#### MAKING MEMORIES IN SOUTHEAST IDAHO! The American Falls area is

Visit our calendar of events for activities happening all year! There's heritage & winter festivals, concerts, plays, fishing derbys, rodeos, ski races, horseraces, freestyle competitions, tractor pulls, corn mazes, triathlons, marathons, 5k's & more!

North of Pocatello is the Fort to witness their Shoshone-

Hall Reservation, home of the Bannock Indian Festival.

Shoshone-Bannock Tribes. Idaho's largest outdoor

The Shoshone and Bannock cultural celebration and

bands signed the Fort Bridger listed in the Top 100 Indian

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## IdahoHighCountry.org 888-201-1063

butterflies at The Butterfly

The festival is home to

the famous Indian Relay

competition, and Art &

Crafts market selling their

famous handmade bead

work. While visiting, stay

enjoy gaming, a spa visit,

overnight at the Shoshone-

Jensen Grove offers 35-acres include Celebrate Blackfoot, Labor Day weekend.

For more information: Idaho Potato Museum & Visitor Information Center (208) 785-2517

**IDAHO POTATO MUSEUM** 

dine at the Camas Grill for

cultural cuisine, and shop

at the Donzia Gift Shop for

some unique cultural gifts.

For more info about Tribe

history & culture contact:

(208) 237-9791

www.sbtribes.com

Fort Hall Tribal Museum

4 POCATELLO Courses and an active Greenway are some of the area. Challenging rockclimbing, world-class mountain bike trails,

an outdoorsman's paradise.

The city of American Falls

sits along the banks of a

Snake River. The reservoir

contains 56,000-acres of

deep water for boating and

fishing enthusiasts. Birding is

a popular sport in American

Falls with over 200 bird species flying along this

migration corridor. Willow

Bay and Sportsman's Park are

large reservoir and the

strolling through the origina architecture in *Historic* 

and Portneuf Kiddie Cove

of American Falls is Massacre

Rocks State Park. The park

has a campground, hiking

trails, boat ramps, a disc golf **Commerce** 

course, and a visitor's center. AmFallsChamber.com

up-close at the Zoo Idaho.

**Greater American Falls** 

Area Chamber of

two camping sites located

Springs Resort and RV is

right on the reservoir. Indian

only a few minutes south of

their naturally heated, 90° F

stand in awe of saber tooth

American Falls Reservoir with

Lava Hot Springs is the go-to cool down, *The Olympic* vacation town to unwind thanks *Swimming Complex* has diving to the World-Famous Lava Hot platforms up to 10 meters high Pools, an all-natural hot spring diving boards, four speed and facility open year-round to the water slides, and an AquaZip'N public. Five sulfur-free mineral around a million-gallon pool.

The Indoor Aquatic Center

portions of the complex are open all year. Throughout town the many attractions challenge course, river tubing, go-karts, golf, wagon rides, hiking, a museum, shopping, and a diverse selection of

and 400 RV hookups. **Lava Hot Springs** Chamber of Commerce LavaHotSprings.org LavaHotSprings.com 800-423-8597

Lava Hot Springs unbeatable



Soda Springs is a pioneer Sheep Rock Point, naturally playground. There are carbonated water at Hooper numerous historic sites Springs Park, and many more including Oregon Trail Visit Formation Springs and wagon ruts remaining from Cave Preserve or Grays Lake the migration west, the National Wildlife Refuge for

world's only captive geyser, scenic wildlife views or play

Wagon Master guides visitors U.S. 89 and 30, takes visitors that includes a ride in a back to the olden days with live performances reenacting The Rails & Trails Museum

within the center displays artifacts, diaries, and relics of the pioneers from Bear Lake Valley. The daily Living History Tours run daily fron 9 AM – 5 PM, Memorial Da to Labor Day. After a day on the trails, head over to the Butch Cassidy Museum and see the last standing bank

Kelly Park and Bailey Creek

or drop an ice fishing line at

Alexander Reservoir. Take a

day trip 30 minutes west of

Soda Springs to the historic

National Oregon/ California Trail Center 320 N. 4th St or 866-847-3800

that Butch Cassidy robbed! Montpelier, Idaho 83254 OregonTrailCenter.org (208) 847-3800

For More Information:

City of Soda Springs

SodaSpringsID.com

(208) 547-2600



folks for the parade, rodeo, fair food, and wacky events. A few miles southeast is Downata Hot Springs, an allnatural hot spring complex with water slides, soaking

trails, birdwatching posts, and the swimming pool. pools, and a naturallyheated swimming pool. Stay overnight in Downata

For More Information: City of Downey (208) 897-5342





9 PRESTON & FRANKLIN

town in Idaho and has much

to offer in rustic beauty

Downey is recognized for

first stagecoach station in

the first route of the Pony

Southeast Idaho, as well as

County Fair in August draws

Express in Idaho. The Bannock

its contributions to the

where up to 400 Shoshone Native Americans were killed

pools and hot tubs.

(208) 852-1817



Lake Bonneville Flood

Valley is the home of

15,000 years ago, Marsh

Downey, a rural town of

775 residents. Downey was

Nicknamed the "Caribbean of the Rockies", Bear Lake straddles the Utah-Idaho border with 20 miles of crystal clear, turquoise blue water. Summers are filled with on-the-water

Great Basin and the Rocky

is also bustling during winter with activities like skiing, and ice fishing. The surrounding Wasatch-Cache National Forest offers hiking,

biking, and ATV trails with

their annual *Raspberry Days* Festival, celebrating the famous Bear Lake raspberry harvest. The festival hosts a craft fair, live concerts, activities for kids, and, of course, lots of raspberry

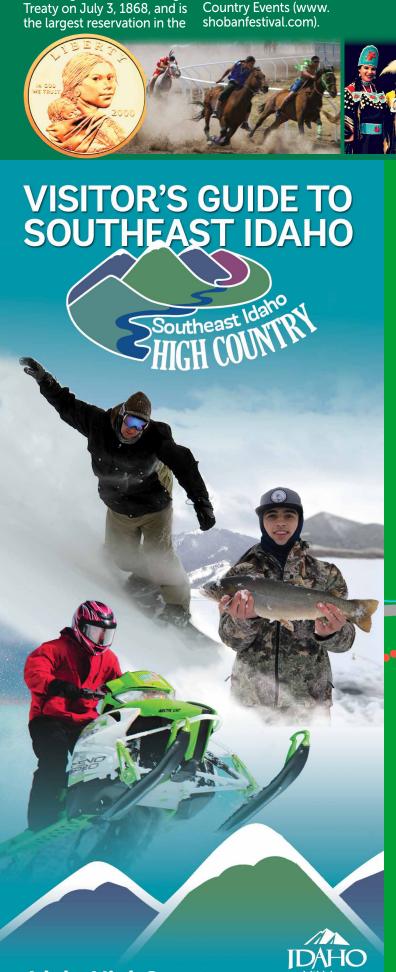
For more information: Bear Lake Valley Convention & Visitors Bureau 800-448-2327(BEAR) BearLake.org



and snowshoeing in the high (1st & 2nd weekends canyons. Nearby Samaria is in August), 4th of July home to Malad Valley Heritage Celebration and fireworks, Square, preserving the legacy classic car show in May, and

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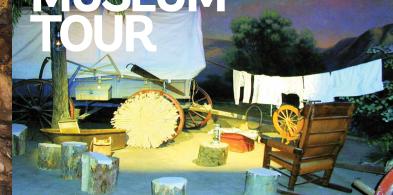












Forces of nature created them for us to enjoy, thankfully without the sulfur or chemical odor usually associated with natural hot springs. Several springs are developed and popular with visitors and locals alike.

AMERICAN FALLS Indian Springs Resort & RV (pictured right) is named for the historic encampment of Native Americans at this natural hot springs 2 miles southwest of American Falls on Hwy 37. Today you will find amenities such as a large heated swimming pool, a large park with shelters, spacious RV parking and tent sites. Nearby Massacre Rocks State Park is popular with Oregon Trail history buffs. For information call (208) 226-7700 or IndianSpringsResortAndRV.com.



**DOWNEY** Downata Hot Springs (pictured above and at bottom) is 3½ miles southeast of Downey on US 91. Natural hot water flows year round through this large swimming pool and soaking pools. The facility provides a meeting room, snack bar, restaurant, and tranquility room with sauna and massage room. During the summer, children enjoy the large water playground. Two large hyrdotube rides and pool slides thrill all ages. The resort accommodates overnighters at several cabins and yurts or RV Park with hookups, tent sites, Conestoga wagons and tepees. Picnic areas are available for summer reunions. Winter and summer groups welcome. For information go to DownataHotSprings.com or (208) 897-5736.

LAVA HOT SPRINGS At Idaho's World Famous Lava Hot Springs (pictured at top and right), 2.5 million gallons of naturallyfiltered odor free spring water flows through five hot pools at five different temperatures each day. Heated sidewalks and floors in the modern dressing rooms warm your feet to and from the pools. Numerous hot pools and indoor tubs are located throughout town at outdoor locations and in a number of hotels. For other pool information call the Lava Chamber of Commerce at (208) 776-5500, or visit *LavaHotSprings.org*. Lava Hot Springs is 11 miles east of I-15 exit 47 on US 30. Open year round 363 days a year.

PRESTON Riverdale Resort (pictured right) features a large outdoor swimming pool and hot tubs fed by natural hot water, including a therapeutic jetted tub. A hydrotube pool and children's pool make this a good family outing. A gaming room and snack bar compliment the changing and locker rooms. The resort has eight motel rooms with hot tubs in every room. Riverdale Resort is next to the Bear River in a very scenic valley five miles north of

LavaHotSprings.com or call 800-423-8597.

Preston at the intersection

information at (208) 852-0266,

of state hwys 34 & 36,

or RiverdaleResort.com.

Whatever vacation you're looking for—non-stop activities for adventurous spirits or relaxing daytrips for an easy going pace— Southeast Idaho welcomes you to a backcountry paradise!

**CAMPING** Southeast Idaho is a

nountain ranges, a plethora of wildlife, and numerous outdoor activities will entice any outdoor lover to get into nature. No matter your camping style, Southeast Idaho will quickly become your go-to camping retreat. *Bear Lake* State Park and Massacre Rocks State Park are open for tent and trailer camping. There are also Ranger Guard stations scattered throughout the *Caribou-Targhee National*Forest which are open during the summer. Dozens of privately owned campgrounds and cabins rentals are available across the Southeast Idaho region.

**TRAILS** More than 1,000 miles of groomed trails for within the public lands of Southeast Idaho. Non-motorized trails for hiking, backpacking and riding horses are available in several areas. Travel the mountain 55-mile Highline Trail. For a more family-friendly nature walk, explore the 0.7-mile looped Scout Mountain Nature Trail. Lava's Centennial Trail leads hikers to a beautiful overlook of downtown Lava Hot Springs.

**GOLF COURSES** open to the public listed by city, number of Aberdeen-9, 208-397-5308; American Falls-9, 208-226-5827; Bear Lake-9, 208-945-2744; Blackfoot-18, 208-785-9960; Lava Hot Springs-9, 208-648-4170 Montpelier-9, 208-847-1981; Pocatello Highland-18, 208-237-9922; Pocatello Riverside-18, 208-232-9515; Preston-18, 8208-52-2408; Soda Springs-9 208-<u>547-2204</u>.

**BIRDING** Right in our own backyard, the American Falls migration corridor is recognized as an IBA site by the Idaho Audubon Council. Birders will see over 200 bird species along the corridor. You'll also want to visit Curlew National Grasslands, in Oneida and Power counties, for Sage Thrasher, Sharp-tailed Grouse, Mountain Bluebird, and Ferruginous Hawk. 15 sites throughout the area are listed on our website and in the downloadable brochure "Birding Trails in Southeast Idaho." It also lists species, season, and habitat.

**ROCK CLIMBING** Pocatello's Ross Park provides climbing routes for all skill levels. The basalt rock cliffs have two main areas, Sunny Side and Shady Side. Routes are rated from 5.6-5.12 between the two climbing areas. Parts of these routes reach up to 30 feet! Ross Park is also oldest rock-climbing competition in America. This competition has divisions for locals and non-locals. Contestants and spectators come from all over to see and participate

FISHING 44 lakes and reservoirs dot the Southeast Idaho landscape and provide ample fishing opportunities for legendary catches. Chesterfield and Daniels Reservoirs have fantastic fishing holes with rainbow trout and cutthroat trout. Lamont Reservoir has bluegill, pumpkinseed, sunfish, largemouth bass, and more! The Blackfoot River is a 130-mile sizeable, flowing river and is an appreciable setting for fly fishing as its many miles help keep fly fishing pressure down.

WATER SPORTS Find some time to unwind in scenic Southeast Idaho waters. Visit beautiful Bear Lake for unforgettable boating and sailing or rent a jet ski. American Falls Reservoir is one of the area's largest bodies of water and is a local's favorite for a fun getaway. Rent a pontoon boat for a family outing or birding opportunities. Jensen Grove in Blackfoot is another great boating and jet ski location with a sandy beach for the little ones.

**SWIMMING** Lava Hot Springs Olympic Swimming Complex (pictured below) is quickly becoming one of Idaho's premiere water parks. It houses a one-million-gallon outdoor swimming pool with a shallow end and deep end with platforms and diving boards. The Portneuf Kiddie Cove, located inside the indoor swimming complex, has water fountains and a zerodepth pool which is perfect for first-time swimmers. For a swim in nature, hike to *Bloomington Lake*, one of many mountain lakes in the area. Bloomington Lake is a scenic location with snow-capped cliffs overlooking the water.



**TUBING** Lava Hot Springs is home to not only great swimming pools and hot springs, but it also features one of the best floating rivers in the country! (pictured below right) This portion of the *Portneuf River* includes drops, rapids, and deep water. Visitors can rent tubes from vendors current, float the lower Portneuf

**PADDLE SPORTS** Southeast Idaho is an outdoor playground, and one of the best ways to explore it is on the water! Use stand-up paddleboards at Bear Lake and venture the turquoise-blue water. Rent a kayak at American Falls Reservoir for a day floating the largest reservoir of the Snake

River in Pocatello.

River. Take a canoe or kayak down a portion of the Snake River from *Tilden Bridge* to *McTucker Ponds*. It's a relaxing stretch of water, and you can even drop a line and try catching fish along the way! Black Canyon Gorge (pictured below), located right outside Grace, has class 5 whitewater rapids which is appropriate for expert boaters only.

As the weather turns cold, anticipation of the flying snow creates enthusiasm for playing in Southeast Idaho's winter wonderland, as well as looking forward to a relaxing trip to the hot pools afterward. Round out a winter getaway in a backcountry yurt, cabin or cozy hotel room.

**SNOWSHOEING** Many summertime trails make great places to enjoy winter's scenic beauty. The Highline Trail or the Bear River countryside, where steam from natural geothermal waters rise, create stunning photography opportunities. Rentals are available at Baker Ranch in Lava Hot Springs. Take a loop or head up a mountain draw with Fido with the *Idaho State Parks* and Recreation Park n' Ski Program. Just South of Pocatello, seven plowed lots provide access to five different trails with outand-back experiences, loops and even a ripping downhill.

**CROSS COUNTRY SKIING** Seven miles south of Pocatello is

the East Fork Mink Creek Nordic Center with 20km of groomed skate and classic ski trails as well as snowshoe trails and a sledding hill. Kelly Park in Soda Springs offers about 7km of groomed trails. Baker Ranch in Lava Hot Springs has a groomed trail for beginner and intermediate skinny skiers. Buy an Idaho Parks and Recreation Park-n-Ski pass to break your own trail from seven plowed parking lots in the Mink Creek Park N' Ski Area. Passes are also

honored in Oregon. ALPINE SKIING & **SNOWBOARDING** For an honest challenge, ski Pebble Creek Ski Area on Mount Bonneville offer 54 runs of every level of difficulty. Two groomed terrain parks are continually growing and changing. Festivals like the Telemark, the Freestyle Rally, and the Wildflower Festival add to the ski area's

popularity. Spectators love to attend the Monster Dummy Jump. Dummies mounted on skis or snowboards cruise a downhill course with a jump at the bottom. For information on Snowshoeing, XC-Skiing, Downhill Skiing and Snowboarding visit idahohighcountry.org/cat/cross-country-skiing/ ICE FISHING on American Falls,

Devils Creek and over 30 other reservoirs is a popular winter pastime. Fish Bear Lake for the Bonneville Cisco, a species found nowhere else on earth. Other fish in the area include trout, chinook, salmon, steelhead, sturgeon,bass, bluegill, perch and more. Download "Ice Fishing in Southeast Idaho" for locations, idahohighcountry.org/cat/ice-fishing/

**SNOWMOBILING** Wide open powdery playgrounds, mountain trails, and fresh air on over 600 miles of groomed trails lead to magnificent winter scenery in Southeast Idaho's winter wonderland. Easy access to trailheads, and snowmobile rentals are available in most communities. Warming huts, yurts and lodges are accessible from the trails. Several Guest Ranches offer snowmobiling right from the front door. For GPS coordinates, registration, rental information and to download trail maps, go to idahohighcountry.org/ snowmobile/

Pioneer history is a major part of what helped shape the culture of Southeast Idaho. Through the Rocky Mountains, across the desert plains, and along our beautiful rivers, pioneers blazed the trail for modern day living. We can appreciate their history as we retrace their steps at places like the Fort Hall Replica and Massacre Rocks State Park Visitors Center (pictured above). Travel the *Pioneer Historic Byway* and the Bear Lake-Oregon Trail Scenic Byway for educational stops and the pastoral beauty of a bygone era.

FRANKLIN HISTORIC **DISTRICT** Multiple historic ouildings in Franklin include the Pioneer Relic Hall, the one-room one-story Old City Hall, and the

**ONEIDA STAKE ACADEMY** (Pictured above right) The *Oneida Stake Academy's* construction lasted

four years, from 1890-1894, under the guidance of Germanborn castle maker, John Nuffer. It served as the community's school, event center, and meeting house. In 2004, it was moved from Preston High School to its current location and is now a culturally rich cultural center and museum

HOOPER SPRING After Hooper Spring (pictured right) in Soda Springs was a delight to Oregon Trail encampments. It is famous for its bubbly carbonated waters where pioneers would combine sugar and flavoring to make homemade soda pop. Today, visitors can still make their own sodas and make a toast to the travelers of

PARIS TABERNACLE Designed in 1889 to serve as a meeting house for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the tabernacle is a result of a massive 15-year toil. It is an impressive Romanesque red sandstone building quarried from Indian Creek Canyon 18 miles away across Bear Lake. Tours are offered Memorial Day through Labor Day. (Pictured right)

CALIFORNIA TRAIL CENTER

ilm, paintings, historical displays and live performers in period costume to help visitors learn more about the historical migration across America of more than a half-million people. Visitors walk on the very soil of the Clover Creek Encampment which was significant as having crossed the last stretch of the Rocky Mountains.

CHESTERFIELD The Historic District is without res not abandoned. In 1980, it was listed on the National Register Foundation's Mormon Historic Sites Registry. It includes 41 buildings and eight sites, spread out over an area of 2,160 acres. Chesterfield is open for tours from Memorial Day through Labor Day, with a large celebration every Memorial Day

MALAD VALLEY HERITAGE SQUARE Located in nearby amaria, is a venue created to honor the Welsh pioneer egacy. Malad Valley contains the highest percentage of Welsh descendants outside of Wales, and the square honors this heritage with three authentic pioneer cabins. Olive Davis Osmond, mother of the famous Osmond family band, was born in the *Thomas John Davis Cabin*. A trip to Heritage Square includes the Welsh Children's Farm where kids can meet Welsh sheep and ponies.

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what it is today: shifting land plates to push the mountains up. descending from the Rocky Mountains. Visitors come from all over to witness geological formations that can't be found anywhere else. From rock passes to underground lava tubes, see why Southeast Idaho is a rockhound's haven.

MINNETONKA CAVE Take a half-mile tour through astounding stalactites, stalagmites, and banded travertine. *Minnetonka Cave*, located in St. Charles, is Idaho's largest limestone cave with tours available for groups of up to 30 people. The cave stays at a cool 40°F all year so make sure to bring appropriate clothing for your tour. (Pictured above)

**PARIS ICE CAVE** Another stunning must-see cave on your geological tour is *Paris Ice Cave*. Just 10 miles west of Paris, Southeast Idaho. As water runs down into

the cave from surrounding hills, ice is July is one of the best times to visit as water dries up and make your visit through the ice much

NITER ICE CAVE The cave was ormed from lava flowing out of a vent thousands of years ago. Early icicles are often found hanging from the ceiling. It is located just south of Grace and has 1,200+ feet of tunnel to explore and

**BLACK CANYON** The canyon is just one mile west of Grace and portrays magnificent 100-ft high black lava cliffs. The Bear of the gorge. Visitors come from all over to see the stunn black rock pass and rolling rapids. The rapids are famous for being some of the most challenging in the entire country. (Pictured at bottom)

CHINA HAT Located near Soda Springs, this rhyolite dome or rift volcano is an exploratory wonderland for any geologi China Hat was formed around older volcano lava flows that stretch west to Grace McCammon, Inkom and Pocatello. There are many faults located in the area as well as "grabens" – German for "grave." Grabens are depressions on the earth's surface formed when blocks of crust drop down.

FORMATION SPRINGS Less than visitors close to both geological formations and wildlife. (Pictured right)

**RED ROCK PASS** A remnant of Pleistocene Lake Bonneville, the pass cuts through Paleozoic shale, limestone, and dolomite which created a narrow gap two miles in length. Immediately downstream from Red Rock Pass is Marsh Creek Valley where the flood

to the Snake River are a resul

of this flood. (Pictured right)

BANNOCK COUNTY HISTORICAL COMPLEX AND FORT HALL REPLICA Avenue of the Chiefs, Pocatello ID (208) 233-0434 Exhibits illustrate

century explorers, trappers, fur traders, Native Americans, pioneers, gold seekers, and h toric figures. Adjacent to Zoo Idaho. BINGHAM COUNTY

190 N. Shilling Ave., Blackfoot ID (208) 785-8065 Resembles a southern plantation home and houses an historic collection of classic dolls and Native American artifacts. Tours available. **BUTCH CASSIDY MUSEUM** 833 Washington St., Montpelier, ID The last standing bank in the world actually robbed by the infamous outlaw Butch Cassidy in 1896.

CARIBOU COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM
100 E. Hooper Ave., Soda Springs, ID (208) 221-3181,
(208) 604-0524 or (208) 317-5148 Housed in the historic building that was originally a branch of the Zion's Cooperative Mercantile Institution (ZCMI) in the late 1800's and later other retail entities including Stoor's Grocery. Open Saturdays 10am to 4pm or call for a tour.

DAUGHTERS OF UTAH PIONEERS MUSEUM
Center Street, Soda Springs ID (208) 547-3706 The Daughters of the
Utah Pioneers built this museum in 1983. It features antiques, photographs, and books depicting local history.

FRANKLIN IDAHO RELIC HALL Main Street, Franklin ID (208) 646-2290 Houses relics brought or acquired by pioneer

IDAHO MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY 698 E Dillon St, Pocatello ID (208) 282-3317 Discovering Idaho, one story at a time. Kid's Discovery Room! **IDAHO POTATO MUSEUM** 130 NW Main St., Blackfoot, ID (208) 785-2517 Not only can you take a

great selfie with a giant potato, you can find out just what it takes to make those yummy French fries and chips! Visitors receive free Taters for Out-of-Staters and pins for children. Gift shop, café, RV parking, park for picnic. Trolley rides around Blackfoot's historic

MASSACRE ROCKS STATE PARK
3592 Park Lane, American Falls, ID (208) 548-2672 Historic Area operated by the State of Idaho. The park has stories to tell which date back to times best described in geologic terms.

MUSEUM OF CLEAN 711 S. 2nd Ave., Pocatello, ID (208) 236-6906 Come interested, Leave inspired. Walk into an awesome 75,000 sq ft complex of excitement, education and inspiration for the whole family. Open

THE NATIONAL OREGON/CALIFORNIA TRAIL CENTER
320 N. 4th Street, Montpelier, ID 866-847-3800 In Bear Lake Valley
on the historic site of the original Oregon Trail. Built to preserve, perpetuate and promote pioneer history and heritage of the Oregon/California Trail and the Bear Lake Valley. The Rails and Trails

> ONEIDA PIONEER MUSEUM ing and safe are in good condition and interesting features.

in 2007 and features exhibits detailing the history of Power County including the historic

PARIS HISTORICAL MUSEUM 345 Main Street, Paris, ID (208) 945-2212 Displays local history artifacts and located directly across the street from the LDS Tabernacle in Paris, Idaho. Memorial Day-Labor Day.

SHOSHONE-BANNOCK TRIBAL MUSEUM
Exit 80 off I-15, Fort Hall, ID 800-806-9229 With old photographs, displays and exhibits you learn how the Shoshone-Bannock people lived and settled the area around eastern Idaho, told from their point of view. Open Mon-Fri. Closed Federal & Tribal Holdays. Free admission for the provided of the control of the control

SOUTH BANNOCK COUNTY HISTORICAL CENTER
110 E. Main St., Lava Hot Springs, ID (208) 776-5254 Permanent and
rotating exhibits about Lava Hot Springs area history as well as Arimo,
Inkom, Downey, McCammon, Virginia and Swan Lake.

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