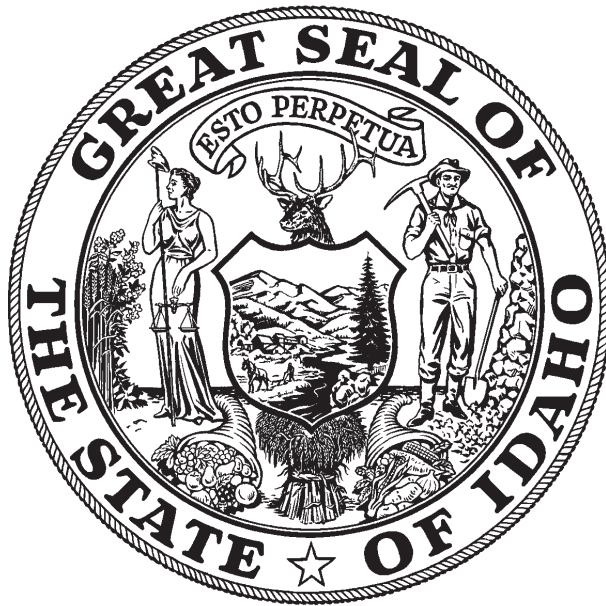


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SECRETARY OF STATE

DEDICATION

Dear Fellow Idahoans:

It is my pleasure to dedicate this edition of the Idaho Blue Book to Linden B. Bateman of Idaho Falls. Linden Bateman is a husband, father, grandfather, teacher, political cartoonist, author, legislator, statesman, and lover of all things Idaho. He began his romance with history at the age of 7 when his mother, on a family outing, found and gave him an arrowhead fashioned by Idaho's original residents. He clutched it so tightly throughout the drive home that his hand perspired and cramped. Linden thus learned first-hand that artifacts can inspire a love for history. Over the years, he has given hundreds of arrowheads and buffalo nickels to children. My own grandchildren received one of his business cards with a buffalo nickel attached while visiting the legislature.

Linden is a man who loves Idaho with a passion and has dedicated his life to education and service. Linden graduated in 1962 from Brigham Young University with a degree in Political Science. He retired after 43 years as a public school teacher, teaching Government and World History, and was later a student teacher supervisor for ISU and BYU-I. Linden served his first term in the House of Representatives in 1977 and retired from the House in 2016.

Linden Bateman has spent his life promoting history. He is a charter member of the Bonneville Historical Society, having chaired the committee that established the first historical museum in Bonneville County. He served as a member of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and has received the Liberty Bell Award* from the Seventh District Lawyers Association.

Also a champion for cursive writing, Linden Bateman believes that much of history will be lost to future generations if they are unable to read the writings of our original documents.

Linden will tell you one of his greatest achievements in Idaho government has been his role in helping make Idahoans more aware of the state's heritage by authoring and helping to pass House Bill 378 in 2014, which recognizes March 4 as "Idaho Day." It is not only a day that marks the day Abraham Lincoln declared the Territory of Idaho, but also a day to celebrate Idaho's continuously emerging culture and history.

I want to thank Linden Bateman for redesigning the Declaration of Election document issued from this office. The first newly designed documents were issued after the 2016 general election.

Linden and his wife Deann have three children and, at last count, eight grandchildren.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Denney
Secretary of State

**The Liberty Bell Award is the bar's highest honor awarded to a non-lawyer. It recognizes those who have given outstanding service by giving their time and energy to strengthen the effectiveness of the American system of freedom under law, in keeping with the spirit of our constitution.*

Thank you to David Leroy for his help in putting this information together.



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When in the Course of Human
Events it becomes Necessary

Four Score And Seven
Years ago

Jeffrey Bateman



PREFACE

The *Idaho Blue Book* is published biennially under the direction of the Secretary of State. This twenty-fourth edition offers constitutional, historical, and statistical information about Idaho. It also details the structure of Idaho's government and includes biographies of elected officials.

The Blue Book received its name not from the color of its cover but rather by definition of content. Bartlett's Dictionary of Americanisms defines the term Blue Book as "a printed book containing the names of all persons holding office under the Government of the United States. It answers the Red Book of England." Individual states have taken this concept and expanded it to include a wealth of information about state officials and resources as well as statistical and historical profiles.

This office strives for the greatest accuracy possible with this type of publication. However, because of the constant changes, some information contained within the section on Governor's Appointments is out of date even as this book is being printed.

To make this edition of the *Idaho Blue Book* possible required the assistance of many people throughout local, county, and state government. Their help has been indispensable. You know who you are, and I thank you for all of the help and support.

With the inclusion of "Idaho Day," I decided that the theme for this edition should be preserving Idaho's history. I would like to thank Janet Gallimore, Executive Director of the Idaho State Historical Society, and especially Tricia Canaday, the State Historic Preservation Outreach Historian, for offering their time and resources to make this edition possible. Laura Weston, though she is not of Idaho, also played a big part in preparing this book. Her love, support, and interest in all things historical cannot be overstated. Thank you, Laura.

This is my final edition of the Idaho Blue Book. As I move on to another adventure in my life, in another state, I will always think of Idaho fondly. It is a place of beauty, and I will miss its magnificent splendor. I'm also grateful to know that I've played a small part in shaping Idaho's history, hopefully for the better. Thank you, Idaho, and farewell.

I hope that you find the *Idaho Blue Book* to be an interesting and useful resource on the State of Idaho.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey S. Harvey
Editor

Preserving Idaho's Historic Places

In this year's Blue Book, many of the photos depict locations that are listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The NRHP is the official list of properties that are considered important in our past, and are worthy of preservation. But why should we bother preserving?

Think about the buildings in your community. Which stand out? Which are the properties that draw your eye as you drive down the street? The places in town that everyone knows? There's a good chance they are historic buildings.

Historic buildings make each community unique and give us a sense of place and belonging by connecting us to our past. These are the places that make us all feel a little sense of ownership, even though we don't actually own them ourselves: the big house on the edge of town; the neighborhood grocery; the town library. Even though we don't always think about it until it's too late, they are the places that, when we lose them, change our communities. They're part of the fabric of our lives and they are irreplaceable.

But historic preservation is also an economic driver. History and historic sites are one of the top tourism draws in Idaho and in the U.S. People travel to have new experiences, so they seek out those sites unique to the places they visit. Preserving a community's historic resources makes sense because it can help to draw visitors and stimulate the local economy.

The Idaho State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) – part of the Idaho State Historical Society - administers several programs that promote historic preservation and bring value to communities throughout the state. The SHPO manages the National Register program, assisting property owners to gain the honor of recognition. The Certified Local Government program offers annual grants to communities and counties, and provides them technical assistance to pursue their own preservation priorities.

The SHPO administers the Federal Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit program, working with owners of income-producing properties to secure federal income tax credits for the rehabilitation work they do on their historic properties. These projects, like the renovation of the Owyhee Hotel in Boise, help revitalize downtowns throughout Idaho by providing financial incentive to reuse the iconic buildings of our Main Streets. In addition, the SHPO consults with federal agencies on their projects in Idaho, giving local voice to federal action. Through the Section 106 process, the SHPO consults on approximately 1,500 federal projects a year, ensuring that consideration is given to Idaho's cultural resources in the federal decision-making process. Countless irreplaceable archaeological sites and historic buildings have been preserved through these efforts.

The SHPO also offers outreach and education programs, including Idaho Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month activities each May, and has been a leader in creating new knowledge regarding Idaho's past through collaborative projects like the Bear River Massacre archeological mapping project, that has given us a better understanding of the tragic events of 1863.

For more information on historic preservation in Idaho, or any of these programs, visit our website at: <https://history.idaho.gov> or contact the ISHS Administration Office at 208-334-2682, or the SHPO at 208-488-7460.

Text courtesy of Tricia Canaday, State Historic Preservation Office Outreach Historian

Photographs of Idaho's Historic Places

Idaho has over 1,000 National Register listings, comprised of over 5,500 buildings, sites, structures, objects and districts. Clearly, we cannot include them all, but you can see some of them on the pages listed below.

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Union Pacific Mainline Depot

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