



GOODING COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

TIMEPIECE

*"Preserving Our Past for Our Future"
Representing the communities of Bliss, Hagerman, Gooding and Wendell, Idaho*



APRIL TWENTY TWENTY-FOUR

**GOODING COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MUSEUM & RESEARCH CENTER/
THORN CREEK SCHOOL HOUSE
P.O. BOX 213 * 273 EUSKADI LANE
GOODING ID 83330**

208-934-5318 (Museum phone; leave message) OR
goodingcountyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com

***VOLUNTEERS NEEDED & WELCOMED
FRIDAYS, 10 AM - 4 PM--MEMBER WORKDAYS
AT MUSEUM. ALL MEMBERS WELCOME! SHARE
YOUR TALENTS & EXPERIENCE***

**MUSEUM WILL RE-OPEN FOR THE SEASON
APRIL 26, 10 AM TO 4 PM, FRIDAYS &
SATURDAYS. COME AND SEE WHAT
YOU'VE BEEN MISSING!**

**WE'RE ON FACEBOOK--Much more to see on:
<https://www.facebook.com/GCHSID/>**

TAX DEDUCTIBLE CHARITABLE GIVING

All monetary contributions to the Society (501c3 nonprofit) are tax deductible and welcome! The Society operates on SOLELY on donations, grants, and dues.

RIDLEY'S ADVANTAGE CARD points can be donated to the Gooding County Historical Society.

Sign-up at your local Ridley's store or:

shopridleys.com/u/userSignUpNEW.php?

**YOU MUST SIGN UP
EACH YEAR TO
CONTINUE
DONATING**



CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SOCIETY:

Steven Kukal, Gooding, for painting and installing signs on the Museum & Schoolhouse and for painting the new sign to be placed next to the Basque Center on north Euskadi Lane.



Umpqua Bank, Gooding, for sponsorship of the upcoming 2024 Speaker Nights.

Lowe's, Twin Falls, for donating light-filtering window shades for the Thorn Creek Schoolhouse.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024 * 1:00 pm**

Check out our Facebook page for Trivia and more about Gooding County's history:



<https://www.facebook.com/GCHSID/>

Gooding's Potato Chip (Compiled by: Coy Jones)

If you live in potato country, make potato chips! That's what Gail Woodward decided when he came to Gooding from Kaysville UT where he worked for Hod Sanders' "Clover Club Potato Chips."

Teamed with his father, Albert Woodward, Gail launched his dream with a small building and a small crew and the manufacture of potato chips began. Gooding Potato Chips went on sale in the Gooding area on May 8, 1948 in local outlets. The bags containing the chips were plain, very little color, no logo. Despite all of this, the chips sold and sold well, local merchants placed repeat orders. However, the success of the opening sales of Gooding's Potato Chips encouraged Gail to have special bags printed with the Idaho Chief Emblem in color on the face of the bag.

Information for this story was taken from an article that appeared in the June 17, 1948 Gooding Leader, "potato Chips made in Gooding Find Market is Ready."



GOODING COUNTY IDAHO ROOTS AND BRANCHES, VOLS. I-II

When years into the future the descendants of the people represented in this book sit down and learn the many things about their ancestors, they will thank the hundreds of dedicated family members who contributed their histories and photos.... The editor of this newsletter has randomly chosen to feature a family who contributed to the book.

William "Bill" and Josephine Immenschuh

Froscher – Bill was born 17 Sept 1873 in Hamilton OH to German immigrants Christian and Matilda Haid Froscher. Josephine's parents, Joseph and Caroline Friedhope Immenschuh were also born in Germany. Bill and Josephine married in 1912 and moved around, living in New Mexico, Los Angeles and Saskatchewan. In 1919 they settled at Tuttle ID where Bill cleared sagebrush, milked cows, and studied for his citizenship.

Bill and Josephine's children: Vera (Priest), Esther (Tupper), Florence (Day), Irma (Mitchell), Ina Beckert, Dena (Bennett), Earl, and Bill, Jr. Bill had many talents, one of which was playing musical instruments. He and neighbors Ernie Stevens & Dave Vipperman and Dave's two sons Wylie and Ross, played for square dancing in the fall and winter.

Josephine taught the girls how to cook, bake, can, sew and crochet. Vera, Esther and Florence attended North School, walking or riding horses. North School was moved to Tuttle and they rode the bus driven by Gladys Douglas. Graduation was at Hagerman HS.

Bill died in Gooding November 4, 1958. Josephine moved to Gooding, then Boise where she died in 1977.



Gooding County's Art Show – Past, Present and Future

This event kicked off March 2 and March 16, featuring art from Gooding County artists, including high school students. It will continue through September 28, 2024. The Museum is open April 26 – Sept 28, 10 am to 4 pm. Free admission, but your donations are deeply appreciated. Subject matter of the show is suitable for all ages.



ORCHARD VALLEY GRANGE

Ray Smith of Wendell organized the Grange in June 1943. Frank Coleman was the first Master with Howard Niccum as overseer. Originally, meetings were held in the west room of the Orchard Valley School, which meant moving desks and thus complaints from school patrons.

In September 1943 the Grange was invited to move to the one-room Cedar Draw School, 2 miles west, where they met until 1947 when they bought a Japanese barracks building. It was moved across the road from Warren Lawton's home and dairy. After school district consolidation, the Grange bought the Orchard Valley School at auction in 1964.

In June 1968 the Grange leased the above hall to Head Start program for education, with rights to continue Grange meetings. Grange Masters through the years: Frank Coleman, Howard Niccum, Melisa McCloud, Morrell McCloud, Clifford Fattig, Norval Coffman, Omer Schmidt, Melvin Gibson, Joe Sellers, Kirby Hill, Verla Gibson and Frank Orth.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Sally Toone
208-539-7115

Past President: Ilene Rounsfell
208-536-5366, 208-539-9292
Ilene.Rounsfell@gmail.com

Vice President: Don Mays
208-731-6448

Secretary: Jenny Koski
208-539-0135

Treasurer: Deb Pressley
208-731-8988

Director 1: Ann Lipe
208-934-9032

Director 2/Research Coordinator: Donna Egeler
208-358-1988

Director 3: Barbara Bunn
208-944-068

Director 4: Fae Christopherson
208-536-5209

Director 5: Berdell Lesneski
208-536-6561

Director 6: Kriss Nelsen
208-358-6110

Museum Curator: Melody Wilkinson
208-969-0293, Melody.wilk46@hotmail.com

Newsletter Editor/Grants Coordinator:
Phyllis Mogensen Kochert
208-308-7046
goodingcountyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com