



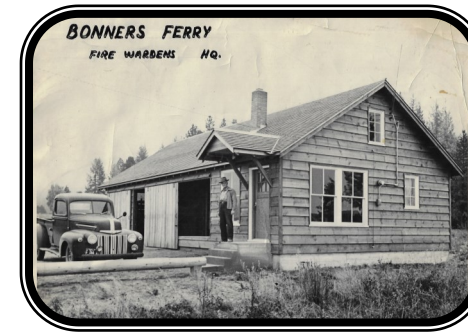
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The Board of Trustees meets in open session at 5:30pm on the second Tuesday of each month.

The Boundary County Historical Society would like to thank the many sponsors who contribute funding for the ongoing projects which make your Museum a success. Special thanks goes to Boundary County's Commissioners and County Clerk for your support.



Tidbits of News

HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEWEST EXHIBITS?

Wooden Hope Chest



Fred Plato constructed a wooden chest in the manual training class at BFHS in 1921. He graduated in 1922.



Painting: Theresa Bighead

In 1968, Jerry Kennedy (husband of Gloria Satterlund) painted an oil painting of Theresa Bighead, 101 year old grandmother of the Kootenai Tribe. Theresa passed away in 1967.



"The Village" Models



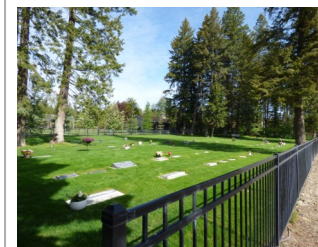
Fred Stoos, BFHS Class of 1914, left home to pursue a career as a cartoonist. While working for Walt Disney, he became a set designer. With the love of his home town in mind, Fred constructed models of some the Village's buildings. (Great Northern Depot)

Memberships in the Boundary County Historical Society and Museum provide a significant and necessary source of funding, and a means of showing support for your Museum. Members receive free admission to the Museum, a 10% discount on purchases at the White Caribou Book Nook, and the Museum newsletter. Memberships also make great gifts for relatives and friends.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug. 27 - Mennonite Cemetery Tour
- Sept. 17 - Idaho Song Project, Gary Eller
- October 1 - Night At the Museum Dinner

Mountain View Mennonite Church and Historical Cemetery Tour



In the series of historical cemetery tours, the Mountain View Mennonite cemetery has been chosen for this year's walking tour. The Church itself dates back to 1944 with the construction of the first "little brown" church. The cemetery's first burial is dated 1948. Sue Kemmis Curator, researches the history of the Mennonite community, the church and the cemetery in order to educate and entertain those attending the walk with stories of the earliest families in the county and how they have played a part in the development of our history. Intertwined with families and histories, the symbolism and significance of stones and etchings on the stones are explained as the group wends its way through the grounds. If you have missed former tours, mark this one on your calendar for August 27, 2022 beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the gates to the cemetery.

MUSEUM HOURS

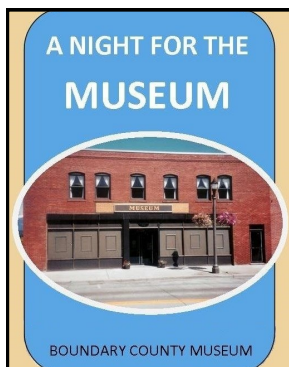
The Museum's 2022 Hours: 10am to 3pm
Thursday - Saturday.
Stop by and see the changes in your Museum.

THANK YOU

to the sponsors of the "Free Saturdays" in 2022
Cal and Barbara Russell
Vic and Donna White
Kris and Lilian Lonborg
Dave and Dottie Gray
Howard and Donna Kent

Dinner

"A Night for the Museum" is coming! Dinner, games, auction, and an all-around fun evening will be had on Saturday, October 1st. Unable to host this event the past two years, the Historical Board has decid-



ed we have waited long enough to bring back this eventful evening. Dinner will be catered by The Rusty Moose and Jeff Sater, son of John Sater, has offered his auctioning skills. Watch for details and ticket sales in the coming weeks, and remember... this is a sell-out evening! This dinner event provides much needed funds for the projects of the Museum.



"Good Catch" Made by Roy Self, who was a Spokane county sheriff, these unique fishing lures have shiny bits which are glued to the painted portion of the lures. The shiny pieces are from the old style vacuum thermos bottle liners. His lures came in the classic colors: red, blue, and green, and the much harder to find gold. Under-valued, these lures are hard to find outside of the greater Spokane area. During the 1940s and 1950s, Self manufactured hundreds of lures, selling them in many little hardware shops in Washington and Idaho. Gambles Store (which became Plumlee's Western Auto in 1955) sold the lures to local anglers. He owned a place on Lake Pend Oreille and spent many hours fishing there. In 1950, Self claimed his lures caught more fish than any other lures used on the lake. He asked for a census to be taken. The count revealed his claim to be true as anglers reported more Kamloops and Dolly Vardens caught on his lures than all other types combined.

For the past twenty years, I have been on the lookout for a Roy Self in its original package. While working at Sater's Auction Barn (where every week tackle boxes were on the auction block), prior to the beginning of the sale, I would dig through the mass of tangled lures. Always finding Roy Self lures, that elusive "original package" seemed to elude me. Several of the regular auction patrons joined me on the search and would report back to me how many Roy Self lures were in the building that day; none of which were in a package. After John Sater passed away, Jeff found that "Roy Self in the original package" while sorting through John's treasures! Did John know he had it tucked safely in his private collection? Did he get a kick out of watching me search through all those tackle boxes? I'll never know. To my excitement, Jeff donated the lure to the Museum. Thank you, John Sater. This is a "great catch" for your museum.

Educational Events



Idaho Day in March featured the opening of the "Lazy Susan Mine," built expressly for this year's theme: "Mining Idaho." Fourth graders were issued hard hats and flashlights as they entered the tunnel constructed with the help of Marty Huddleston and mine boss, Sue. Sounds and sights provided a sense of hard-rock mining while artifacts from the Museum's collection lined the sides of the tunnel. Gold panning and cookie mining rounded out the students' experience as they worked through an activities booklet provided for this day's event.



Bonner Pack Stories traveled to the fourth grade classrooms in April, to teach how Bonners Ferry got its name, and just who that man named Bonner really was. "Authentic 1864 maps" and The Faces of History were issued to each student.

School Tours

May brought annual class tours with stories about The White Caribou Bar, Miss Mary Hawkins, Dr. Fry, the Kootenai Tribe of

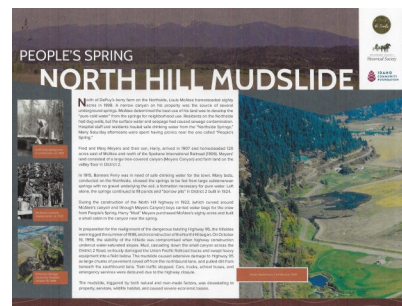


Idaho and other exhibits. Each student received a scavenger hunt to search for critters that "hide" here in the Museum. Traditional Idaho cookies with a star in the Panhandle rounded out the visits.

Riverside Park Project



The Historical Society is proud to partner with 9B Trails and the Kootenai Tribe of Idaho to provide photos and history for several interpretive panels along the trails.

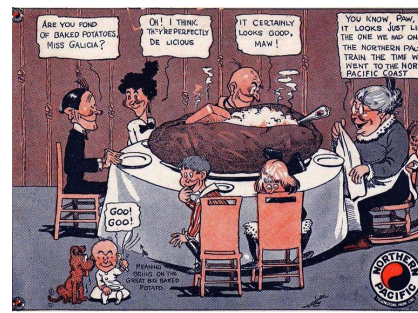


Idaho Song Project



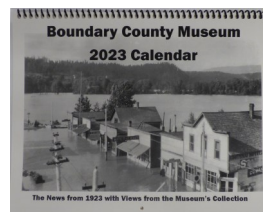
Sharing his passion for songs and poems about historical Idaho events, P. Gary

Eller will be returning to Bonners Ferry on Saturday, September 17, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. in Portrait Hall. Headlining his program will be "The Route of the Great Big Baked Potato," "It Was a Long Way From Bonners Ferry," as well as poem recitations by Bonners Ferry's own Craig Anderson. You won't want to miss this opportunity to celebrate Gary's North Idaho Songs Project. Grab your fiddle, guitar, banjo and join in the fun. The program is free to all and promises to be an afternoon of historical poetry, songs, slides, and some great fellowship.



2023 Historical Calendar

The 2023 calendar has arrived! Purchase your copy for \$5.00 at the Museum, Boundary Tractor, Cross Time Saloon, and State Farm.



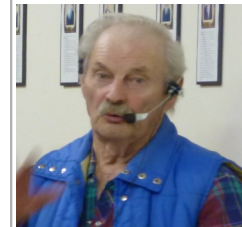
Spring Into Summer

Even though Boundary County never became a Silver Valley or Wild Horse Creek, "In Search of Mines" was the theme for a "Spring Into Summer" program. Gary Regehr shared his expertise presenting a visual tour of mines he has studied and explored. His session captured the interest of attendees and generated interaction with others' stories of mines and claims. One mine in particular stumped even the best researchers: Gary, Terry Howe, Howard Kent, and Don Morice searched for the "Lazy Susan Mine," only to find it right inside your Museum! Mine tours, cookie mining, and gold panning ended at noon when the whistle blew for a "miner's grub" lunch served in the courtyard. In the afternoon session, Dr. Jim Richardson explained, in geological terms (which he modified for the audience), why our mountain structure never provided a rich "gold rush" or a shining "silver strike."



Museum Collections

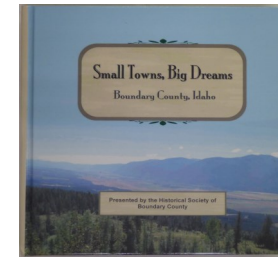
John Sater, author of "Reflections," poured his heart into his writings using his knowledge, opinions, and humor.



More than 500 columns have been donated by his children to the Museum.

Small Towns, Big Dreams

This "coffee table" book featuring past and present towns of Boundary County can be still purchased at the Museum for \$25.00.



State Treasurers Conference

The Museum became the venue of the Idaho State Treasurers Conference on August 10, at the request of Boundary County Treasurer, Sue Larson. The conference included an evening meal catered by The Rusty Moose. Museum staff were on hand to welcome treasurers from Idaho's 44 counties. The Historical Society Board of Trustees donated 2023 Historical Calendars for each attendee's packet.

Little Grow Garden

Strawberries and herbs are thriving in the barrel at the courtyard behind the Museum as part of the Grow Garden project. Thank you, Sue for planting and caring for these plants. The flower pots outside the front door are cared for by Marciavee, and provide colorful flowers welcoming our visitors.



IHC Comes to the Museum



The Historical Society welcomed David Pettyjohn, Executive Director of the Idaho Humanities Council, his staff, and board members on Thursday, June 9. They toured your Museum after their annual meeting which was held at the Kootenai River Inn. Sue Kemmis entertained everyone calling attention to the Kootenai Tribal collection, and a number of IHC grant-supported exhibits. Howard Kent shared his story of the famous Teddy Roosevelt Caribou head and how it came to find a home at the Museum. Sue explained how many exhibits begin with a single artifact, and develop into a full-fledged, creative historical rendition of Boundary County's past.

Following their tour, the group enjoyed an Idaho cookie bearing a star in the Panhandle for Boundary County.

Photos on the Front Page

- * 1948 Flood, Bonners Ferry, ID
- * "Fire Warden's Headquarters" now Idaho Department of Lands office.
- * Laurence Holdeman operating his cider press at home near Dobson Creek