



Idaho Heritage Highlights

December 2014

Dear Kristi,

The Idaho Heritage Trust's Board of Trustees awarded \$127,184 in matching funds to 36 projects across Idaho to preserve historic buildings, sites, and artifacts. The Trustee's also approved \$59,000 in architectural, conservation, and archaeological technical assistance.



"There were many excellent projects," said Jerry Myers, Chairman of the Board of Trustees. "We are pleased in supporting preservation of Idaho's cultural heritage for current and future generations. We were impressed and encouraged with the grassroots work accomplished on many important projects around the state. We support those valiant efforts and wish we could fund all requests to the fullest extent."

The \$127,184 in matching funds is an increase of \$22,000 over last year's total, and an additional nine projects that will receive assistance this year. More than half of the grants were awarded to rural communities and populations of 5,000 or fewer people. The complete list of grant recipients is included in this newsletter below.

If you appreciate the efforts of the Trust and would like to help make more grants possible, please consider a [Donation to the Idaho Heritage Trust](#)

In closing, the Trustees and staff wish you and yours a joyful present and a well remembered past!

Blessings,
Katherine Kirk
Executive Director

2014 Grant Awards

Region I

Steam Tractor, Priest River Museum, Priest River	\$800
Odd Fellows Lodge, Priest River	\$4000
The Panida Theater, Sandpoint	\$4000
Northern Pacific Depot, Wallace	\$9000

Region II

White Spring Ranch Museum, Genesee	\$1750
Anne Bollinger Performing Arts Center, Civic Theater, Lewiston	\$1000
Heritage House, Nez Perce County Historical Society, Lewiston	\$5000
Campbell's Ferry, Main Salmon River, Frank Church Wilderness Area	\$5000

Region III

P&IN Depot, New Meadows	\$8000
Steam-Powered Sawmill, Council	\$1500
Ponderosa Log Round, Donnelly	\$1000
Norton Ridge Lookout, Frank Church Wilderness Area	\$1700
Syringa Club, Sweet	\$2200
Portia Club, Payette	\$3000
Strauss House, Idaho City	\$2400
Pioneer Cemetery, Atlanta	\$500
Canyon Creek Stage Station, Mountain Home	\$5000

Region IV

Thorn Creek School, Gooding County Historical Society, Gooding	\$2500
Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Hailey	\$6000
Community Baptist Church, Hailey	\$8000

*Happy
Holidays!*

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Upcoming Events:

The Idaho Heritage Trust will host lunch for the Idaho State Legislature on January 14, 2015 in the 1st Floor Rotunda of the Idaho Statehouse.

2014 Completed Projects:

In 2014 the Trust funded \$99,770 towards grants awarded in previous years. Highlights of completed projects include:



Restoration of Altar Painting, St. Stanislaus Kostka Chapel, Rathdrum

Region V

Silver Horseshoe Bar Neon Sign, American Falls	\$4000
Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, Pocatello	\$4000
Trinity Episcopal Church, Pocatello	\$6000
Franklin County Courthouse, Preston	\$1000
Lincoln Creek Day School, Fort Hall	\$4000

Region VI

Antelope Creek Guard Station, Salmon-Challis National Forest	\$2000
Bayhorse, Land of the Yankee Fork State Park	\$5000
Sister Alfreda Award - Sawtooth Interpretive & Historical Association, Stanley	\$3334
City Hall, Salmon	\$2000
Granite Mountain Lookout, Salmon-Challis National Forest	\$2000

Region VII

Melba Valley Historical Museum, Melba	\$4000
Veterans Memorial Hall (Carnegie Library), Caldwell	\$5000
Van Slyke Museum, Caldwell	\$3000
St David's Episcopal Church, Caldwell	\$2000
Caboose, Canyon County Historical Museum, Nampa	\$3000
Bishops House, Boise	\$2500
Cyrus Jacobs Uberuaga House, Basque Museum, Boise	\$2000

A description and photographs of all Grant Awards can be found on our website at: [Projects & Grants](#)

Sawtooth Interpretive & Historical Association Receives Sister Alfreda Elsensohn Award for 2014

Stanley



Congratulations to the Sawtooth Interpretive and Historical Association (SIHA) in Stanley, ID for receiving the state's highest honor for Museums, Historical Societies, and Interpretive Organizations. Given annually

by the Idaho Heritage Trust, the Idaho State Historical Society, and the Idaho Humanities Council, the Sister Alfreda recognition includes a \$10,000 award to be used by the winning organization to continue its community outreach and educational efforts.

In the past year, SIHA's Board of Directors and staff have unveiled new exhibits and continued restoration efforts at the Stanley Museum & Ice House; added new displays and interpretive programs at the Redfish Lake Visitor's Center; celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act with an increasingly popular Forum & Lecture Series; contributed to a growing oral history and photographic collection of the Sawtooth-Salmon River country; restored the Shaw Cabin in the Pioneer Park, and much more. They are a state-wide leader in working collaboratively with community and state-wide partners to create a variety of programs to educate a diverse public audience. SIHA is well deserving of this award!

An Awards Ceremony will be held in June 2015 at the Redfish Lake Visitor's Center.



Restoration, Corliss Steam Engine, Museum of N Idaho, Coeur d'Alene



Exterior Tile Restoration, Kenworthy Theater, Moscow



Front Porch Restoration, White Spring Ranch Museum, Genesee



Wood Floor Restoration, Lapwai Auditorium



Exterior Restoration, Surgeon's Quarters, Fort Boise



Lighting Restoration, Capitol Boulevard Bridge, Boise

2014 Pacific Northwest Preservation Field School

Fisher Bottoms, South Fork Snake River

The University of Oregon in partnership with the National Parks Service, the WA, OR, & ID State Historic Preservation Offices, the BLM, and the Idaho Heritage Trust held a 3 week preservation field school at the historic homestead site of Joe and Temperance Fisher (Idaho Author Vardis Fisher's childhood home). Students from as far as Maine and Virginia travelled to Idaho to participate and learn restoration techniques from a number of experts. IHT provided financial support and instruction through our Historical Architect Fred Walters.



Exterior Siding, Lincoln Creek Day School, Fort Hall



Restored, 1887 General Land Office Map, Reid-Just Homestead, Firth



Glass Storefront Restoration, Romance Theater, Rexburg

Technical Assistance

Bear River Massacre Site, Preston, ID

Over the past year, the Trust provided a variety of technical services totaling \$46,841 to address Idaho's need for professional architectural, conservation, and archaeological assistance in rural preservation. An example of Archaeological technical assistance from this year:



January 29, 1863, the US Army's California Volunteers, under the command of Colonel Patrick E. Connor led an attack against the Northwestern Shoshone Indians resulting in the largest massacre of Native Americans in the history of our country. Chief Sagwitch, surviving the battle, later led the survivors to become baptized Mormons and farmers and were never placed on a reservation. The Northwest Band of the Shoshone Nation has acquired portions of the battle site to develop a cultural interpretive center. The Trust provided funding to the Idaho State Historical Society in collaboration with the Shoshone Nation to assist with archaeological and geomorphological investigations.

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