

IOCTA FALL MEETING

Saturday, October 15, 2011, 12:00 pm
Idaho State Historical Society Archives and Research Center, Boise

INTRODUCTION

- Introduction and Welcome by President Jerry Eichhorst - 18 in attendance:

<u>BOISE:</u>	Jerry Eichhorst, Dave & Kay Taylor, Liz Heil, Kay Coffman, Suzi Pengilly
<u>CALDWELL:</u>	Becky Arment
<u>EAGLE:</u>	Wally Meyer
<u>EMMETT:</u>	Jerry Lambert (Lyle's son)
<u>FILER:</u>	Peg Cristobal
<u>IDAHO FALLS:</u>	Doug Jensen
<u>McCALL:</u>	Jim Payne, Pat Rhodes
<u>MOUNTAIN HOME:</u>	Ron & Denise Tugby
<u>NAMPA:</u>	Worth Montgomery
<u>POCATELLO:</u>	Lyle Lambert
<u>SACRAMENTO, CA:</u>	Jim Armstrong
<u>TWIN FALLS:</u>	Afton Patrick

ACTION SUMMARY

- 10/28 deadline to comment on EIS for Gateway West Transmission Line Project, as individual and as OCTA member
- IOCTA By Laws amended
- IOCTA to purchase lifetime membership to the *Overland Journal* for the ISHS Archives and Research Center
- New slate of elected and appointed IOCTA candidates approved
- Two IOCTA committees established - East and West, dividing line just east of Twin Falls
- *In Pursuit of a Dream* movie given to IOCTA by Travis Boley of national
- Let Peg know whenever an OCTA related article appears in a newspaper and she will access it to add to the IOCTA historical record

PLAN FOR THE DAY

- 12:00 Chapter Meeting
- 1:15 Election of Officers and Directors
- 1:30 Slideshow of Chapter Activities This Year
- 1:45 Adjournment and Break
- 2:00 Tour of Archives and Library

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- Meeting of May 21, 2011 - Glens Ferry
- Meeting of August 9, 2011 - Rock Springs
- Sent out via email to Executive Committee
- Motion by Jim to accept minutes, 2nd by Afton and carried
- Available on the website soon after the meeting

FINANCIAL REPORT

\$1,638.46	Balance after August meeting
-\$14.82	25' projector cable
-\$75.00	Fall meeting room rental
+ \$120.00	Dues from national

\$1,668.64	Current checking account balance
\$6,525.47	Current value of CDs

- Motion by Afton to accept financial report, 2nd by Doug and carried

WEBSITE UPDATE

- www.IdahoOCTA.org
- As always, so much to do, so little time

PRESERVATION UPDATE

- Gateway West Transmission Line Project - Doug Jenson - Doug encouraged everyone to comment on the draft EIS by October 28 by email, online, or letter - DO IT NOW!!! Suzi said that the EIS has appendices and maps and a two volume document just on trails which is helpful. Afton recommended we comment both as individuals and as OCTA member; the project is on the fast track, so do it soon.
- http://www.wy.blm.gov/nepa/cfodocs/gateway_west/
- http://www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/info/news_room/2011/july/29gateway_west.html

PRESERVATION UPDATE

- Wally Meyer and Lyle Lambert
- China Mountain Wind Turbine Farms - Afton said two phases, possibly three, are planned; there's funding for the first phase and Nevada Power guarantees enough customers for the first phase. The next meeting is in January.
- http://www.blm.gov/id/st/en/prog/planning/china_mountain_wind.html
- <http://www.chinamountain.gorillartsgroup.com/about-china-mountain-wind-project>

OLD BUSINESS

- By-Laws
 - Board of Directors charged with reviewing at April planning meeting
 - Effort led by Jim Payne
 - Revised By-Laws emailed to Executive Committee for review
 - Review and Comments - the Executive Committee of 10 runs the Chapter and makes decisions through emails and by bringing up in meetings, if needed
 - Vote for Approval - Motion by Afton to approve the bylaws as amended by the group, 2nd by Doug and carried.
- Area Committees
 - Established 3 committees at April planning meeting
 - East, Central, West
 - Changing to 2 committees for next year
 - East, West
 - Too few people in East and Central for 2 committees

- Main Oregon Trail Back Country Byway
 - *Finished Done Completed*
 - This year:
 - Installed last of concrete marker posts
 - Installed mapboard, directional, and interpretive signs
 - Printed 21,500 booklets
 - Mountain Home Boy Scouts straightened several posts along Teapot Road
 - Added mapboard at Bonneville Point
 - Thanks to Jerry and Wally for their work on it



- Goodales Cutoff Massacre
 - Chapter outing to search Soles Rest Creek
 - Mentioned in several diaries
 - Two routes out of mountains for Goodales Cutoff
 - Found 1 grave
 - Bill Wilson determined may be on Ditto Creek
 - Searched land records
 - Plan to search again next summer

- Glens Ferry Grave
 - Assistance requested by Glens Ferry Mayor JoAnne Lanham
 - Found grave of Sylvester Strout
 - Died of pneumonia in 1877 while herding cattle to Oregon

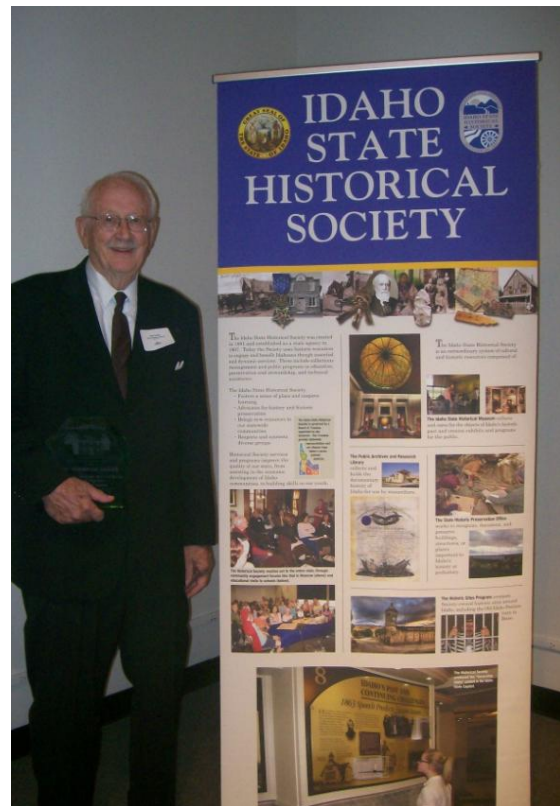
- Unknown Massacre
 - Verified with cadaver dogs in July
 - Archeologists scanned with ground penetrating radar and magnetometer in September (a three day effort)
 - Report with block maps due in November
 - 1 diary account indicating massacre of entire wagon train by Indians in 1858; another lead might come from Will Bagley recently giving all of his 1850 & 1860's Oregon Trail information to Jerry

- Snake River Water Trail
 - Water route from Glens Ferry to Farewell Bend
 - Interested in Oregon Trail history along the route
 - Jerry providing diary information on people who attempted to float the Snake River and is collaborating to write an article on it for the Overland Journal
 - Wally Meyer provided a list of OT sites along Snake River which will be added to the IOCTA web site

- Oregon Trail Bear Lake Scenic Byway
 - Lyle checked OT markers
 - Jerry has had minor involvement with the group

- ISHS Esto Perpetua Award to Fred Dykes
 - Honor individuals or groups for professional accomplishments, public service, volunteerism and philanthropy related to preservation of Idaho's heritage
 - Long time member of both the Bannock County Historical Society and the Oregon-California Trails Association and has researched and written extensively on the history of southeast Idaho (and, as Jerry commented, knows more about it than anyone). IOCTA can ask Fred to lead a Hudspeth tour, if wanted.

Congratulations Fred



NEW BUSINESS

- Overland Journal for ISHS Library
 - ISHS Library no longer can afford to pay for a subscription to the Overland Journal
 - Lifetime membership is \$1000, can be paid over 4 years
 - Recommend that IOCTA purchase a lifetime membership for ISHS Library payable over 4 years - Motion by Jim to purchase a lifetime membership to the Overland Journal for the ISHS Library (Archives/Research Center), 2nd by Jerry and carried

- Community Education Classes
 - Boise Schools Adult Education program
 - To be taught again on March 6 and 13, additional classes in April
 - Want to develop a presentation for the whole state
 - Send your good pictures with descriptions to Jerry

- Any other new business?
 - Peg offered to send information on the 20 year history of IOCTA to anyone who emails her and asks for the information
 - Let Peg know whenever an OCTA related article appears in a newspaper and she will access it to add to the historical record
 - Lyle - Utah Crossroads Chapter stickers are on some markers in Idaho - OK with IOCTA membership
 - Jerry/IOCTA purchased a GPS unit with a camera for trail marking using BLM grant money from the trail marking grant
 - A copy of the Pursuit of a Dream movie has been given to IOCTA for use

ELECTIONS

- East Director up for election this year - Peg Cristobal (Resigning today)
- Director - West Jim Payne (Term expires 2012)
- Director - West Wally Meyer (Term expires 2013)

- Slate of candidates presented by Board of Directors
 - President Jerry Eichhorst (Incumbent)
 - Vice-President East Doug Jenson (Incumbent)
 - Vice-President West Suzi Pengilly
 - Secretary Liz Heil
 - Treasurer Bill Wilson (Incumbent)
 - Director - East Lyle Lambert (Vice-President) - Lyle's term is a new full term to replace Peg

 - Director - West Dave Taylor
 - Director - West Ron Tugby



Dave Taylor



Ron Tugby



Liz Heil

- Other nominations? None
- Vote by membership - motion by Wally to accept nominations, 2nd by Afton and carried

ELECTIONS

- Appointed Candidates presented by President
 - Historian Peg Cristobal
 - Membership Chairman Bill Wilson
 - Preservation Officer - East Lyle Lambert
 - Preservation Officer - West Wally Meyer
 - Trail Dust Editor Suzi Pengilly
 - Webmaster Jerry Eichhorst
 - Approved by Directors

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

- What do you want to do next year? Let Jerry know
- Request will also be put in the Trail Dust
- Possible ideas include
 - Eastern Idaho
 - Main Trail Thomas Fork to Fort Hall, Lander Road, Hudspeth Cutoff, Goodales Cutoff, Salt Lake Alternate, Grave verification
 - Western Idaho
 - Main Trail Rock Creek to Fort Boise, South Alternate, North Alternate, Goodales Cutoff, Utter Massacre, Ditto Creek Massacre

MEETING WRAP-UP

- Questions - Dave asked where the separation is between East & West - just east of the town of Twin Falls
- Adjourn - at 1:41pm, motion by Jim to adjourn, 2nd by Afton and carried

COMING NEXT

- Slide show on chapter activities this year
- Tour of Archives and Library - now called Idaho State Archives and Research Center
- <http://history.idaho.gov/archives-collections>
- <http://history.idaho.gov/archives-records-management>