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## ZACH WELTER AND TROOP 1



The headline in the Idaho Press on Sunday May 8, 2022 reads “Scouts clean up BLM land as part of Meridian teen’s Eagle Scout project.” Zach Welter, a member of Scout troop 1 sponsored by The American Legion Post 113 has a passion to keep the forest clean. He decided to do something positive by cleaning up the Morley Nelson Snake River Conservation Area. Over 100 hours of time was put in from him and his volunteers and they managed to pick up 162 cubic feet of garbage. His only regret, he didn’t have enough capacity to take more. He said: “With so many new folks moving into the area, we wanted to raise awareness of keeping our public lands pristine.”

Well done Zach and troop 1!

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### A Few Months Out

May 10— SAL Meeting

May 13—Legion Rider Breakfast

May 17—Post general Membership Meeting and dinner

May 25— N7LGN meeting

May 28—Lloyds Koffee Klatch

May 28—Auxiliary meeting

May 30—Memorial Day

Jun 13—18—Boys State

July 4—Post at Storey Park

July 14—17— Summer Convention

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# Commanders Call

By: Rich Dees

The Post is about to get involved with many activities. This month, we host the Legion Riders, perhaps a hundred or so, for breakfast. The event is slated for Saturday May 13, 2022 at the Post. It starts at 0800. You and your family is invited to get to know the Treasure Valley Riders, and have a little breakfast. Cost is \$5.00 a plate...a bargain if there ever was one.

Memorial Day is the 30<sup>th</sup> of the month at Kleiner Park in Meridian. Please plan to attend. Steve North is the person to contact if interested in helping. And don't forget Dairy Days Parade on June 25<sup>th</sup>. You can ride or walk the route as we will have two entries.

There are several opportunities where you can be involved in the Legion Community. I hope you take advantage. Please note the information about the Koffee Klatch found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Finally, please come to the meeting this month as we will be talking about a couple of grants we applied for to do some work around the City. Hopefully, we will know the results of the proposals. Also we will discuss our next year's budget. We will again be offering the meeting on Zoom if you cannot attend.

# Lloyds Koffee Klatch

By: David Richey

LLOYD'S KOFFEE KLATCH is really a "hot" event! Don't forget to come on out to American Legion Post 113 (Broadway and Meridian) every fourth Saturday of the month for free coffee and doughnuts and great fellowship. We have had a good turnout during the first three months and look forward to lots more in the future. Be sure to bring spouses and veteran friends. Besides trading "war stories" we've been able to discuss some extracurricular business.... Last month, we had a visitor from Veterans' Services (Jo Ann Daron) and a gentleman (Robert Kappmeyer) who has spent the last 17 years collecting "old" coffee from Starbucks to be donated to the vets at the Veterans Home in Boise. We now have several volunteers who will be taking over the reins of that program to make sure the guys over at the Vets Home enjoy their morning coffee. WooHoo!! Don't forget to join us on May 28 for a caffeine and sugar fix — 9AM to 11ish. See ya there!

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# POST 113 HONOR GUARD



## APRIL EVENTS DOUG HANKS

April has been a busy time for your Honor Guard.

Rifle Salutes- 13

Flag presentation-1

Accumulated for Fiscal year-72

Man hours-184

Accumulated-1024

Miles-1392

Accumulated-7099

Taps played by Larre Robertson-40

Accumulated-110

Having a little fun after Flag presentation at Boise Center on the Grove for The National Rural Letter Carrier Convention. Can you name them?



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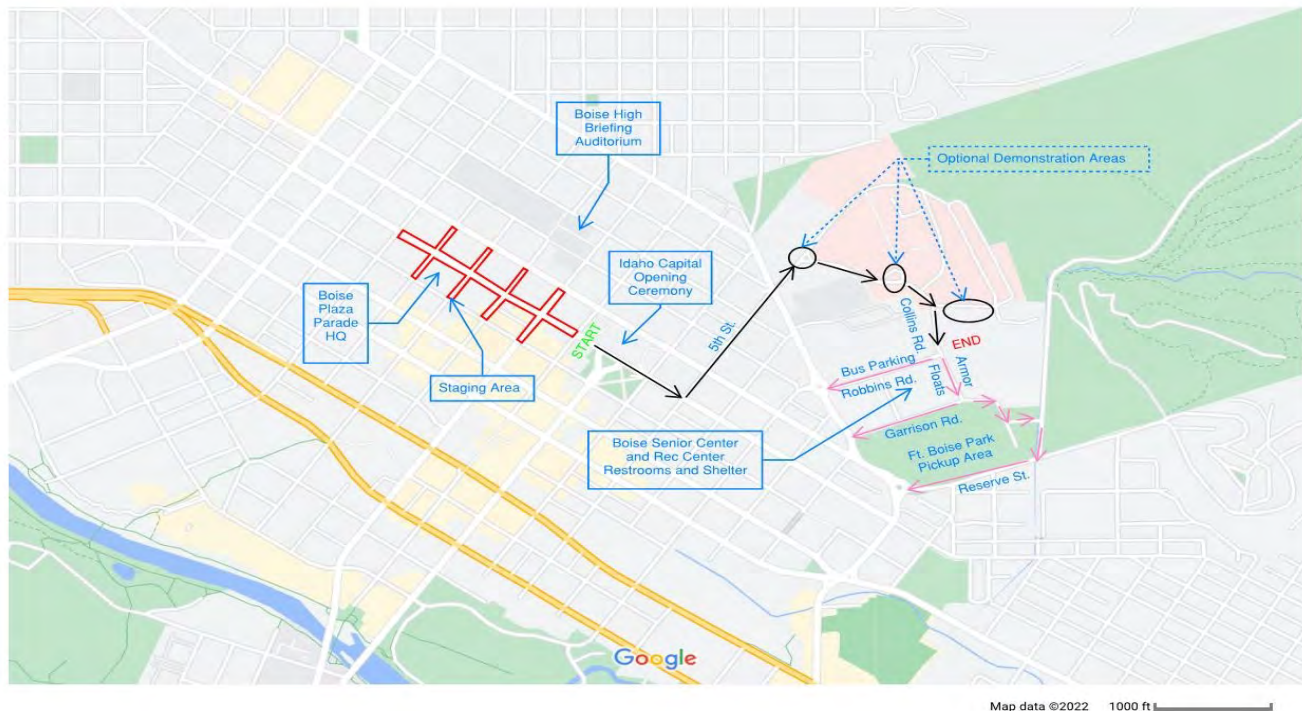
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# Veterans Day Parade 2022

By Jay Romlein

The 2022 Veterans day parade is scheduled for November 5, 2022 in downtown Boise. The Proposed 2022 Idaho Veterans Parade Route is out for review, but I was unable to put it here for technical reasons. The parade will start at 10:00 AM.. Stay tuned for more details.

The theme is celebrating the 75th anniversary of the United States Air Force.



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## May 2022

# We Celebrate Memorial Day



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### What is Memorial Day?

Memorial Day is not about picnics and parades –

though there

is nothing wrong with enjoying and celebrating our American way of life. Memorial Day is about gratitude and remembrance. It is about honoring the men and women who made it possible to gather here today in peace. But the reason that there is a Memorial Day – is to remember those who made our way of life possible. They truly are the guardians of our freedom. We are also reminded on this day, that brave men and women have always stepped forward to take the oath of allegiance as members of America's armed forces, willing to fight and if necessary, die for the sake of freedom.

### 5 Things to know about Memorial Day

Memorial Day began as Decoration Day.

On that date, people on both sides of the war would be encouraged to place flowers on the graves of their relatives, friends or comrades who fell during the war.

Decoration Day only recognized fallen soldiers of the Civil War until World War I.

World War I also changed how Decoration Day, later to be known as Memorial Day, was celebrated in the U.S.

Memorial Day was not an official holiday until 1968.

By the 1960s, the term Decoration Day had given way to Memorial Day. While there were several Memorial Day events and ceremonies across the country, it was still not recognized as a federal holiday.

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### A PRAYER FOR MEMORIAL DAY

"We pray today O God for peace and we look to the day that You promised when "They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore (Isaiah 2:4)".



### Remember to always:

Be Grateful, Give Thanks, Be Honest, Stay Humble, Be Kind, Laugh, Dream Big, Be You and always Love One Another.

*Blessings from*

*Chaplain Dan Pruett*

Memorial Day is one of the few days flags are ordered to fly at half-staff then full-staff.

Memorial Day has its own unique flag etiquette. At sunrise, anyone flying a flag should raise the flag briskly to full-staff then slowly lower the flag to half-staff. At noon, the flag should be briskly raised to full-staff. This is to salute all of those who have served.

Civil War veterans tried to change the date of the Indianapolis 500 to keep it away from Decoration Day. In 1911, organizers announced the inaugural Indianapolis 500 would be held on May 30, the same date set by the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) as Decoration Day in 1868. It is now celebrated as the last Monday of May

### A Prayer for Hope:

**God, you know those things in my heart that I barely dare to hope for, today I give them to you, I trust them to you, and ask that you because I know that you can do more than I could ever guess, imagine or request in wildest dreams.  
Amen**

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# N7LGN—Post 113 Amateur Radio Club

By: Rich Dees



The N7LGN radio club has a busy couple of months ahead. Testing continues at the Post on the third Saturday of each month. Even though the FCC imposed a \$35.00 fee on new licenses, the numbers of people testing has not slowed. Each month we get several people taking their initial test as well as taking their upgrade exams.

This month already featured world renowned speaker, inventor and university professor Edison Fong. Ed presented his invention of a tri-band J pole which is used by the Federal government in the routine and emergency communicators. He brought with him two antennas which he gave away to members present.

The speaker this month at the regular meeting will be talking about a Near Vertical Incident Sky wave (NVIS) antenna. That will come in handy as we approach field day.

Speaking of field day, this year the group will be setting up at Shari's Restraint near Home Depot in the parking lot. We will be operating at least three transmitters simultaneously talking to people around the world. The contest is over a 24 hour period, so some members will be at it late into the night and early morning. Additionally, we will be doing a "newby" training just prior to the contest start. Lots of other things too. Come on out and see the action. There is even a station where you can get on the air, licensed or not. See...there is no excuse.

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# More Troop 1 News

By Jay Romlein

Troop 1 is invited to help setup and retire the flags along the "Road of Honor" at the VA Medical Center. The flag retirement includes folding the flags so skilled help is essential to an effective operation. I hope to engage the GSA and the Young Marines to help as well.

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