### **Nearly Two Years Later**

by Sharon Meyer

Much has happened in the 21 months since I joined BWSD. Here is a recap:

**Personnel** - We are updating job descriptions with operators, and with a community-member panel, developed Personnel Policy and Procedure manual, based on ICRMC (Idaho Counties Risk Management Programs) guidance. We are instituting changes in banking procedures, including electronic billing, making sure all funds are FDIC insured,

**Board Responsibilities** - Outside of monthly meetings, several board members are training with the Idaho Department of Labor; discussion topics range from board responsibilities to worker rights. We are reviewing weekly IRWA (Idaho Rural Water Association) online email educational opportunities. All of these opportunities help me better understand the bigger picture of our water and sewer board responsibilities.

Expenses - A rate increase was approved, along with increasing late fees for delinquent accounts. Additionally, a new water shut-off policy has been established. Don Gardner and Marsha Ritzheimer applied for and received a grant to place generators at two needed locations on the Cape. These will be installed in the coming months. Steve May and Rich Doney have applied for a loan through DEQ (Department of Environment Quality) which, if approved, will supply low-interest funding for the Dromore tank upgrade along with necessary water system improvements. And it feels exceptionally good that audits have been completed in a timely fashion.

**Transparency** - We welcome your input. Please feel free to contact board members with your thoughts, come to our monthly board meetings, review the BWSD website at http://www.bayviewwaterandsewer.com for a review of our monthly minutes, and more.

*In summary* - A lot has happened in the nearly 2 years since my swearing in. Much remains to be done. I now have a better appreciation for the complexity and obligation of serving on the water board, and the need for a 6-year commitment.

### **Tower Rises One More Step**

by Sheryl Puckett

Thank you to the approximately 28 Bayview residents that attended the Cell Tower Public Hearing on February 16.

Hearing Examiner, Steve Frampton, on March 2nd made his recommendation for **APPROVAL** for a cell tower in Bayview. This recommendation will go before the County Board of Commissioners on March 16 at 9 a.m. on their deliberation agenda. Mr. Frampton, in his 12 page report, stated the following: The proposal is:

- COMPATIBLE with existing homes, businesses and neighbors, and with the natural characteristics of the area.
- ADEQUATELY addresses site constraints, or hazards, and adequately mitigates any negative environment, social and economic impacts.
- WILL MEET the duly adopted requirements of other agencies with jurisdiction.
- IS NOT IN CONFLICT with Comprehensive Plan
- Sevices and facilities ARE AVAILABLE and adequate.

The Council and the Cell Tower Committee believe all signals are loud and clear for our success.

### Stylist/Barber Makes the Cut

Sue Bloom, a hair stylist and barber, with 34 years of experience is now offering her services in Athol. For the past two months Sue has been working at Robin's Salon after moving here from Colorado. Her mom lives in Cocolalla and is now 77 so it was time to come north to help her. Sue enjoys meeting new people and finding a style that works best for them.

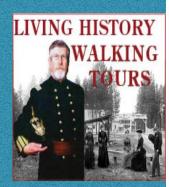
She is a huge Century rider and for those that don't know what that means, it's a hundred mile bike rider. Sue also loves hiking and has hiked 53 of the 14,000 foot mountains in Colorado.

Sue works Saturdays and Mondays from 10 to 6 and can come in earlier if needed. According to salon owner, Robin,McKellar, Sue is the <u>only</u> barber in Athol. So, all you guys out there, no more long drives to town are necessary.

For appointments call Robin's Salon at 683-5555.

# A Special <u>Historical Presentation</u>

At the Bayview
Community Council
Meeting
March 28, 7 p.m.
at the
Community Center



Don't miss Robert Singletary of the North Idaho Museum. He will be portraying a Farragut Naval Commander.

## Spring is coming...must be Garden Time! by Jan Jones

With Spring around the corner, it's time for the Memorial Garden at the Bayview View Community Center to come alive. Last year, we started a group of volunteers, affectionately known as the FOTG's (Friends Of The Garden). Some of these wonderful volunteers have adopted a specific section of the Garden for care and weeding, but other volunteers are always welcome to come and help. We hope many more can join us this year. It's good exercise with good friends.

On **April 6**, 9 a.m, there will be a meeting of the FOTGs for everyone interested in keeping the Memorial Garden beautiful. This meeting is open to all and will be at the Center. Thursday, **April 20**, will be the day for the community "wake up & clean up" of the garden sponsored by the EE-DAH-HAW Garden club.

Everyone in the community is welcome to come and help, assisting Garden Club members and the FOTGs in the semi-annual clean up day. Starts 9 a.m., refreshments for all, bring your own gloves and tools.

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## New Info on Tree to Tree Adventure Park

By Kellye Shaw, Director of Marketing & Media

An Oregon company, Tree To Tree Extreme, LLC is currently in the planning process to build an aerial adventure course within Farragut State Park under a leased land agreement. Slated to open in Summer 2017 the tree-top obstacle course, Tree To Tree Idaho will boast over 90 elements of varying difficulty up to 40 feet above the ground and include Ziplines, net swings, cable bridges and more for thrill seekers aged 6 and above.

Tree To Tree Extreme, LLC is a partnership between owners of Adirondack Extreme Adventure Course in Bolton Landing, NY and Tree To Tree in Portland Oregon and would be the second park to open under this joint venture. Tree To Tree Cape May, in New Jersey opened in July of 2016.

"Farragut State Park is a perfect location: a beautiful terrain; healthy hearty trees; and existing infrastructure" says Marissa Doyle, Principal for Tree To Tree Extreme, LLC. Doyle also reassured that the build process follows industry leading green standards with minimal tree removal to maintain the health and beauty of the park. "Only dead trees will need to be removed for this build" said Doyle.

The site is currently utilized for Disc Golf and an overnight camping area. Disc Golf will remain in the same spot while camping will be relocated to another area of Farragut State Park to accommodate the 4 adult courses and 2 children's tree-top courses that will cover 4.5 acres. Open rain or shine, Tree To Tree Idaho will operate April through September and provide a fun family activity for all athletic abilities.

"All of our courses are progressively challenging and allow climbers to set their own limits. Before embarking on the actual course each guest completes brief but thorough training of how to navigate the different elements and use climbing gear on a practice circuit just a few feet off the ground." Doyle said.

For more information Contact: kellye@kshawmedia.com

### May 27 Community Yard Sale

Sponsored by the Council.

More information to come in the April Shore Lines.

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Go to our Facebook page or website to see fun photos of the Mardi Gras celebration . Go to: http://bayviewcommunitycouncil.org/