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Legislature Mourns Loss of Clint Stennett

Former Senator **Clint Stennett**, who represented District 25 in the Idaho Legislature for nearly 20 years, died Thursday, October 14, at his Ketchum home after a long battle with brain cancer. He was 54. The Legislature will truly miss this remarkable public servant.



Michelle Stennett, who had served as a temporary replacement in the Senate for her husband during his illness, was sworn into office to fill the remainder of his term on October 21, 2010. She subsequently won election to a full two-year term as senator for District 25 on November 2.

Clint Stennett grew up in southern Idaho and graduated with honors with a journalism/advertising degree from Idaho State University. After moving to the Wood River Valley, he owned and operated a newspaper, as well as radio and television stations.

Clint served in the Idaho House of Representatives from 1990-1994 and in the Idaho Senate from 1995-2010. He was minority caucus leader in the Senate from 1997-1999 and Senate minority leader from 1999-2009.

A public celebration of Clint's life will be held on Friday, November 19, from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the River Run Lodge in Ketchum.

The family respectfully suggests that donations in Clint's memory be sent to the Stennett Scholarship Fund at the College of Southern Idaho Foundation, P.O. Box 1238, Twin Falls, ID 83301, or to Hospice & Palliative Care of the Wood River Valley, P.O. Box 4320, Ketchum, ID 83340.

Legislative Council Sets Target Dates for Session

The Legislative Council met November 5 to review the Legislature's FY 2011 Strategic Plan, hear the status of the state budget and interim committee reports, and to review plans for the new legislator orientation program, the organizational session, and the 2011 legislative session. An article about the state budget can be found on pages 3 and 4.

Important Dates

- Nov. 29 - Dec. 1: New Legislator Orientation Program
- Dec. 2 - 3: Organizational Session
- Dec. 8 - 9: Joint Millennium Fund Committee
- Jan. 6 - 7: Economic Outlook Committee
- Jan. 10: 2011 Legislative Session Convenes
- Jan. 21: Senate Personal Bill Deadline;
House Personal Bill Target Date
- Jan. 29: House Personal Bill Deadline
- Feb. 4: Target for Committee Rules Review Reports
- Feb. 7: Deadline for Bill/Jt. Resolution Drafting
Requests to LSO for 36th Day Deadline
- Feb. 14: 36th Day - Jt. Resolution Introduction
Deadline; Bill Introduction Deadline for
Nonprivileged Committees
- Feb. 18: JFAC Target to Complete Budget Hearings
- Mar. 7: Target for all Transmittals Between Houses
- Mar. 11: JFAC Target to Complete Budget Setting
- Mar. 25: Sine Die Target

Editors Note: Be sure to check the [Calendar by Month](#) on the Legislature's website, which is linked from the top of the Announcements column. The calendar will note target dates and legislative meetings that are not regularly scheduled. Meetings of standing committees will link from the center of the home page.

Welcome to the Newly Elected Members of the Idaho Legislature, 2011-2012

Senate

<u>District</u>	<u>Member</u>
3	Steve Vick (R)
6	Dan J. Schmidt (D)
8	Sheryl Nuxoll (R)
18	Mitch Toryanski (R)
24	Lee Heider (R)
25	Michelle Stennett (D)

House of Representatives

2A	Shannon McMillan (R)
3A	Vito Barbieri (R)
4B	Kathleen Sims (R)
7A	Jeff Nessel (R)
13B	Christy Perry (R)
14B	Reed DeMordaunt (R)
18A	Julie Ellsworth (R)
19A	Cherie Buckner-Webb (D)
21A	John Vander Woude (R)
29B	Jim Guthrie (R)
30A	Roy Lacey (D)
33B	Linden Bateman (R)

The New Legislator Orientation Program is scheduled on Monday, November 29, Tuesday, November 30, and Wednesday, December 1 in the Capitol Building. The program is open to both new and returning members of the Legislature. [Click here to review the program agenda.](#)

Tax Collections Are Hitting Revenue Targets

The Division of Financial Management's revised August General Fund forecast of \$2,369.9 million for FY2011 will require revenues to grow at 4.7% above FY 2010. However, the Legislature used a lower revenue projection of \$2,305.8 million to set FY 2011 appropriations, so there is a built-in cushion for this fiscal year.

General Fund collections have been tracking slightly ahead of DFM's revised forecast through the end of October. Revenue collections are ahead in all categories except sales tax, which is \$4 million below the forecast. Cumulatively, revenues are \$20.2 million ahead of DFM projections, and \$21.7 million ahead of collections through the same time last year. Revenues are coming in 2.8% higher this year compared to last, and the forecast expectation is that we will meet the 4.7% forecast when collections accelerate in April, May and June. In January, the Governor will include a second revision of the FY 2011 revenue forecast as part of his FY 2012 budget recommendation.

Staff Contact: Cathy Holland-Smith

FY 2011 General Fund Revenue Collections to Date					
Source	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Total
Individual Income Tax					
Forecast	\$82.9	\$84.7	\$83.3	\$94.1	\$345.0
Actual	\$85.7	\$90.5	\$87.3	\$99.2	\$362.7
Monthly Excess/Shortage	\$2.8	\$5.8	\$4.0	\$5.1	\$17.7
Corporate Income Tax					
Forecast	\$4.6	\$1.4	\$22.1	\$6.4	\$34.5
Actual	\$6.4	\$2.1	\$24.0	\$7.1	\$39.6
Monthly Excess/Shortage	\$1.8	\$0.7	\$1.9	\$0.7	\$5.1
Sales Tax					
Forecast	\$90.1	\$87.6	\$87.2	\$87.1	\$352.0
Actual	\$90.5	\$85.4	\$84.6	\$87.4	\$347.9
Monthly Excess/Shortage	\$0.4	(\$2.2)	(\$2.6)	\$0.3	(\$4.0)
Product Taxes					
Forecast	\$3.2	\$6.7	\$3.4	\$3.2	\$16.5
Actual	\$3.2	\$6.9	\$3.4	\$3.4	\$16.9
Monthly Excess/Shortage	\$0.0	\$0.2	\$0.0	\$0.2	\$0.4
Miscellaneous Revenue					
Forecast	\$16.7	\$1.7	\$9.4	\$1.5	\$29.3
Actual	\$16.0	\$3.0	\$9.8	\$1.5	\$30.3
Monthly Excess/Shortage	(\$0.7)	\$1.3	\$0.4	Prelim	\$1.0
TOTAL					
Forecast	\$197.5	\$182.1	\$205.4	\$192.3	\$777.3
Actual	\$202.0	\$187.8	\$209.2	\$198.5	\$797.5
Monthly Excess/Shortage	\$4.5	\$5.7	\$3.8	\$6.2	\$20.2

\$ in millions

FY 2011 General Fund Budget Update

If revenues do come in higher than projections for FY2011, there will still be obligations and pressures on the spending side. If increased revenues come in, Idaho has an obligation to spend more for education in order to conform with the maintenance of effort (MOE) test that Idaho committed to when it applied for stimulus funding for public schools and higher education. If revenues come in \$64 million more than what was originally budgeted, which is the scenario using the revised revenue estimate, education would be entitled to \$19 million by the end of fiscal year 2011.

The state will also need to address supplemental appropriation requests, including deficiency warrants that have been issued for fire suppression, pest control, and hazardous materials cleanup totaling \$3.4 million; \$7.2 million for the Catastrophic Health Care Program (CAT Fund); and \$11.9 million primarily for unpaid bills carried over in Medicaid. Department of Correction requests include \$5.3 million to open the Correctional Alternative to Prison Program (CAPP) and deal with shortfalls in contracted medical costs, other private prison placements and county jails. The College of Western Idaho (CWI) is requesting \$2.7 million to match the funding provided per full-time equivalent student as compared to other state-supported community colleges.

Staff Contact: Cathy Holland-Smith

FY 2011 General Fund Budget Update

REVENUES	Legislative Action Sine Die	Revised Forecast FY 2011
Beginning Balance	\$ 590,600	\$ 37,500
FY 2011 DFM Revenue Est. (4.7% incr)	2,432,940,000	2,369,900,000
Reduce to EORAC Estimate \$2.29 Billion	(142,940,000)	
H698 Tax Compliance Initiative	16,445,000	
Net Impact of other Legislation	(1,196,000)	
TOTAL REVENUES	2,305,839,600	2,369,937,500
TRANSFERS		
S1445 - Budget Stabilization Funds	30,134,600	30,134,600
S1445 - Economic Recovery Reserve Funds	49,500,000	48,845,800
Deficiency Warrants (Fires, Pests, Haz Mats)		3,357,900
NET TRANSFERS IN (OUT)	79,634,600	82,338,300
APPROPRIATIONS		
FY 2011 Original Appropriations	2,383,836,000	2,383,836,000
Educ. Maint. of Effort for Stimulus ARRA		19,000,000
Supplementals		
CWI - Funding Equalization		2,656,000
Catastrophic Health Care Program		7,235,000
H&W - Medicaid/AABD/MMIS		11,941,200
Correction - CAPP/Inmate Growth/Medical		5,322,000
Other Supplemental Requests		176,300
Subtotal Supplementals		27,330,500
TOTAL REQUESTED APPROPRIATIONS	2,383,836,000	2,430,166,500
ESTIMATED ENDING BALANCE	\$ 1,638,200	\$ 22,109,300

Citizens' Committee on Legislative Compensation Committee Recommends Reduction of Constituent Service Allowance

The Citizens' Committee on Legislative Compensation met on September 15, 2010, to fulfill its constitutional and statutory duty to make its recommendations for legislator salaries and expenses for the 61st Idaho Legislature. The committee's recommendations will become the salaries and expenses for the 61st Idaho Legislature unless rejected or reduced by concurrent resolution prior to the 25th legislative day of the 2011 session. The committee is composed of three members appointed by the Governor, Richard Jackson, Don Burtenshaw and Bill Daniels, and three members appointed by the Supreme Court, Debora Kristensen, William "Bud" Yost and Katherine Moriarty.

After reelecting Richard Jackson as the chairman, the committee voted to retain legislator salaries at the same level paid to legislators during the 60th Idaho Legislature. That rate is \$16,116 per year, with an additional \$4,000 a year for the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

No change was recommended to the daily in-session unvouchered expense allowance of \$122 per day for legislators maintaining a second residence in Ada County during a regular session and \$49 per day for legislators who do not maintain a second residence within 50 miles of the Statehouse. However, the committee recommended a reduction of the annual unvouchered constituent service allowance from \$2,200 to \$1,875, a 15 percent reduction.

The committee recommended that vouchered expenses remain unchanged, except that the regular session \$25 per day cap on travel reimbursement for legislators who do not maintain a second residence within 50 miles of the Statehouse be removed. Finally, the committee voted to recommend the continuation of the system of medical, dental, life insurance and retirement benefits as provided other state employees, and other services, including telephone, postage and stationary, as provided for the 60th Idaho Legislature.

By separate letter to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, the committee informed that it took no position on whether legislators should be treated as full-time or part-time state employees for benefit purposes. The committee noted that the issue of full-time or part-time status of legislators regarding benefits is a matter of public policy that should be determined by the Legislature itself. The committee did reach a consensus on its recommendation that, whatever the decision of the Legislature on the question of legislator full-time or part-time status, the Legislature treat officeholders consistently with regard to benefits.

Staff Contact: Paige Alan Parker

The Citizens' Committee report, letter and meeting minutes can be found online at <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/sessioninfo/2010/interim/compensation.htm>

Idaho Legislators Attend WLA

The Council of State Governments-*WEST* conducted the Western Legislative Academy (WLA) in Colorado Springs July 12-15. Idaho legislators participating this year are **Representative Stephen Hartgen**, **Senator Dean Mortimer** and **Senator Chuck Winder**.

Each year CSG-*WEST* conducts a professional development training program for a select group of western state legislators. The goals of the WLA are to help legislators in their first four years of service become more effective and to build stronger state legislative institutions.



Mary Sue Jones Honored By NCSL

Executive Assistant **Mary Sue Jones**, Office of the President Pro Tem, was recognized for her contributions to the Idaho Senate and the Leadership Staff Section of NCSL in September at NCSL's annual meeting in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Mary Sue began her legislative career as sergeant-at-arms in 1992. She became fiscal assistant to the president pro tem in 1995 and, by 2006, she had added administrative duties to her responsibilities.

Mary Sue is the former chair of Legislative Staff Section and has served on almost every committee at one time or another. NCSL's LSS Liaison Natalie O'Donnell Wood says, "Mary Sue is an amazing woman and most deserving of the NCSL Leadership Staff Achievement Award."

CSG-*WEST* Conference in Sun Valley a Resounding Success

Over 450 conference attendees took advantage of the scenery, perfect weather and informative, relevant programs as Idaho hosted the 63rd annual gathering of CSG-*WEST* in Sun Valley September 11-14. *Pioneering New Frontiers*, the theme for the 2010 annual meeting, reflects the West's desire to find new ways to work together to develop solutions to old problems and to create new opportunities in the West.

Meeting topics included energy, leadership, natural resources, transportation, health, education, economics, trends and women in politics. Collaboration on important regional issues affecting Mexico and Canada also were covered, as well as national economic, political and germane policy issues from a line-up of outstanding experts.

Representative Rich Wills, who served as chair of CSG-*WEST*, and Pro Tem Robert Geddes and Speaker Lawrence Denney acted as hosts for this highly successful conference and took advantage of the opportunity to show off the state of Idaho during a perfect four days of early autumn in the Wood River Valley.

The Western Legislative Academy now boasts more than 400 western legislative alumni, and most of them are still serving in state legislatures. Applications for the 2011 Western Legislative Academy will be available in the new year.

Interim Committee/Task Force Activities

Natural Resources Interim Committee

The Natural Resources Interim Committee met in Boise on September 23, 2010. Interim Director Gary Spackman, Idaho Department of Water Resources, provided the committee with an update regarding numerous Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer conjunctive management orders that are now pending before the Idaho Supreme Court, the first of which will be heard in December.

Clive Strong, Office of the Attorney General, and Rich Rigby, Idaho Department of Water Resources, addressed the committee regarding the Comprehensive Aquifer Management Plan (CAMP) process and various funding alternatives that have been considered. They informed the committee that there are two options that a subcommittee of the CAMP Implementation Committee is recommending for further consideration. Both options revolve around the creation of aquifer improvement districts and will be brought before the CAMP Implementation Committee in October.

Steve Strack, Office of the Attorney General, also addressed the committee regarding the recent decision by Judge Donald Molloy, U.S. District Court for the District of Montana, which returned wolves to the endangered species list. The decision held that when you have a distinct population segment, as we do in the Northern Rocky Mountains, listing cannot be split along state lines. Wolves in Idaho and Montana were previously delisted, but wolves in Wyoming were not, in that Wyoming does not have an approved management plan. That decision is now on appeal to the 9th Circuit. David Hensley, Office of the Governor, told the committee that the state is proceeding with an administrative approach, a congressional approach and a judicial approach to try to resolve the wolf issue at this time and to reach the Governor's goal of restoring state management as quickly as possible under our approved plan.

Sharon Kiefer and Jim Unsworth, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, as well as Tom Perry with the Governor's Office of Species Conservation, also addressed the committee with an update regarding wolves. The committee was provided with information relating to the 2009 – 2010 hunting season, during which 181 wolves were legally taken by hunters, as well as information regarding livestock and ungulate depredation in Idaho.

Staff Contact Katharine Gerrity

Health Care Task Force

The Health Care Task Force, co-chaired by Senator Dean Cameron and Representative Gary Collins, met at the Statehouse in Boise on October 11, 2010. Much of the meeting was devoted to reviewing the impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (PPACA) on the government and people of Idaho and the insurance companies offering health insurance products in Idaho.

Presentations were made by Paul Leary, Deputy Administrator, Division of Medicaid, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, on the CHIP-B and Access Card Programs; Richard Armstrong, Director of the Department of Health and Welfare, on budget issues and the Molina claims processing system; Laren Walker, Administrator of the Idaho

Membership of committees, minutes and a calendar of scheduled meetings are available on the Legislature's website at: www.legislature.idaho.gov, or directly through these links:

[Interim Committees and Minutes](#)

[Legislative Calendar](#)

High Risk Reinsurance Pool, on the Pool's current status; Hyatt Erstad, Chairman of the Idaho High Risk Reinsurance Pool Board of Directors, on the Pool's standing with regard to federal Pre-existing Conditions Insurance Plan created pursuant to PPACA; Bill Deal, Director of the Idaho Department of Insurance, regarding the department's efforts to comply with the PPACA; Jack Myers, Chief Financial Officer for Blue Cross of Idaho and Scott Kreiling, President of Regence Blue Shield of Idaho, on the PPACA's impact on their rates and policies; Brian Kane, Assistant Chief Deputy, Idaho Office of the Attorney General, on the current status of the lawsuit by 22 states challenging the mandated health insurance provisions of the PPACA; and Joy Wilson, National Conference of State Legislatures, on what other states are doing to comply with the PPACA.

The next meeting of the task force is scheduled for November 22, 2010. Presentations are expected at that meeting on: the Plan for the Transformation of Idaho's Behavioral Health System, being prepared by the Governor's Behavioral Health Transformation Work Group; insurance exchanges being developed by the Idaho Department of Insurance to comply with the PPACA; the efforts of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to comply with the PPACA and the department's continued implementation of the Molina claims processing system; the activities of the Immunization Assessment Board, created by the 2010 Legislature to assess health insurance policies as a funding mechanism for the Idaho Immunization Program; the impact of the PPACA on PacificSource rates and policies; and the effects of the November 2010 election on federal health care reform.

Prior to commencement of each legislative session, proposed legislation regarding health care issues is generally presented to the task force for its consideration and possible recommendation to the Legislature. Those legislators and entities who expect to introduce legislation impacting health care in Idaho during the 2011 legislative session are encouraged to have their proposed legislation ready by the November 22nd meeting for review by the task force.

Staff Contact: Paige Alan Parker

Energy, Environment and Technology Interim Committee

The Energy, Environment and Technology Interim Committee held a three-day meeting in Idaho Falls September 27-29. The committee met at the Center for Advanced Energy Studies, which is part of the Idaho National Laboratory. Legislators heard presentations about the Center and the INL and also toured the Ridgeline Energy facility in Bonneville County. Other topics presented and discussed include:

- ▶ The sales tax rebate for builders of alternative energy projects generating over 25 KW of electricity, which is scheduled to sunset on July 1, 2011;
- ▶ Proposed legislation from the Department of Lands regarding geothermal leasing;
- ▶ Idaho Power's integrated resource plan;
- ▶ A proposal from Citizens for Responsible Wind Energy;
- ▶ An update on the status of implementing a production tax in lieu of a property tax for renewable energy projects;
- ▶ An update on Monsanto Corporation's use of electricity curtailment; and
- ▶ A presentation by the Rocky Mountain Power Company.

The committee endorsed extending the sales tax rebate upon presentation of economic data to the 2011 Legislature, and supported the concept of the legislation regarding geothermal resources.

Staff Contact: Mike Nugent

Legislative Audit Division Issues Reports

During the past three months, the Legislative Audit Division issued six management reports for the following agencies: Department of Commerce, Transportation Department, Board of Tax Appeals, School for the Deaf and Blind, Public Utilities Commission, and Blind Commission.

The Transportation Department report includes one finding: Authority and funding for the state airplane is not specifically provided in Idaho Code or identified in appropriations from the State Highway or Aeronautics Funds. During FY09, the department used more than \$650,000 of State Highway and Aeronautics Funds to subsidize the twin-engine passenger plane used primarily to transport state agency personnel and elected officials. The report recommends that the department clarify the authority and funding issue through appropriate executive order, administrative rule, and/or legislation.

The Audit Division has also issued audit reports for the seven Public Health Districts and 90-day follow-up reports for the Statewide Financial Audit and Federal Single Audit.

ARRA Affects Legislative Audits

The state of Idaho has disbursed nearly \$506 million of the \$1.3 billion in federal "Stimulus" funds authorized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. This funding has enhanced many existing federal programs as well as created several new ones during FY10. As a result, the number of federal programs that are now required to be audited for compliance increased from 15 in FY09 to 25 in FY10. Along with the additional federal funding came regulations and disclosure requirements that must be included in the annual Federal Single Audit performed by the Legislative Audits Division.

Staff anticipates completing the Federal Single Audit by the required March 31, 2011 due date through the use of overtime and compensating staff for this time using ARRA funds collected from agencies. This approach will serve as the model for completing the Single Audit during the next two years until ARRA funding has been fully disbursed.

Staff Contact: Don Berg

OPE Receives Recognition

In July at the Legislative Summit of the National Conference of State Legislatures in Louisville, Kentucky, Senator John Goedde accepted two awards from the National Legislative Program Evaluation Society on behalf of Idaho's Office of Performance Evaluations:

- ▶ 2010 Excellence in Research Methods Award for the report *Public Education Funding in Idaho*, recognizing the exceptional breadth and depth of fieldwork conducted in reaching the report's conclusions and recommendations.
- ▶ 2010 Impact Award for the report *Idaho Transportation Department Performance Audit*, which documents programmatic improvements and public policy impact.

OPE also received the 2010 Notable Documents Award from NCSL's Legislative Research Librarians for the report *Increasing Efficiencies in Idaho's Parole Process*, recognizing the report's "excellent executive summary and attractive formatting."

Complete audit reports and 90-day follow-up reports are available on the Legislature's website:

[Legislative Audits.](#)

Hard copies of audit reports are available upon request by calling the Legislative Audits Division at 334-4832.

OPE Evaluations Underway

Emergency Medical Services. In 2006, stakeholders assembled a task force to address three sections of Idaho Code that apply to the delivery of emergency medical services (EMS). About 200 agencies provide EMS for Idaho citizens, but these agencies deliver services without the direction of a governing body to oversee and coordinate services. The task force hoped to update Idaho Code by creating local authorities to govern EMS. However, during the 2010 session, stakeholders were unable to reach agreement on specifically who should govern EMS and the proposed legislation died in committee. The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee then assigned our office to study the issues.

To meet the information needs and interests of legislators, we focused our study on how well EMS functions in Idaho and to what extent it can or should be improved. We designed our methodology to include an analysis of the applicable sections of Idaho Code and a review and synthesis of national EMS literature. Additionally, we researched other states' EMS systems by surveying and interviewing state EMS directors. We also interviewed over 60 stakeholders in Idaho and observed the services provided by two agencies. We plan to release the report on November 30, 2010.

Senior Services in Idaho. At its March 2010 meeting, the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee also directed us to conduct an evaluation of senior services, with a particular emphasis on nutrition and transportation. This evaluation will look at the roles and responsibilities of the Idaho Commission on Aging, Idaho's six area agencies on aging, as well as a wide variety of service providers throughout the state. In addition, the evaluation will examine cost variations among service areas and trends in service provision.

As part of the evaluation, OPE staff have traveled to each of the six regions, meeting with area directors and staff. In addition, staff have conducted site visits to numerous senior centers and are working with the Idaho Commission on Aging and the federal Administration on Aging to better understand the working relationships among the various entities that comprise the aging network. OPE plans to release its evaluation in January 2011.

State Liquor Division. With direction from the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee, OPE is evaluating the Idaho State Liquor Division. The primary focus of the evaluation is recent agency growth and how that growth compares to the net revenues being generated for the state. The calculation of growth includes evaluating the profitability, location, and size of each state store. OPE is also evaluating the division's overall operations of security, safety, staffing, contractual agreements with private vendors, and how the division is curtailing the intemperate use of distilled spirits. The final piece of the evaluation will assess the feasibility of privatizing liquor sales in the state.

The Liquor Division was established in 1935 with the repeal of prohibition and is now distributing about \$45 million annually to the cities, counties, several dedicated funds, and the state's general fund. Since 2005, the division has added 14 new state stores, growing 28 percent. Meanwhile sales have become almost stagnant, growing less than two percent in the last year.

The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee will meet on November 30 to release an OPE study on emergency medical services. The meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Capitol Auditorium, room WW02 in the Garden Level of the Capitol.

Staff Contact: Rakesh Mohan

Capitol Update

Construction and renovation of Idaho's Capitol Building has been complete for a year now. Since reopening to the public in January 2010, nearly 15,000 visitors took guided tours of the building, in addition to the thousands of others who visited on self-guided tours. The majority of those visitors have said they were pleased with the restoration project and are grateful the building continues to function as a "working Capitol."

In an effort to better serve the public and legislators, several small facility enhancements were completed during the interim. This work includes enhanced ADA access, better building signage, additional lighting and improvements to the heating/cooling systems. Another change includes who to contact to make reservations to use space within the building. Please note the new contact information below.

The Legislature's return to the building is upon us and I look forward to another historic session in our state's most recognizable landmark! In the meantime, please stop by the gift shop to purchase a Capitol Christmas Ornament. These limited-edition ornaments make great holiday gifts or a special keepsake of your own.

Staff Contact: Robyn Lockett

CAPITOL SPACE RESERVATION GUIDE

Senate President Pro Tem's Office: Mary Sue Jones, 332-1302

- ▶ Senate hearing rooms, meeting rooms and chambers
- ▶ Capitol Auditorium
- ▶ Capitol Dining Room (kitchen use restricted to the Rooster's Eatery)
- ▶ Rotunda areas (except 2nd floor), Public Lounge & Statuary Hall

House Speaker's Office: Sue Frieders, 332-1111; Terri Franks-Smith, 332-1112

- ▶ House hearing rooms, meeting rooms and chambers
- ▶ Social Calendar (Terri Franks-Smith)

Legislative Services Office: Robyn Lockett, 334-4855

- ▶ Tours, 332-1012
- ▶ Welcome Room

Department of Administration: Tracy Whittington, 332-1933

- ▶ Front Steps and Capitol Grounds
- ▶ 2nd floor Rotunda area

Legislative Services Staff News

Information Technology Division

Long-time Network Administrator **Marshall Pinkston** retired from the Legislative Services Office in August. Everyone at the Legislature will miss his expertise, professionalism and, especially, his patience and good humor. We wish him the best in all his future endeavors.

Due to Marshall's retirement, the IT Division reorganized and distributed network administration responsibilities between **Adam Martineau** and newly hired **Jeff McFarland**. User support will now be provided by IT Division Manager Glenn Harris and IT Specialist Soren Jacobson, and legislators and staff should contact the Help Desk — 334-4747—for computer assistance.

Jeff McFarland joined the IT Division staff in September. Jeff and his wife recently relocated to Idaho from California. Jeff brings with him several years of experience in the IT field. His most recent experience is with the Kerman Unified School District in California where he was the systems administrator. Jeff also spent seven years in the California Air National Guard as a Computer Systems Operation Specialist with the 144th Fighter Wing in Fresno.

Budget and Policy Analysis Division

The Budget and Policy Analysis Division added **Matt Ellsworth** to its staff as a budget analyst in September. Matt earned a bachelor's degree in political science from Clemson University in South Carolina and a master's degree in public administration from Boise State University. His past experience includes working with the Caldwell Economic Development Council as an economic development specialist, the City of Meridian as associate city planner, and the Department of Health and Welfare as a management analyst.

Legislative Audit Division

The Audit Division recruited two staff auditors to fill vacant positions in July:

James Barrett-Spencer graduated from Boise State University with a bachelor's degree of business administration in accountancy. James previously worked for Micron Technology and Fisher Communications, and is an active community volunteer.

Suzanne Jones graduated from BSU with a bachelor's degree of science in accountancy. In August 2010, she received a master's degree of science in accountancy from BSU. Suzie interned for the City of Boise in its Internal Audit Department and has experience working at various private accounting firms.

Computer user support and training will be provided to legislators and staff by Glenn Harris and Soren Jacobson. To request their assistance, please call the IT Help Desk — 334-4747.

Proposed Administrative Rules

All administrative rules submitted to the Legislature for review during the interim are available online, along with analysis by staff of the Research and Legislation Division. For a complete listing, please see <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/sessioninfo/2010/interim/adminrules/rules.htm>.

Staff Contact: Charmi Arregui

New in the Legislative Library

Biography

- Acceptance of the Statue of William Edgar Borah Presented by the State of Idaho.** (923.2 B67 1948)
- Borah of Idaho.** Claudius O. Johnson. (923.2 B67 1936)
- The Compleat Phil Batt: A Kaleidoscope.** Phil Batt. (920 B38 1999)
- First Ladies of Idaho.** Idaho Historical Auxiliary. (920.72 I33 1970)
- Frank R. Gooding: Memorial Services Held in the House of Representatives of the United States.** (923.2 G66 1929)
- Life as a Geezer.** Phil Batt. (920 B38 2002)
- A Lifelong Affair: My Passion for People and Politics.** Bethine Church. (920 C48 2003)
- McClure of Idaho.** William L. Smallwood. (923.2 M33 2007)
- Weldon Brinton Heyburn: Memorial Addresses Delivered in the Senate and the House of Representatives.** (923.2 H49 1914)
- Who's Who of Idaho Women of the Past: A Reference Dictionary.** Betty Penson-Ward. (920.72 P46 1981)

Budget

- Early Care and Education State Budget Actions FY2010.** National Conference of State Legislatures. (362.712 P67 2010)
- Idaho Economic Forecast.** Idaho Division of Financial Management. (330.9 I33 2010 no. 3)
- Legislative Budget Book.** Budget and Policy Analysis, Idaho Legislative Services Office. (351.7223 I FY2011)
- Legislative Fiscal Report.** Budget and Policy Analysis, Idaho Legislative Services Office. (351.7225 I 2010)

Corrections

- Increasing Efficiencies in Idaho's Parole Process.** Office of Performance Evaluations, Idaho State Legislature, 2010. (352.439796 I 10-02)

Operational Efficiencies in Idaho's Prison System.

Office of Performance Evaluations, Idaho State Legislature, 2010. (352.439796 I 10-01)

Directories

Directory of Idaho State and County Elected Officials.

Idaho Association of Counties. (352.0073 I 2010)

History

The Eagle and the Shield: A History of the Great Seal of the United States.

Richard S. Patterson and Richardson Dougall. (929.973 P38 1976)

Model and Uniform Laws

Handbook on Uniform State Laws and Proceedings.

National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. (348 N 2001 – 2008)

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