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NEWSLETTER

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After lunch at One Shot Charlie's in Harrison, Id.

Theres something refreshing about the people who live in a mountain town: they're sincerely happy. Most of them come from somewhere else, but all of them chose the mountain life for a reason (hint: it wasn't to make money). When you move to a mountain town, you will meet people of all ages and from all walks of lives who have tons of great stories to tell. These

are the friends you'll never forget. Priorities in a mountain town are quite different than in most other places. Money, job titles, and physical possessions are much less valued than health, adventure, and the outdoors. It'll take some getting used to at first, but this different mentality will make you reassess what really matters in life. Taken from a BLOG-Adventure Anywhere

“I believe there is a subtle magnetism in Nature, which if we unconsciously yield to it, will direct us aright.” – Henry David Thoreau

IDAHO FACTS AND TRIVIA

- The word “Potato” first appeared on an Idaho license plate in 1928. The now famous words “Famous Potatoes” appeared on our plates in 1957. Did you know most Idaho License Plates tell you where the driver is from?
- Twin Falls was the sight of Eval Knievels jump in 1974.
- Idaho’s state flower is the Syringa. Our state tree is the Western White Pine.
- 63% of Idaho is public land.
- Idaho is 83,557 square miles.

ATTENTION

Our new member Rose Toews, 385-630-7195 is still looking for a used ATV 400-500 and a trailer to haul it with.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Dennis Smith – January 2nd

Joe Saffeels – January 20th

Linda Meckle – January 27th

BUSINESS SPONSOR OF THE MONTH

State Farm – Tim Skelton Insurance Agency Inc.

The mission of our office is to help our policyholders manage the risks of everyday life and to be the first choice for all your Idaho insurance needs. We focus on Auto Insurance, Home Insurance, Renters Insurance throughout Idaho, including Coeur d'Alene, Hayden, Post Falls, Rathdrum, Athol, Spirit Lake, Blanchard, Sagle, Cataldo, Harrison, Worley, Plummer and North Idaho.

BACK COUNTRY KITCHEN VITTLES

We are going to do something different throughout this year. Our club member Craig Brockus suggested doing a series of excerpts from THE DUTCH OVEN COOKBOOK, a FREE Duplication within the World Brotherhood of Scouting. I thought it may be a good idea as some of our rides have evolved into weekend camp outs. This would be a good time and a good way to try out some of the recipes that are to follow. However I am concerned about some copyright issues that may affect me so I am going with a good article by Eileen Troemel that I found online on "What's Cooking America." This article includes the same information but I just don't have to worry about copyright issues by using it.

HOW TO USE A DUTCH OVEN

Camping usually means you eat hot dogs on a stick, cold sandwiches and not a lot of appetizing food. (They obviously don't cook camp food like I do). But what if it didn't mean that? What if you could have Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, steamed vegetables, and cherry cobbler? Or any other meal you would normally cook at home? Would campfire food be more appealing? Well it can be if you utilize a very old and versatile tool; something your grandmother probably had more than one of – a Dutch oven.

The Dutch oven is believed to date back to the early 1700s in Holland. How and when it came to the U.S. Is unknown but supposedly Paul Revere created the flanged lid and the final

design of the oven. Some reports indicate that George Washington used Dutch ovens to feed his troops during the Revolutionary war.

As Americans moved west and expanded into the new world, the Dutch oven became a valuable commodity being a popular trade item with mountain men and Native Americans. As the United States expanded, this tool was taken along. When pioneers, homesteaders, miners, and ranchers moved west, the Dutch oven was one of their most valuable items especially since entire meals could be cooked in them. Records show that Lewis and Clark cooked wild game as well as dog and horse during their trek to the west coast. Another common use was during cattle drives. Drive cooks fed the famous beans and stew to the cowboys during the long cattle drives. The famous 49ers in California commonly used the Dutch oven to make sourdough bread. Likewise soldiers used it for cooking during the Civil War.

In 1896 Joseph Lodge built a cast iron foundry in Tennessee. The best known product from this foundry was the Dutch oven. Lodge still produces this well known product today and is currently the leading producer of the cast iron Dutch ovens. Another place the Dutch oven appeared is in the work camps following World War I. However, the popularity of the product waned. A renewed interest began in the 70s and 80s with a cook off contest. In fact, the Dutch oven became popular enough that the International Dutch Oven Society formed in 1984 and Utah made the Dutch oven the cook pot of the state in 1997.

All very interesting but grandma doesn't go camping anymore (Smh, they don't know us, do they?) and you have no idea how to work with Dutch ovens. A search on the web or through the cooking aisle only offers a multitude of products and a lot of confusion. So where do you start? To be continued next month.

Reminder – Your 2018 annual dues are now due. \$20 for family, \$15 individual and \$25 for a sponsor. If you would like to mail, please send it to BACK COUNTRY ATV/UTV, P.O. BOX 595, HAYDEN, ID.. If you know of a business that might be a good sponsor, please ask them. You never know what the answer might be until you ask! You might find a great new member.

TIDBITS FROM YOUR EDITOR

Happy New Year! Here's to a new beginning. The club has a new President, Vice President, and 3 new board members and also several new club members. With the ongoing New Year we are looking for and hoping for more new members. They bring fresh ideas and energy to our club and that's always most welcome. Our last winter breakfast at JB's was well attended and we have another coming up rather quickly on Saturday, January 13th at 8:30a.m. at Timber Creek Buffet in Spokane, WA.. Yes it was bumped up from the usual 9:00a.m. time slot. Seems most people were showing up early

anyways. Our regular club meeting will be the following Tuesday, Jan. 16th at the usual 6:30p.m.

With my Tidbits this month I include an article from and by our secretary Nancy Conley regarding:

LIFE FLIGHT MEMBERSHIP

One of the benefits to Back Country Association membership is the ability to purchase LIFE FLIGHT at a discounted rate. For those of you who are not familiar with LIFE FLIGHT, I will try to explain their services and our benefits. I am taking some of the following information from the LIFE FLIGHT pamphlet and some from the club information and my own understanding of their services.

Information from the Pamphlet:

LIFE FLIGHT benefits are offered to the first person on the application form and those family members who are listed in the membership records at the time of service. (Per government regulations, individuals covered by Medicaid are not eligible for membership and should not apply.)

LIFE FLIGHT is not an insurance policy but a secondary to insurance carriers. All available insurance will be billed first. Your LIFE FLIGHT membership covers air transportation when emergently transported in a LIFE FLIGHT network aircraft. Reciprocity between regional air membership programs is subject to the reciprocation program rules. The LIFE FLIGHT area covers Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. Air

transportation is based on medical needs, not membership status. Patients are transported to the closest medically appropriate facility as requested by the physician or EMS system. NON emergency transports are not covered by this agreement.

My Personal Interpretation of Our Benefits:

This service is extremely important if you were to sustain an injury while riding your ATV/UTV and needed to be air lifted from a remote area. The cost for such a service is very high. I have been told the cost is in the upper thousands to be air transported to the nearest hospital. Even if you no longer ride a machine, but are still a paid member of Back Country, you are eligible to obtain membership to LIFE FLIGHT. Their services extend from the forest to your car or from your home, if medically necessary.

We sign up for this service sometime near June. Frank has all the exact dates. The cost of the membership is only \$50 for one year. I can assure you; this will be a well spent \$50.

I hope I have been able to answer some of the questions you may have regarding this benefit of our club membership. More to come in the future.



Taken from the bridge at the rest area near Harrison, Id.

HAVE FUN IN ALL YOU DO AND DO ALL YOU CAN DO!



OUR NEW CLUB LOGO!

