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## Quotes

“Thank you so much for all that you do for our children and community!” – Josephine

“We are loving the new kids channel!!” – Chelsea



*November 30 - December 2*

Tune in for a weekend filled with music, history, the arts, and scenic outdoor adventure.



Coming in January, *Idaho in Session* will provide gavel-to-gavel coverage of the House, the Senate, and committee meetings. Watch House Live on the Learn/Create Channel (subchannel .3), Senate Live on the World Channel (subchannel .4), and Streaming Live online at: [idahoptv.org/Insession](http://idahoptv.org/Insession).

## In the Community

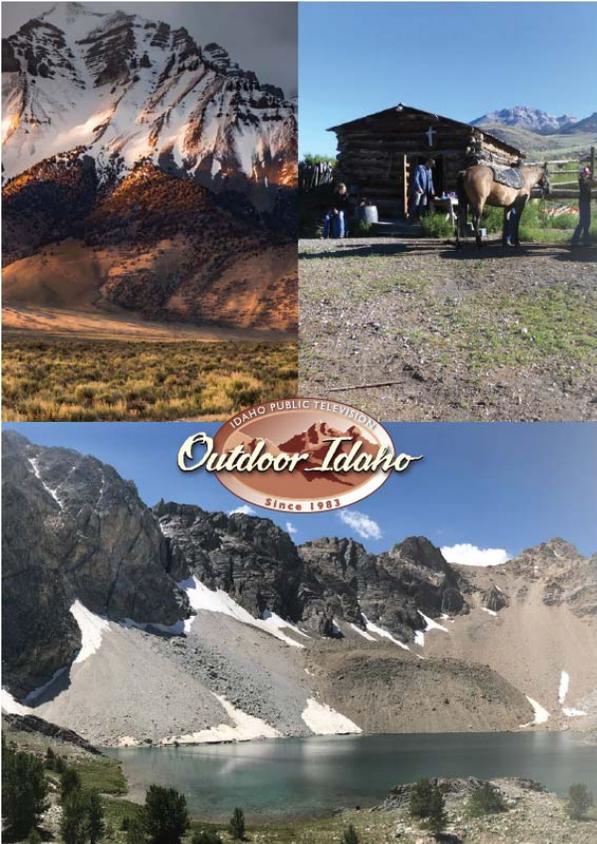
### Early Learning Educational Events Open to the Public



IdahoPTV's early learning educational events are free and open to the public. Our education team presents story times, demonstrates literacy or STEM activities, and distributes take-home activities.

- 12/11 Madison Public Library, Rexburg, PreK story time and STEM activity at 10:30 a.m.
- 12/12 Madison Public Library, Rexburg, PreK story time and STEM activity at 10:30 a.m.
- 12/12 American Falls Public Library, Kids Club, STEM activity at 1:30 p.m.

# Our IdahoPTV Productions



## “Land of the Lost River Range”

—Airs Sunday, December 2, at 7 p.m.

They may be Idaho’s tallest mountains, but many would be hard pressed to find the Lost River Range on a map.

“To most of us these mountains have remained in the shadows, still growing by fits and starts, as evidenced by the 1983 earthquake. In other words, perfect for *Outdoor Idaho*,” says host and writer/producer Bruce Reichert.

The crew explores the unique formations of the province geologists call Basin and Range, and meets the hardy individuals who live alongside these 12,000-foot peaks.

“There are other mountains, but not like these, not in my mind,” says Mackay rancher and native Kevin Donahue. “They’re so majestic. They draw you home.”

This also has become a place to test oneself. The crew profiles endurance runner Kelly Lance, who climbed all nine of the state’s 12ers in record time.

In Mackay and Challis the struggle is to succeed in a fast-paced world without losing what so many appreciate. “As a local, I don’t want a stoplight. I don’t want it to change too much, because that’s what gives us our uniqueness,” says Challis rancher Kathy Piva.



## “Pioneers of the Air: Idaho and the Birth of Commercial Aviation”

—Airs Sunday, December 2, at 8:30 p.m.

The country’s first commercial airmail delivery took flight in 1926 — from a newly created airport where Boise State University stands today. That commercial airmail company was created by Walter Varney and based in Boise. It would become part of United Airlines, a global passenger airline.

Not long after that first airmail flight, hundreds of landing strips were created across the state, making even the most remote wilderness areas accessible to the masses from the air.

There was also a need to create a system of arrows and beacons to help early pilots get where they needed to go. Only a few of those arrows and beacons still exist in Idaho, and some aviation enthusiasts are racing to preserve those bits of history.



## **“Kingdoms of Life”**

This month *Science Trek* explores kingdoms of life, the classification system used by scientists to group and name all living species. Scientists Kevin Feris, a professor of microbial ecology at Boise State University, and Sophie Gilbert, a wildlife biologist and professor at the University of Idaho, will provide information.

Each month, *Science Trek* explores a subject with digital shorts available on the *Science Trek* website, on Facebook and YouTube; and on PBS Learning Media, a free media site for educators.

The *Science Trek* website has facts, links, lesson plans, games, and other educational support material correlated to Idaho and national science standards.

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