rely on the American Star Excellence in Customer Experience Certification to help them identify agents with a proven dedication to meeting customer needs," said Dan Schultz, American Family president and chief operating officer. "This is an outstanding accomplishment."

Dover has qualified for this award for 5 years. Congratulations Pete!



Id Cent Cr Un: Located in downtown Eagle at 768 East State Street, the Eagle branch is ICCU's 20th location in Idaho.

Café Crane celebrates important first year anniversary

In Asian culture, a child's first birthday is celebrated as a joyous occasion; likewise other first year anniversaries are often highly distinguished.

Café Crane celebrated its one year anniversary by holding an open house and inviting the Eagle Chamber of Commerce for a ribbon cutting on April 17, 2013.

Located in the Winco shopping plaza at 3130 E State Street Suite #105, Café Crane Espresso~Bakery and Catering is home to some of Eagle's best cinnamon rolls, sticky buns, pastries, quiches and flat bread pizzas.

Café Crane is committed to growth as a business and as a part of the Eagle Community. They are dedicated to providing excellent service and sustaining a well-rounded company for their family and employees.

Chefs, Kaitln and David, are the magic behind the counter. Kaitlyn studied at Le Cordon Bleu College and David has had 23 years of professional baking/chef experience. With their expertise, they serve their popular signature dishes.

Café Crane landed in Eagle in May 2012 with their logo - a three legged crane. The symbol stems from Asian culture with each of the three legs symbolizing heaven, earth,



Cafe Crane is located at 3130 E State Street Suite #105 in Eagle.

and mankind. The three legs work in harmony and Café Crane strives to do the same. Their hope is to provide an environment where you feel perfect harmony while enjoying your coffee and baked goods - all natural ingredients from the earth!

Providing services such as catering and event planning, the Café Crane Catering Menu is designed for personal and group orders. Choose from our baked rolls, sweets and sandwiches to customize your order and suit your taste. Please visit their website at www.cafecrane.com or stop in for a fabulous cinnamon roll today at 3130 E State Street Suite #105 in Eagle.



Cafe Crane owner Sunny Kim welcomes Mayor Reynolds and Chamber President Gretchen Gilbert to her one year anniversary open house.

Matt Balch names manager of Zions Bank's Eagle & Chinden Financial Center

BOISE; May 7, 2013 — Matt Balch has been named manager of Zions Bank's Eagle & Chinden Financial Center, located at 6176 N. Eagle Rd. Balch is responsible for business development, customer service and overall management of the financial center and its staff.

He previously managed Zions Bank's Boise Fairview & Cole Financial Center and prior to that was assistant manager of Zions Bank's St. George Financial Center in Utah. He joined Zions Bank in 2005.

Balch earned a bachelor's degree in finance from Southern Utah University. He and his wife, Jenna, live in Eagle with their daughter.



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Alternative in critter control improves safety, benefits landowners

By Reed Hollinshead

"I have had multiple calls in Eagle already, as many as three in one day. It is a bad year there. Horse owners are recognizing the danger to their animals because they are finding so many holes in their pastures." – Matt Brechwald, owner, Idaho Gopher Control

When most people think of gophers, the cute little furry image of Bill Murray's nemesis in Caddyshack comes to mind. In reality, though, the more appropriate image is of money slipping through your hands. Especially for landowners or those with horses and livestock on pastureland, gophers can create a huge, costly problem.

Like most cleaning efforts, this one has the potential to save time and money. Unlike many of those efforts, though, the savings can be much greater. Residential and commercial landowners benefit. Crops and pets also benefit. It may even be a loved one or neighbor that benefits.

Compared to the hundreds of thousands of dollars many landowners have invested in their holdings – land, livestock, or otherwise – safeguarding it against gopher damage is a smart hedge against loss.

"Already this year, it is apparent that gopher damage is on the rise," said Matt Brechwald, owner of Idaho Gopher Control, a Kuna-based business that eliminates the threat in a non-traditional manner. "I have been inundated with calls from heavy gopher damage, and breeding season has just begun. Colleagues in the gopher-control business in Eastern Oregon are also seeing high densities of gophers."

Backyards, gardens, golf courses, farmland, ditch banks – they are all venues for the destructive potential of gophers, ground squirrels, moles and other burrowing pests.

Irrigation is the lifeblood of southern Idaho, but the ditch bank is especially vulnerable to gophers. They can tunnel from a ditch bank under an adjoining road, undermining the surface. And if water gets into those holes, the damage occurs that much faster. That's exactly what happened last July when gophers tunneled under a local road in rural Canyon County, causing a 15-foot x 40-foot sinkhole that claimed the life of 32-year-old Sonia Lopez on her way to work in the morning.

The price is not always a life, but these pests cost us all in the long run. The farmer loses ground and loses crops to these pests. Landscapers and property management firms lose when gopher mounds damage equipment and ruin scenic vistas. The homeowner loses their backyard or garden as the gophers isolate and kill off trees, vines and other vegetation.

Brechwald said there are generally three types of damage from gophers:

"First is agricultural, in which crops suffer from lack of water and damage to their root structures. Also, farmers lose yield in crops like alfalfa because the people cutting their hay raise their blades to avoid dirt mounds caused by gophers. This leads to a yield loss because of the higher cutting height. Tree growers see seemingly healthy trees wilt and die because gophers have 'girdled' their roots by chewing around the circumference underground."

"Second are landowners with horses. So far this year, it seems especially hazardous to horse owners with gophers in their pastures. The gophers dig their tunnels just inches beneath the surface but leave the soil looking solid. A horse unwittingly steps on top of the tunnel and the ground disappears beneath its hoof. This can cause falls, bone breaks, or joint and ligament damage.

"This is also dangerous to any riders who could potentially be thrown from the horse," Brechwald added.

"Last is residential damage. This type of damage can cause hundreds to thousands of dollars of damage to landscaping as gophers come up under newly laid sod. Gophers are attracted to hills and berms, so they frequently tunnel through raised landscaping damaging weed matting, irrigation equipment, flowerbeds and retaining walls."

Residential damage is especially bad in new subdivisions that have been built on what was previously agricultural land, according to Brechwald. Frequently there will be several homes that border undeveloped lots. The gophers go unchecked in the undeveloped lots, breed and multiply. As the population density grows, the gophers spread out into the yards of homes that have been built, causing significant damage to landscaping.

Businesses and residents have begun to fight back, with a humane, effective alternative.

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Matt Brechwald

Idaho Gopher Control services southwest Idaho and the Treasure Valley. For more information, please contact Brechwald at matt@idahogophercontrol.com or (208) 573-0978. Information about them can also be found on the company's website, www.idahogophercontrol.com.

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Honalee Farm event center hosts Star Chamber

By Jennifer Anderson

The Star Chamber of Commerce's April evening networking event, held April 25, 2013, was hosted by Eagle and Star's pristine event center, Honalee Farm.

A family owned and operated farm for the last twenty years, the property expanded into an event center November 2011. Owner Jimmy Houston, a landscaper by trade, has created a venue with ample photo ops, substantial parking, and spectacular vistas surrounding a versatile event center.

Room for 220 guests inside with room for an optional 450, the event center is designed with large sliding doors opening the center for a truly outdoor feel without the outdoor fuss. Situated on 24 acres the center is available for all your gathering needs whether it's a family reunion, wedding, memorial, business retreat or more.

Honalee Farm boasts a 2500 square foot event center complete with AC and heat, bride and groom quarters, full commercial prep kitchen for catering needs, table rounds, chairs, banquet tables, and everything else needed to make your occasion perfect – including on-site wi-fi.

Honalee Farm is a venue with ample photo ops, substantial parking, and spectacular vistas surrounding a versatile event center.



Outside features include a pond with water features, lawn space for volleyball, croquet, and horseshoes, RV power hook-ups, amphitheater seating, and two acres dedicated to parking.

Jimmy said he's had this vision for a while and with their amazing location south of Hwy 44 between Eagle and Star off Moon Valley Rd, Honalee Farm is a very attractive property for all your indoor/outdoor celebrations.

Learn more about Honalee Farm by visiting www.honaleefarm.com, or call for a tour: 286-0533. Their address is 7010 Moon Valley Rd., Eagle.



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During the Star Chamber evening networking event, members paused to celebrate Honalee Farm with a ribbon cutting.

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Additional details and order forms can be found on the club website, www.starlions.org, by emailing banners@starlions.org or calling 286-9576.

The Mayor's Scholarship Program awards 6-10 scholarships each year with the Lions club handling the student applications and interviews and making recommendations to the mayor. Other projects include donations to the library's summer reading program, the food bank, and eyeglasses for those in need.

The Star Lions Club meets at El Mariachi Loco on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 6:30 and noon respectively. Meetings are open to the public.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board of Ada County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on June 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Main Hearing Room #1235, on the first floor, at 200 W. Front Street, Boise, ID to consider 201300316 ZOA, Ada County: A zoning ordinance text amendment to amend the Ada County Code to allow for a third time extension for approved development applications. If approved, the time extension request would allow developers up to an additional two (2) years to complete their project.

The request requires a public hearing before the Board of Ada County Commissioners. Auxiliary aids or services for persons with disabilities are available upon request. Please call 287-7900 or 287-7979 (TDD) by 5:00 p.m. prior to this public hearing so that arrangements can be made.

Planner assigned to project: Megan Basham, AICP at 287-7944.

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Try the Brazilian Blowout at Todd Stewart Salon

By Jennifer Anderson

October will mark the Todd Stewart Salon's ten year anniversary and Todd is thinking about making it an event to remember. The salon, located west of Eagle Rd. off old State Street in Eagle has Eagle's signature western feel with rustic, rough stained boards on the outside, but a decidedly non-rustic feel on the inside.

Todd brought a bit of the California, beach front feel when he relocated his highly successful business to Eagle, and the bamboo colored floors and trim, and natural light filtering in through the blinds add to the ambiance.

After the hustle and bustle of the big city, Todd relishes the laid back, relaxing atmosphere of Eagle. He said he loves the,

"new restaurants and new flavors, where there is enough business to go around and everyone has fun."

While the staff enjoys the laid back atmosphere of Eagle, it doesn't mean they get sloppy in their work. The salon staff undergoes quarterly training to keep their skills current and consistent. Todd says the salon caters to the "conservative, with a little contemporary mixed in." It is this focus on hair and nothing else that makes Todd and his staff great at what they do.

Some of Todd's stylists talked about their experience working for Todd in Eagle. Ashley, said, "The close relationships that are built in the salon are extremely rewarding, especially watching families grow." Another stylist, Justin, said, "Eagle is really diverse and has a great city atmosphere." Keri said, "We're all a team and when one of us is running behind, we ask if we can help."

Todd's specialty, "client satisfaction," is one of the reasons he started his own line of hair care products. When clients complained of having eighty different hair products in their closets, he determined to create a product able to work simply and effectively with little build-up and great results. The most popular are the hairspray and the styling lotions. His success with his Todd Stewart line of hair care products adds significant credence to his motto, "simply hair."

During the months of June and July, the salon will be offering several hot specials (see the ad and coupon on page 10). As always, new clients can visit the salon website at www.tssalon.com for a first time client coupon, but for the next two months clients

will also receive a deep conditioning treatment with every full color service, and can also take advantage of the salon's Brazilian Blowout special.

A Brazilian Blowout is a hair smoothing treatment designed to leave the hair straight, silky, and soft. The regularly \$250 - \$300 treatment is available for \$150 during June and July (hair below the bra strap is extra). The

treatment lasts for approximately 12 weeks and now is the perfect time to give it a try.

The Todd Stewart Salon is located at 180 West State Street, Eagle, and can be reached at: (208) 939-9867. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm, and Saturdays from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. Check out their website www.tssalon.com for a first time client coupon.



The staff at Todd Stewart salon are ready to take your hair to a whole new level. Stop in and see what they can do for you at 180 West State Street, Eagle, or give them a call at 939-986

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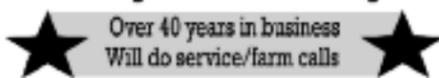
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Star's Hometown 4th of July Celebration

The 4th of July Celebration in Star!

Star's Hometown Celebration is getting closer and this year, the 4th of July promises to be a fun day in Star.

Many of the daytime events are the same as in year's past; the BBQ, Pie Auction, Kid's Activities and Water Fun with the Star Firefighters, all taking place at Blake Park.

The parade begins at 11AM and the afternoon activities are expected to run until approximately 2PM.



A schedule of the entire day's activities will be inserted in the next Independent News, so watch for it!



There are some changes and additions this year:

Cash Prizes for Best in Parade

The biggest change this year in daytime activities is the annual parade. Because this is a 4th of July event, patriotic themes are encouraged, particularly for the kids that want to decorate their bikes and be a part of the parade.

In addition, there will be cash prizes awarded for parade entries in the following categories:

Patriotic, Creative and Best Music!

Each winner will receive \$50 in cash.

The parade will follow the usual route west on Hwy 44 through town and there is no entry fee or pre-registration. Just show up all decked out at 9:30AM at the entrance to the Rockbridge subdivision by El Mariachi Loco restaurant.



After the daytime activities conclude (approximately 2PM) and everyone has had a chance to go home and cool off, the evening activities will begin at 6:30 at Hunters Creek Sports Park. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket; there will be refreshments available throughout the evening. Do NOT bring pets or personal fireworks!

Star Has Talent!

The Star Talent Show will kick off the evening and is a great opportunity for Star residents of all ages to showcase their talents.

Please note that the performances the night of Hometown Celebration have been through an audition process; only the top in each age group will be performing for the crowd for cash prizes. The Hometown committee is fortunate to have the former talent coordinator for the River Festival assisting with this event to ensure a professional production. The goal is to provide some terrific entertainment by and for Star residents.

Deadline for audition applications is June 7th, and applications are available at Star City Hall.

Live Music by The Fabulous Chancellors



After the Talent Show, Star residents will be treated to the good time music of this terrific band. They have been making music in the Treasure Valley and nationally for many years and have a wide range of songs that appeal to just about everyone.

Fireworks in Star!

The City of Star is sponsoring a professionally produced fireworks display for the community and it will be great to have it right here in Star for the residents to enjoy. The fireworks show will take place at approximately 10PM.



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Star Elementary receives funds for walking/running track

By Philip A. Janquart

Physical Education teacher Lennette Meyer has worked at Star Elementary for 21 years. For 10 of those, one of the biggest items on her wish list has been a new running/walking track.

Meyer began raising funds to build the track on her own through fundraisers, but a new partnership between the City of Star, St. Luke's Hospital and the school will cover the cost while promoting healthy living habits for school children and the community.

"St. Luke's is going to purchase the track and put it in for us," Meyer explained. "The partnership consists of them coming out putting on clinics and different events in our small community to help promote health and preventative health habits."

Crews will break ground at the school in mid-June, the construction lasting about a week. The quarter-mile, 10-foot wide, oval track will be made of asphalt, pursuant to Meridian School District regulations, and comes at a cost of approximately \$26,000. Pro Paving LLC, of Nampa, has been contracted to complete the work.

Meyer said the city's role will be providing activities through the parks and recreation department and, although the idea is in the infant stages, possibly helping to defray the cost of additional equipment to complement the new track.

"We've only briefly talked about it, but we will continue to talk with the city about it," she said.

The idea to approach St. Luke's came from the parent of a Star Elementary student.

"Kevin Taylor actually works as a physical therapist for St. Luke's," she said. "He went to them and we've been meeting with (Olympic

gold medalist) Kristen Armstrong and others from St. Luke's about our goal and vision this summer. Kristen is the Director for St. Luke's Community Health program. She goes out into the community to help ensure St. Luke's is promoting healthy living habits."

Part of that vision includes holding health screenings, fitness tests, passing on nutritional tips and stretching strategies, to name a few.

The money Meyer raised before St. Luke's stepped in will now be spent on other school needs.

"We were over half way there, then St. Luke's came in and said they wanted to do the

whole thing, so the money we have will be put toward a new sound system for the gym, new stage curtains and other things throughout the building that are in need of replacing or things that need to be purchased," she said.

The new track will have lines painted, creating four lanes,

and will be open to anyone in the community. Meyer said the track will enhance school-related programs.

"We have all kinds of running events during the school year, but the track we have now is only about a foot-and-half wide and is overgrown with grass and potholes," she said. "I've been waiting for this for a long time. I have a running/walking program where the kids can earn tokens and then we have jogger fundraisers and other running events. I just wrote two grants, one for a 100-mile walking club and another for a boys and girls eight-week running program, so I hope we get those grants because now we have a venue where we can do these activities."



The current field behind Star Elementary will soon be transformed into a new walking/running track for the entire community's use.

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So, here's where I don't get it. Maybe as a child of the 1970s there was more, innate humility amongst us. I would have been red-faced with embarrassment and wouldn't have ever told my parents about getting kicked out of a local business. So, what's happened to our youth? Why the change and where did it come from?

I'm not saying they're bad kids. But, I have to wonder what has changed in a generation to foster such a difference? The current rubberized version of the Whoopee Cushion has been around for nearly 100 years. You think I would have come across it as a kid. But, would I have test-driven it in the middle of a store? Not on your life. The question over the differences in the generations may just be answered in a shrug of the shoulders and a simple, "Times have changed," reply.

Like a bear going back for honey, a week later Margaret and her friends couldn't resist the belly laughs. They returned to Walgreens, bypassed the make-up counter and headed for aisle 6. There they were ... all three of them, plopping down on the Whoopee Cushions. I guess they figured getting booted from Walgreens a second time was a small price to pay for good, clean fun.

I would have been mortified; never wanting to show my face inside the store again. But as I recently learned, our youngest spawnette, Margaret, takes rejection—and possible humiliation in stride. She is now "persona non grata" at the Eagle Walgreens.

You've probably seen them, young teens cruising around Eagle. They're usually in groups of three-to-five girls. They're too young to drive, but old enough (and just trustworthy enough) to turn loose on our little community—for short periods of time. Armed with a small amount of money and cell phones, they make their rounds, which may or may not include a stop at the library, a free cookie at Albertsons, a milkshake at Doug's Burger Den or perusing the make-up counter at Walgreens.

Margaret and her friends have now taken Walgreens off their list.

She and her cronies were kicked out of the store for making fart noises. A few weeks back, when we had nice weather, she and her pals walked into town. They made their stops and ended up in Walgreens. The deal breaker came when they discovered the FLARP! Self-Inflating Whoopee Cushions that boast a "BIG SOUND." She and her friends were having a grand ol' time plopping down on the cushions right there in the middle of aisle 6. They did this over and over again.

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June Calendar of Events

Summer's on the way! Heat up Sales w/ Star Chamber Businesses!

June 6th: Star Chamber Member Meeting w/Guest Speaker.

6:30 pm at Star City Hall meeting room. Networking, raffles (bring one to share), updates on committees and Chamber educational. Join us with our special guest speaker Steve Ackerman, business analyst, "Understanding How the New Healthcare Law & the State Healthcare Exchange Affects Businesses". Q & A with speaker. Seeing you there!!!

June 8th: Open House. 1:00 – 4:00 pm at Momz Garage.

Raffles, food, networking, shop tour with classic car projects, Show 'n Shine and BBQ with potluck. Enjoy the scenic mountain views, perennial gardens and foothills. Free to the Public. LOCATION: follow the "A" frame signs from State St./Can Ada Rd. Go north on Can Ada Rd. to Lanktree Gulch Rd. and onto High Prairie Place. Please bring: a side dish or dessert, a car buddy, your significant other, and your classic car (if you own one)! Momz Garage will have BBQ meats available until gone, plenty of refreshments and some fun car theme raffles. Members of the Star Chamber of Commerce see the company's website at: www.MomzGarage.com.

June 20th: "Out To Lunch". 11:30 am at Garlic Charley's

(corner of Star Road & Hercules Drive in Star, Idaho). Premiere networking event in Star. Join us for lunch, networking, raffles, meet and mingle, best Business of the Month awarded and new nominations for the following month. Bring a raffle item and you'll get to talk about your business!! Bring your business cards or flyers to share and network at this event.

June 20th: Ribbon Cutting. 1:05 pm at City Hall.

Immediately after "Out to Lunch". Biz TBA.

June 20th: Open House/Mixer. Keen Eye Vision

(off Hwy 44 at 170 Seneca Springs, Star). Public: 1:00 – 5:00 pm refreshments and meet the staff. Chamber Mixer: 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

*Keen Eye & Eye 2 Eye in Eagle are combining businesses. We look forward to seeing you there. See the company website: <http://keeneyevision.com/> See their ad on page 9 in The Independent News June edition for more information about the event!

For more information on the Star Chamber: www.StarIdahoChamber.com



Star Parks and Recreation

We, the City of Star Parks and Recreation committee, are dedicated to providing and preserving the highest quality of parks and services for as many citizens as possible with the resources available.

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Or, if you have ideas for new programs we would love to hear from you!!

For current Star Parks and Recreation activities, information, and registration visit <http://staridaho.org/parks/activities.php>, call 286-7247, or visit City Hall.



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Soup, Cereal, Canned beans, Spaghetti sauce
Peanut Butter, Canned fruit and vegetables, Toilet paper
Cleaning supplies, Personal hygiene items

Drop off locations:

• Morning Star Dental • City Hall
• Star Fire Department • Food Bank • Star Dental

Fresh Produce:

We now have small vegetable garden that will feed the Star Food Bank. Fully expecting that this will be successful, we hope to offer a Community Garden to residents of Star next year. The land was donated by Mary Kuehn of Salon and Co. on Star Rd.

Do you need help, or know someone that does?

Contact Christina at 919-1100.

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Star Senior Center 102 S. Main Street, 286-7943

Center's Hours: 10:00 am to 1:45 pm

June Activities

June 3 – Shopping at Walmart

Contact Bethe @ 869-6288

June 5 – Goldmine newsletter

June 7 – Blood pressure

taken by Star's firemen

June 12 – Board meeting

June 12 – Hearing clinic:

11:00 am – free

June 14 – Foot clinic:

cost \$20 – starts at 10:30 am.

June 17 – Outing to a senior center:

Contact Bethe @ 869-6288

June 19 – Birthday recognition

June 19 – Music by Nadine and Dale:

11:00 am.

Regular Weekly Activities:

- Dominoes and pool before lunch each Wednesday and Friday.
- Bingo after lunch each Wednesday and Friday.
- Pinochle each Friday at 7 p.m.
- Books, books on tape, VCR movies, and cassette tapes are available in the office.
- Bus is available for pick up if you need a ride to the Senior Center (286-7943).
- Lunch and bus rides are on a donation basis.

***July 4 – Star Celebration Days need pies for Pie contest and pie auction.**

Cash prizes at Saddle Brook Club House. Pies need to be at the club house by 9 am. Please bring two pies – one for the contest and one to auction off at 1 pm at Blake Park. Proceeds benefit the Star Senior Center. Pie will also be sold by the slice as well as drinks.

STAR LIBRARY - June Events

Mondays: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24

Preschool Play and Learn Story Time

(ages 3-5) at 10:30 am.

Monday Manga Madness

(teens) from 4:00 – 5:00 pm.

A time to share favorites and socialize.

Tuesdays:

Special Summer Programs every

Tuesday at 2:00 pm:

June 4 – Bike Rodeo at the library; test your skill and learn the safety tips! Free bicycles for kids with parent registration.

June 11 – Magician Jason Byers will astound and amaze you!

June 18 – Rocks and Gems – learn and play

June 25 – Storyteller Christopher Leebrick will tickle your funny bone!

Wednesdays: 6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26

Star Knitters meet at the library each

Wednesday morning from 10:30 - 12:30 pm. Open to anyone interested.

Archaeology Club

(grades 1- 6) at 3:00 pm. Learn about artifacts, ancient coins and maps this month.

Thursdays:

Babies and Music (ages 0-3)

at 10:30 am – 6/6, 6/13, 6/20, 6/27

Thursday teen programs

(12+) at 4:00 pm:

6/6 – Teen Maker Time

create a "Beneath the Surface" mural, worry stones, or cartouche pendants

6/13 – Jeopardy Contest

"Beneath the Surface"

6/20 - Pizza 'n Books

you bring a book you've read,

we provide the pizza

6/27 – Video Scavenger Hunt

SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

"Beyond the Book" discussion (adults)

Saturday, 6/8 at 10:00 am.

This month we are reading Nora Ephron's

"I Feel Bad About My Neck".

The book is available at the library.

Please join us for a spirited discussion.

*Preschools and daycares are welcome to call

the library to schedule a story time visit!

Just call 286-9755.

For more information on any program, please call Star Branch Library 286-9755

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www.staridaho.org/departments/cityclerk.php

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JUNE EVENTS

For event submissions or to view current, updated calendar information please visit our website at www.theindnews.com.

Library calendars, Eagle and Star city meetings, and Chamber of Commerce information can be found listed separately throughout the newspaper and on the online calendar at www.theindnews.com.

Saturday, June 1

Eagle Saturday Market

9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Heritage Park, Eagle
Fine crafts, fresh produce, live music.
Don't miss it!

Bike Rodeo and Boat Inspection

10 am – noon, Eagle Island Marketplace (Fred Meyer)
Bring your Bike and Helmet to the Rodeo and have fun with our driving course, bike inspections, helmet fittings, child ID kits and refreshments...Free! Save time and aggravation, get your boat inspected before you head out the lake.

Tuesday, June 4, 2013

Eagle Foothills BMX Race

6:00 – 9:00 pm,
Eagle Foothills BMX facility
Participate in one of the newest Olympic sports, BMX racing, or relax and enjoy the excitement and action for free as a spectator.

Thursday, June 6, 2013

Eagle Chamber

"Cash Mob" Experience

8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Evan's Building Center
931 State Street, Eagle
Support your Eagle businesses by shopping local!

Fusions New Location Open House

10:00 am - 9:00 pm Open House
11:00 am Ribbon Cutting
135 N 2nd Street, Downtown Eagle
Tours, demonstrations, food by Delicious, wine tastings from 3 Horse Ranch & music by Jake Van Paepeghem. Featured Northwest kiln glass artist Christopher Gibson.

Star Chamber Member Meeting

With guest speaker
6:30 pm at Star City Hall meeting room. Networking.

Friday, June 7, 2013

First Friday in Downtown Eagle

Visit the following business for a taste of Eagle

Wild West Bakery & Espresso:

live music with Carter Freeman and dinner specials.
Dinner begins at 5PM;
music from 6:30-9:00PM

The Gallery At Finer Frames:

Michael Dustin's western and wildlife paintings and Idaho potter, Rick Jenkins. Live demonstrations, tasty treats and wine provided by Indian Creek Winery. 5-8PM

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Saturday, June 8, 2013

Eagle Saturday Market

9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Heritage Park, Eagle
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Don't miss it!

Star Chamber Open House

1:00 – 4:00 pm at Momz Garage.
Raffles, food, networking, shop tour with classic car projects, Show 'n Shine and BBQ with potluck.

Tuesday, June 11, 2013

Eagle Chamber of Commerce Membership Luncheon Meeting

12:00 Noon - 1:00 pm
Eagle Hills Golf Course
605 N Edgewood Lane, Eagle
Open to Chamber members & the public
Member lunch cost: \$12.00
non-member: \$15.00
Reservation required by noon Friday,
June 7, 2013

Thursday, June 13, 2013

Eagle's 12th Annual ICA Rodeo

5:30 pm at the rodeo grounds (HWY 44 and Eagle)
Purchase discounted tickets at D&B Supply or Eagle's – Les Schwab Tires
See www.eaglerodeo.com for a list of times and events.

Learn to Paint with Michael Dustin

6:00 – 8:00 pm, The Gallery at Finer Frames. Learn tips and tricks to painting with oils with award-winning painter Michael Dustin. \$35 includes supplies, demonstration & lesson.
Space is limited

Friday, June 14, 2013

Eagle Chamber of Commerce "Eagle Golf Classic" Benefit Tournament

1:00 pm registration,
2:00 pm Shotgun Start
Shadow Valley Golf Course
15711 Highway 55, Boise

Eagle's 12th Annual ICA Rodeo

See www.eaglerodeo.com for a list of times and events.

Flag Day

Saturday, June 15, 2013

Eagle Saturday Market

9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Heritage Park, Eagle
Fine crafts, fresh produce, live music.
Don't miss it!

Eagle's 12th Annual ICA Rodeo

See www.eaglerodeo.com for a list of times and events.

Sunday, June 16, 2013

Happy Father's Day!

Tuesday, June 18, 2013

Eagle Foothills BMX Race

6:00 – 9:00 pm,
Eagle Foothills BMX facility
Participate in one of the newest Olympic sports, BMX racing, or relax and enjoy the excitement and action for free as a spectator.

Thursday, June 20, 2013

Brain Balance Ribbon Cutting

4:30 at 3210 E. Chinden Blvd.

Star Chamber "Out To Lunch"

11:30 am at Garlic Charley's (corner of Star Road & Hercules Drive in Star, Idaho). Premiere networking event in Star followed by a ribbon cutting at City Hall.

Open House/Mixer

Keen Eye Vision
Hwy 44 at 170 Seneca Springs, Star. Public: 1:00 – 5:00 pm refreshments and meet the staff. Keen Eye and Eye to Eye are combining business.
Chamber Mixer: 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

Saturday, June 22, 2013

Eagle Saturday Market

9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Heritage Park, Eagle
Fine crafts, fresh produce, live music.
Don't miss it!

Brain Balance Grand Opening

Join Brain Balance and other business in the Eagle Marketplace at 3210 E. Chinden Blvd. for a parking lot bash from Noon – 5 PM.

Monday, June 24, 2013

Eagle Foothills BMX Race

6:00 – 8:00 pm, Eagle Foothills BMX facility
Participate in one of the newest Olympic sports, BMX racing, or relax and enjoy the excitement and action for free as a spectator.

Tuesday, June 25, 2013

Eagle Foothills BMX Race

6:00 – 9:00 pm,
Eagle Foothills BMX facility
Participate in one of the newest Olympic sports, BMX racing, or relax and enjoy the excitement and action for free as a spectator.

June 27-30, 2013

NorthWest ChiliFest

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The popular Ladies Night on Wednesdays is back this year with free admission for the ladies!

Les Bois Park is located at Ada County's Western Idaho Fairgrounds, 5610 Glenwood St., Boise, Idaho. Hours of operation are 10AM to 10PM Wednesday through Sunday. For more information including a full live and simulcast racing schedule, visit <http://www.lesboispark.com/> or call (208) 258-2177.

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Mother's Day Car Show hot, hot, hot

By Jennifer Anderson

The day before Mother's Day, on May 11, Momz Garage, in conjunction with the Star Chamber of Commerce, held its annual Mother's Day Car Show. With hot cars, hot music, and hot weather, the parking lot of Estrella Plaza was packed with cars, and families enjoying the unusually warm weather.

Sixty-six cars graced the show and hundreds of people, including individuals, couples, and families, came out to enjoy a walk down memory lane. The beautifully restored cars in flaming reds, flamingo pinks, aquamarine blues, and more brought oohs and aahs from some and moments in time for others.

Some of the top winners included a '71 Dodge Demon, '55 Crown Victoria, '33 Ford 3 Window Coupe, and a 1923 T. Bucket.

Other winners included the Star Food Bank as three barrels of food were collected during the car show. Also on hand was the Make a Wish Foundation with a 1972 Malibu they will be giving away during the July 14th Motor Fest Car Show in Boise. Tickets for the car were \$5 with 100% of the proceeds going to the Make a Wish Foundation.

The jump house and scavenger hunt through local businesses kept the kids busy, and kids and adults alike enjoyed the live music of the Smooth Avenue Band.

Organizers Tamara Sullivan-Watson and husband Corey Watson were pleased with the turn out especially with the number of car shows in the area that same day.

Congratulations to the winners of the Momz Garage 2013 Mother's Day Car Show.



The Watson Family of Momz Garage are strong supporters of the Star Chamber of Commerce and many other events and organizations supporting Star.



The variety of classic cars spanned decades and was a walk down memory lane for some.



Barb Larson, Megan Burrow, and Connie Lightfield were the pleased recipients of some beautiful hanging baskets.



Best in Show went to Barb and Ron Larson for their 1971 Dodge Demon

- Best of Show:**
Barb & Rob Larson, '71 Dodge Demon
- Lucky 7 winners:**
Phil & Sandy Gardner, '34 Ford Coupe
Alfie & Connie Lightfield,
'55 Crown Victoria Skyliner "Miss Vicky"
Mandy & Duane Jorgenson,
'33 Ford 3 Window Coupe
Frank Cardinale, '55 Dodge Royal
Stuart Robertson, Big Yellow Truck
Dan Lizbory, '23 "T" Bucket
Chuck Waho, '71 Dodge Demon



Winners of the 2013 Mother's Day Car Show.



Local band Smooth Avenue kept things hopping during the show.



Laney and Riley Johnson enjoyed the bounce house during the car show.



Make a Wish Foundation was on hand with a 1972 Malibu they will be giving away during the July 14th Motor Fest Car Show in Boise.

Congratulations!

Kirtley and Larsen engagement

Butch and Denise Kirtley are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Megan to Chris Larsen, son of Curtis Larsen and Vonnie Larsen. Both are graduates of the College of Idaho, where they met in 2008. Chris is a salesman for Idaho Distributing and Megan runs her family business, Star Mercantile, and is a realtor for Group One. The couple will be married this September at The Club at SpurWing.



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The Boise Co-op turns 40!

The Boise Co-op, located at 888 W. Fort St. Boise, is celebrating their 40 year anniversary with a street fair planned for June 22 from Noon – 6:00 PM.

By Jennifer Anderson

From its inception in 1973, through several moves, and an on-going evolution of what it means to be healthy, the Boise's Co-op is about to turn 40. The member owned cooperative, located at 888 W. Fort St. Boise, is celebrating this 40 year milestone with a street fair planned for June 22 from Noon – 6:00 PM.

The free community event will showcase local vendors, musicians, children's activities, cooking demonstrations, wine & beer tasting and more and will take place on Union Street and in a portion of the parking lot. Tastings and special activities will be on going throughout the day in the Boise Co-op main store, Pet Shop and Wine Shop.

A Closer Look at the Co-op

The Deli Department

About a year and a half ago, the Deli took a decidedly delicious and ambitious turn for the best. Focusing on using in-season, organic, local, and GMO free ingredients the Deli stepped up their game and it has had amazing results.

Chef Alex Cardoza puts time and attention into small batches, rotating the hot dishes regularly, and always looking for ways to improve and new recipes to try. Some of the more popular dishes are the grilled kale and the Thai/Indian dishes.

The deli section also carries Toni's All Natural Ice Cream (made in Sun Valley) and has a great smoothie bar. Also available are made to order sandwiches, burritos, and other lunch items.



Matt Gelsthorpe poses with the Co-op's newest acquisition, Firestone Parabola. This adds to their already substantial collection of 497 different beers available.

Beer/Wine Department

The Co-op carries 497 different beers and offers, "bottle shop service, bottle shop selection." Customers can mix and match six packs to try different varieties giving the beer and wine shop a very boutique feel. The newest addition to their selection is the Firestone Parabola, stop in and expand your tastes – see what you've been missing.

Meat and Dairy Departments

Offering a wide array of meats from poultry, beef, pork and more to different color eggs and raw organic milks, the Co-op carries amazing and interesting options when it comes to animal by-products. Most products are locally grown, antibiotic free, and grass fed, appealing to many who are struggling with dietary restrictions or those just interested in eating clean and pure.

Supplements and Body Care Department

Assuming a holistic philosophy regarding health care that wellness is fostered through healthy choices, the Co-op carries a large variety of supplements chosen for their clean ingredients and well researched successes. Experienced staff can help you find exactly

what your body needs to optimize your health from the inside out.

Recognizing our skin is the largest organ of our body, the Co-op also provides an extensive skin care and makeup line designed to protect and nourish your skin.

Produce

Part of eating healthy is being aware and educated about your food choices. The Co-op makes this easy with their signage in the produce area. Green signs denote organically grown produce which meets USDA national guidelines, yellow signs signify locally grown organic produce enabling you to support our local economy and maintain our sustainability, blue signs indicate growers who have chosen not to become certified through the USDA but still refrain from using synthetic/chemical fertilizers and pesticides, and finally white signs designate commercially grown produce.

Additional Co-op opportunities include the Beer and Wine Shop and the Pet Shop. The Wine Shop boasts one of the largest selections of wine in the Northwest, and the Pet Shop features natural, high-quality pet products so your pets can eat as healthy as you.



Items in the deli and bakery are made with only the freshest ingredients and include vegan, vegetarian, and gluten-free options.



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The Co-op carries an extensive cosmetic line designed to protect your skin as it beautifies.

If you haven't experienced the Co-op, June 22nd during their street fair would be a perfect time to see what you've been missing. If you are already a fan of the Co-op, come celebrate an amazing 40 years of bringing the best and healthiest choices to Boise, it'll be worth it!

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Eagle girls win lacrosse championship, earn back-to-back titles

By Philip A. Janquart

MERIDIAN – The Eagle High School girls' lacrosse team captured its second straight state championship and wrapped up a second consecutive undefeated season by beating Boise High School in an 11-10 come-from-behind victory May 21 at Rocky Mountain High School in Meridian.

The second-seed Braves were determined to knock off the league powerhouse Mustangs and proved their point early on, running to a 3-0 lead about 5 minutes into the first half.

It was a first for the Mustangs who are accustomed to commanding leads in high-scoring games. But head coach Jon Craig has spent much of his time conditioning his players to be cool under pressure.

"It was a very intense game," he said. "Boise is a high-energy team and they wanted to jump out quickly. We average 18 to 19 points a game, so their strategy is to get some points on the board, then stall. They sat on it and that was their strategy for dealing with us. The way to stop our offense from scoring is to not let us get our hands on the ball."

The Braves couldn't hold off the Mustangs for long, however, Eagle breaking the ice with its first score of the night at the 18:53 mark. The celebration was short, Boise's Megan Lee returning the favor by sprinting half the length of the field and scoring just 11 seconds later to make the score 4-1 Boise.

The Mustangs kept their composure, unleashing a slew of shots on goal by Shannon Viehweg, senior Sydney Sell, Kristina Thompson and, finally, senior Samra Murray, whose shot made it past Boise goalie Emily Swank to cut the Braves' lead to 4-2.

Eagle goalie McKenna Sato held strong against a quick onslaught by the Braves and a goal by Viehweg brought the score to 4-3 Boise. Another goal by Jessica Craig tied it up at 4-4.

The Mustangs then took their first lead of the game when junior Allison Bingham scored on an assist from Sell to make it 5-4 Eagle late in the half.

The Braves answered with just six seconds left to tie the game at 5-5. Lee was in position to score one more before the half, but her shot was blocked by Sato at the buzzer.

The halftime talk

"They are baiting us on passes," Craig told his players at the half. "We are trying to push it downfield and they are jumping our passes. We can't rush it down to the other end; we have to work it . . . a lot of what they have right now is Megan Lee in the open field. We have to shut that down."

The Braves came out fast in the second half, Kenzie Ozuna scoring for Boise after just 28 seconds of play, but Eagle came back once again to tie the game up at 6-6.

Murray added another Eagle goal, but Boise would gain a 9-8 lead with just five minutes left in regulation. That's when the Braves once more initiated their stalling tactic in earnest, spreading their offensive players out and playing a game of keep away. The strategy worked for almost two minutes, Eagle unable to regain possession of the ball. Boise eventually lost possession and Eagle's Sell shot one by Swank with just 2:32 left to play.



The Eagle girls' lacrosse team poses together with coaches following their 11-10 championship win over Boise.

Eagle's offense found itself in front of Boise's goal with just 23 seconds remaining and a chance to break the 9-9 tie and end the game, but couldn't get a shot off before time ran out.

Overtime

Eagle scored first in overtime, but Boise evened the game at 10-10.

Alli Cammann scored the winning goal on an assist from Sell with almost two minutes remaining on the clock, Eagle forced into playing its own game of keep away. The Mustangs were able to hold Boise off until time ran out, winning the state championship 11-10.

"It feels great, it's awesome!" said Samra Murray, who ended the night with three goals. "We had a great test today. We've never played like this before. We just had to stay calm and once we got scoring, we just kept it going."

Senior Captain Sydney Sell attributes the come-from-behind victory to patience, poise and, most of all, friendship.

"I think it was remembering we are mostly a family, not just a team, and had to use our own bonds to help us get over those first scores," she said. "We were trained to be positive no matter what and not to get down on ourselves."

Coach Craig said he wasn't surprised his team came back the way it did, despite being down by three points so early on in the game.

"We just needed to keep our composure," he said. "The big thing about us is they are friends on and off the field and never got down on each other. In the huddle, we coach each other and build each other up. The expectation is that we are going to win; we trust each other. We've pounded that in, over and over, just get out there and do your thing and trust each other, and good things will come. They never thought to get down; they just said, 'Yeah, we need to make this happen.'"

Eagle ends the season with a 17-0 overall record, matching its 2011/2012 season.

Eagle 11, Boise 10 OT

Eagle (17-0)

Goals: Ali Bingham 3, Samra Murray 3, Shannon Viehweg 2, Alli Cammann 1, Sydney Sell 1, Jessica Craig 1.

Assists: Sell 4.

Saves: McKenna Sato 11.

Boise (13-4)

Goals: Megan Lee 6, Lily Buechler 1, Anika Ozuna 1, Kenzie Ozuna 1, Tess Goodwin 1.

Assists: Lee 1, Goodwin 2

Saves: Emily Swank 8.

Neto United Tryout June 3-7

U12's Boys Occupy 1st Place in Treasure Valley

By Philip A. Janquart

Neto United Soccer Club has announced competitive tryouts for boys and girls ages 10 to 17, to be held June 3-7, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Legacy Fields in Eagle. The club is looking for players to compete in the "D3" competitive league for the 2013-2014 seasons and has also announced it is starting a recreational league for U4 through U12 boys and girls. Cost is \$60 per season, plus a one-time \$30 uniform fee.

U12 boys Neto United Santos No. 1

Neto United's U12 Boys are currently the No. 1 team in their age group in the Treasure Valley.

"We are very proud of our U12 boys," Darnall said. "They have put in the time, the heart and the work and are reaping the rewards. They are all a great bunch of kids and we are very excited for them." For information on Neto United's Brazilian Touch summer soccer camps at Legacy, please log on to www.netounited.com.

Neto United, founded in 2010 by local resident Jerry Darnall and former professional and Olympic soccer player Jose Franca Neto, is growing at a steady pace, Darnall seizing the opportunity to do some things that have never been done before.

"In the near future, Neto will be starting a league for children with Down's Syndrome and special needs," Darnall said. "This was my intention when we started Neto and I wanted to call it 'Mattie's League,' after a wonderful 14-year-old boy with Down's here in Eagle. This would allow special needs children to get out and play a game of soccer every Saturday morning with their buddies. And, mom and dad won't have to drive too far to watch their child have some fun."

The Independent will keep readers posted on new developments regarding Mattie's League.

Darnall said Neto United is currently recruiting coaches and teams that want to practice and play close to home in Eagle, Star and Meridian. It's a luxury soccer families in the area have not enjoyed in the past.

"As opposed to playing at Simplot Fields in far East Boise, Neto plays about 50 percent of our games on our field," he explained. "In my car, it costs about \$13 in gas every time I take Brock or Bailey (son and daughter) the 43-mile round trip to Simplot Fields to play a game. Take that for a 10-game season, and your expenses to play soccer increase another \$130 a season."



Neto United Santos U12 Boys. Top row, from left: Kelton, Logan, Jaden. Middle Row: Travis, Peter, Brock, Brody and Reese. Front row: Hayden. Also Pictured are Coaches Jose Franca Neto and Jeff Schut.

More than just soccer

In addition to saving time, Darnall says Neto United is focused on developing players, as athletes and as human beings, one of the reasons he jumped at the chance to start the club with Jose Franca Neto.

"Neto United is a family soccer club in which the parents are involved with the success of their child," Darnall explained. "Jose, our former professional soccer superstar, has the background and skills to be a 'coach's coach' and help each and every player in the club to sharpen their soccer skills."

A big part of what Darnall and Franca Neto are about is teaching kids how to play the game while keeping things in perspective. The philosophy couldn't come at a better time following the recent tragedy in Salt Lake City involving a recreational league goalie who assaulted a referee. The 17-year-old punched referee Ricardo Portillo in the rear jaw after receiving a yellow card for pushing an opposing player. Portillo, 46, felt fine at first, but slipped into a coma at a local hospital and later died.

The incident has sent shock waves across the sporting world, many questioning the seriousness with which sports are taken.

Darnall said the tragedy in Salt Lake is just the kind of incident he and his coaching staff would like to see disappear from sports, noting that modern society puts a premium on winning at any cost.

"Neto United does not place all of its attention on winning (remember, we do have a No. 1 team)," he said. "Neto United's philosophy is that score boards do not determine the winner of every game. Respect, work ethic, development and teamwork are much more important than the score of any game. Our organization's success will be measured by how well we accomplish these objectives. Not by how many games we win or how much money we collect."

Eagle JV Softball Team wins District Championship

By Patti McGady and Jennifer Anderson

The Eagle High girls JV softball team had a great season this year with a winning record of 17 wins and 1 loss, the only loss against Mountain View by one run. They finished the season by winning the District III JV Championship on May 4, 2013.

Both JV and Varsity softball teams at Eagle High School won the district championships. The playoff tournament for JV consisted of 3 games in one day. The first game against Borah (22-4), the second game against Mountain View (10 to 0), and the third game for

the championship was against Rocky Mountain (5 - 4). Under the direction of 2 new coaches, Kellie Caplan and Krista Cobb, the 15 member team got along well and finished strong.

In a follow up to our April issue story on the varsity team, the varsity team played three games in the 5A State Championships in Coeur d'Alene on May 18, 2013, beating Highland 4-2, Coeur d'Alene 4-2, and losing the last to Lake City 10-0 to take second place. Congratulations to both teams for amazing seasons!

JV Mustang Softball Team:
(team members in no particular order)
Adrianna Cavazos (pitcher),
Olivia Tooley, Martha Tooley,
Jenna McGady (pitcher),
Madison Strickler,
Alyssa Lyda, Anna Strong,
Brynn Robertson,
Carolina Helsing,
Hailey Victor, Haley Crane,
Samantha Whitley (pitcher),
Haruka Ishikawa, Kat Olsen,
Kiah Pulley, Paige Smith



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Star Elementary's annual "Dream Mile"

By Mickie Park

Star Elementary held their annual Dream Mile run during the first week of May. The annual event is something the students look forward to every year. Wearing their favorite running shoes and tee shirts, they grab their water bottles and head for the starting line. It is a competitive race, but many students also run to challenge themselves and have fun with their buddies.

Mrs. Meyer, Star's PE Teacher, organizes the yearly race. She looks forward to the run because she enjoys seeing the physical improvement of her students throughout the year. She is always very proud of each and every student.

Mrs. Meyer's only advice to each student is keep your shoes on, keep running, and always have lots of fun. Congratulations to all participants!



5th Grade
Dallas Hagler, Taylor Marema, Joshua Hunsaker, Dylann John, Sandra Henrie, Hailey Ward



3rd Grade: Girls
Austyn Harris, Abigale Hobdey, Mia Wright

4th Grade
Jaxon Chandler, Aaron Jenkins, Joshua Nay, Ella Harris, Lauryn Mitchell, Savannah Levy, Aleeyah Hoyt



2nd Grade
Front:
Amy Payne, Gracie Moroney, Mercedes Rainey
Back:
Nathan Udink, Nathan Snelders, Harrison Bork



3rd Grade: Boys
Christian Tiner, Nathan Miller, Kayden Furness, Chase Jones

Urban Farm Girl TO DO LIST

By Joanne M.W. Love

Subtle changes occur as one evolves from city-slicker to farm girl. Things like actual mud in your mudroom and hay in every crevice of your car begin to go unnoticed; they become a standard in your life. Doesn't everyone drive around with hay collecting in the cup holders of their car?

Returning home from a luncheon with friends, it dawned on me my "To Do" list was downright crazy different from everyone else's. Mine read:

1) Pick up ducklings at Dunlap Hatchery (one of the kids is raising a duck to show in 4-H).

2) Vacuum up potting soil in bathroom (another kid has grown 13 tomato plants in my bathtub because it's the hottest room in the house).

3) Call to see if bull can come live with us for awhile to get the cow pregnant (cow still can't get pregnant after a 5 month sleep-over at bull's house).

4) Load pigs in trailer, then pick up kids at school (wonder if trailer can turn around in middle school parking lot), proceed to "4-H Pig Weigh-In" in Boise, then drop off 1 kid at lacrosse practice, drive pigs and 1 kid home, leave pigs in driveway and hop in different car to drive different kid to high school lacrosse game, drive back home to unload pigs from trailer with last remaining kid home to help, then pick up kid from lacrosse practice, kid from lacrosse game, then home.

5) Saw off goat horns.

Oddly enough, the pig-marathon day is not what makes me break a sweat. Sawing off goat horns...that tends to bring me to my knees.

This "To-Do" list item first appeared 2 years ago when our kids began showing goats in the 4-H Pack Goat competition. Our newborn goats had already been dehorned, however, frequently some of the horn cells aren't entirely destroyed and a "scur" can grow back.

A scur looks like a deformed piece of horn with a mind of it's own. Although not as vascular as a horn, and sometimes downright wiggly,

a scur can curve down, growing towards the goat's skull.

For the sake of the goat and per 4-H show regulations, when the scur didn't break off on it's own, I knew what needed to be done. First, pretend it wasn't happening for two more weeks, then . . . call Dr. Hardy.

Taking in two goats to a veterinary clinic is the equivalent of handling toddlers in an antique store. If you have papers of any kind nearby, they'll eat them. If the leash is in your hand, they'll eat it. And, if there's anything in any pocket of your pants or jacket, you'll have a goat in your pants or jacket.

Although Dr. Hardy's words were meant as a medical warning (goats are so sensitive to sedation that there's a fine line between sedating and overdosing), I've never been so happy to see a goat stop moving! They didn't completely stop moving, their noses just dropped to the ground and their gaze fixated on anything 8 inches in front of them. They were stoned and I won't kid you, I rather enjoyed them this way. The next task at hand was not a pleasant one for those of us with no sedation, although Dr. Hardy eagerly encouraged his apprenticing intern to get in close because "we don't get to see this very often." (Of course not, it's just us).

After meticulously prepping the goats to ensure their safety and comfort, Dr. Hardy used a tool similar to a saws-all to trim off the scurs. It was obvious the only one feeling pain was me, as I broke a sweat, holding still the back end of each goat.

I soon realized, I wasn't holding them down, I was holding them up. Picture a jackhammer sitting on your skull for 5 minutes, while you're high on drugs. Albeit they weren't in pain, they were definitely vibrated.

The next hour was spent monitoring them at home, making sure they didn't lie down and roll over. While they both stared intently at a fly on the fence, I got another call.... "The ducklings were ready to be picked up!" Right. I forgot #1 on my list.





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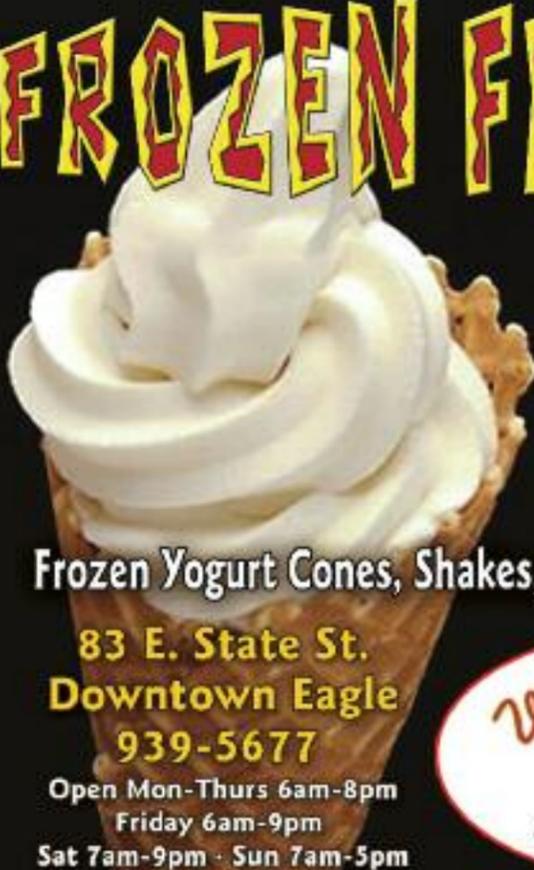
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Fusions Glass Studio

Visit the new building, 135 N 2nd St. Tours, demonstrations, food by Delicious, wine tastings from 3 Horse Ranch & music by Jake Van Paepegthem. Featuring Northwest kiln glass artist Christopher Gibson. 4-8 p.m.



This was Fusions Studio last month, stop by and see the finished product at this month's First Friday, June 7th.

Additionally, Fusions Glass Studio announces their move and grand opening celebration scheduled for June 6th and Friday, June 7th at 135 N 2nd St in downtown Eagle. Opening activities continue the following week.

Celebrating 10 years in Eagle, Fusions is moving to a custom built space in downtown Eagle. June 6th grand opening activities include ribbon cutting at 11:00 a.m. with the Eagle and Boise Metro Chambers of Commerce, studio tours, kiln glass demonstrations, door prizes & refreshments. June 7th activities include tours, demonstrations, food, wine & music during Eagle's First Friday event.

Class registration specials, summer youth project specials, sheet glass discounts, and kiln glass demonstrations will be offered during the week.



Musician Andrew Coba played for Wild West Bakery. Customers on the patio enjoyed the perfect spring evening.

Fusions Glass Studio is an open kiln glass studio & gallery. It is a place to learn, shop and create kiln glass. Fusions teaches classes, holds open studio, offers make-your-own kiln glass projects, does custom art glass work, sells Bullseye Glass and kiln glass supplies; and sells locally made kiln glass art and gifts. The new building allows Fusions to feature Northwest kiln glass artists on a regular basis in the dedicated gallery space.

Regular hours are 10 a.m. - 5 p.m, 7 days a week, with additional evening hours 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.



Chris Northrup, Gloria Becker, Gail Northness, and Deborah Hudson enjoy the creative atmosphere of Fusions Glass Studio.



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