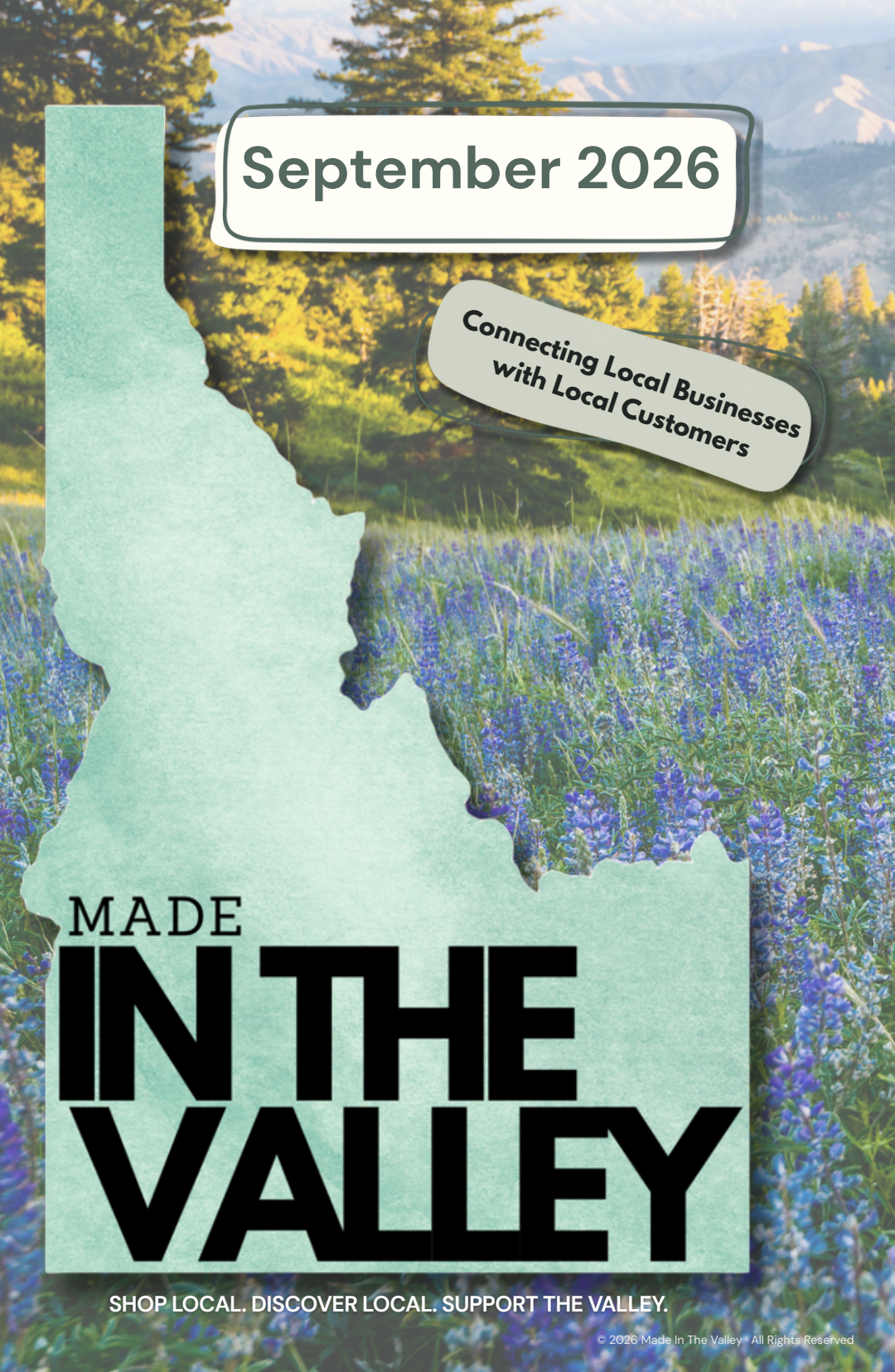




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Whether it's an everyday interaction, or a crisis, the trust we build and the respect we show one another, matters. Getting to know and supporting the men and women who serve alongside us, protect us, and sacrifice for us goes beyond knowing the job they do. Making these connections can strengthen our community as a whole, and when we are strong, we are better equipped to get through the hard moments. You don't have to wait for formal events or large-scale introductions. Most of the time, it's as simple as striking up a conversation. Every opportunity taken to connect can make a lasting difference. I personally know how significant connections such as these are, which is why adding Meet The First On Scene to Made In The Valley was so important to me.

From having family members who were first responders to my own recent struggle with mental health, I've experienced firsthand how much simple conversation can matter— It was the kindness and patience of the sergeant who found me and the deputies who responded to the scene that I remember most; what may have seemed small to them, or just another part of the job, was the only good I experienced that night and the days after. I wasn't very talkative, but still, they took the time to talk to me. They took the time to meet me on a human level, not just a professional one. Not long after, one of the deputies gave me his card and when I finally worked up the nerve to call, he took the time to meet and talk with me again. Those conversations helped me start to see that, perhaps, there was a path forward even while I struggled to find one. I will never be able to fully express how grateful I am to them all.

So all this is to say, when you can, take the time to meet some of the people who keep our community safe. Police, Fire, EMS— get to know them a little better beyond what you know about the uniform they wear. Meet The First On Scene is an easy place to start.

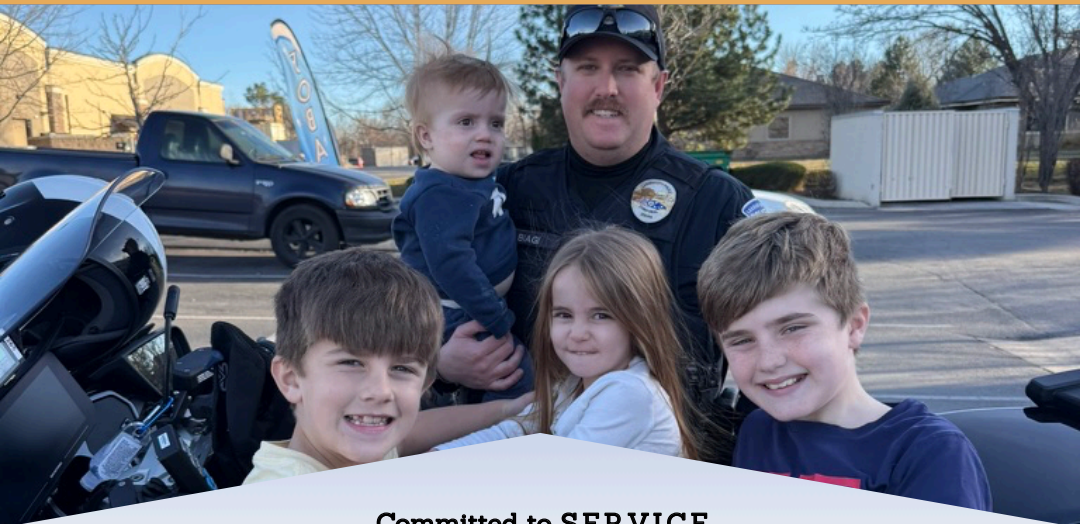


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Garden City Police Department

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1. What made you decide on a career in law enforcement/first response?

In High School, I was looking for a career in public safety. I attended some classes and got a little exposure to Fire, Paramedics, and Police. When I was 18, I did a ride along with the Newport Beach Police Department and had a blast. That was when I decided to pursue a career in law enforcement.

I was hired by the Los Angeles Police Department in 2012 then transferred to the Newport Beach Police Department in 2014, then moved to Idaho and joined the Garden City Police Department in 2021.

2. What did you do before you joined?

Before I became a Police Officer, I was an ice hockey referee and also worked at Disneyland for a few months in parking.

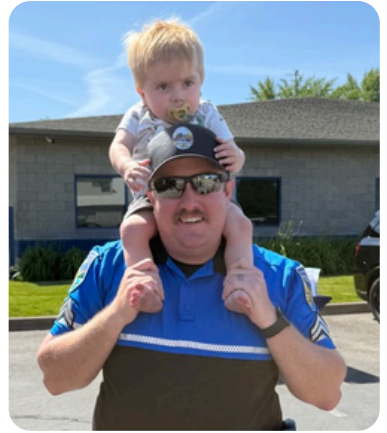
3. How long have you lived or worked in the area, and what makes this community special to serve?

I am originally from California and moved to Idaho in 2021. I decided to move to Idaho because of the values Idaho holds and the fact it's a great place to raise a family. Idaho is a safe community and that is important to me. I decided to work for Garden City PD because I liked the culture of the department, and loved the city. We are a unique city being so small, but surrounded by Boise, so we have times where we are busy.



4. What do you like most about the area you patrol or work in?

I really enjoy the support our citizens give us. We really strive to serve the citizens on every call we go to, and they show us support in return. We are blessed to be in the position we are in. My full-time position within the department is on our traffic team as a motorcycle officer. I get to ride a motorcycle most days and meet lots of different people. I also investigate serious and fatal traffic collisions. I enjoy recreating serious car crashes and piecing the puzzle together to explain what happened in a crash.



5. What's one thing you wish everyone in the community knew?

Many people think traffic officers are just revenue generators, but this is far from the case. Our primary function enforcing traffic laws is to prevent future collisions from occurring. We often utilize an education first, enforcement second mindset when we decide whether or not to issue a citation. Many people we stop get breaks, or no citation at all!

6. Do you have a favorite or funny memory from working this job?

I don't have one specific memory that comes to mind but my favorite memories over the course of my career are the people I've worked with. Law enforcement has some great highs but also some lows. I've been blessed to work with some incredible people, and each day and each call we grow in that bond. There are some great relationships I've developed over the past 14 years.



7. What's an off-duty hobby you enjoy?

I really enjoy spending time with my family at the pool or a park, and playing sports with my kids.

8. What's a fun fact about you?

My favorite food is seafood.

9. Is there anything else you'd like to include?

I'm grateful for the support of our community and thanks for including me in this.



Places to See... Places to be...

Eagle Island State Park: From Prison Farm to Park



PHOTO: Idaho Parks and Recreation

Just west of Boise, Eagle Island State Park spans 545 acres between two channels of the Boise River, offering trails, fishing, swimming, picnicking, horseback riding and plenty of outdoor recreation. But the park's story began in 1929, when the State purchased the property for use as a prison honor farm, where inmates raised livestock and grew crops until the farm closed in 1977.

In 1983, Eagle Island was officially dedicated as a state park, transforming the former agricultural and prison farm into one of the Treasure Valley's favorite recreation destinations.

Today, surrounded by a growing community, Eagle Island continues to blend Idaho's agricultural past with the outdoor lifestyle enjoyed by visitors year-round.

Three Island Crossing: Where Idaho's Oregon Trail Story Comes Alive

Just east of Mountain Home near Glenns Ferry, Three Island Crossing State Park preserves an important chapter of Idaho's Oregon Trail history along the Snake River.

More than 175 years ago, emigrants faced the dangerous choice of crossing the river here or taking the longer route around it in their journey west.

Today, visitors can see historic wagon ruts, explore interpretive trails and learn more at the Oregon Trail History and Education Center. The park offers a glimpse into the challenges, determination and changing landscape experienced by the pioneers who traveled through Idaho on their way west.



PHOTO: Idaho Parks and Recreation

Old Mission State Park: A Window Into Idaho's Early History



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Tucked into the mountains of North Idaho near Wallace, Old Mission State Park preserves the Cataldo Mission, recognized as Idaho's oldest standing building.

Built between 1850 and 1853 by members of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and Jesuit missionaries, the mission reflects remarkable craftsmanship, cooperation and perseverance.

Today, visitors can tour the historic church, explore the grounds and learn about the people and cultures that shaped the region through exhibits such as Sacred Encounters. More than a historic landmark,

Old Mission offers a chance to slow down and experience a meaningful piece of Idaho's early history.



Terry and Company Estate & Downsizing Sales

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For more than 20 years, Terry and Company Estate and Downsizing Sales has been helping Idaho families navigate life's transitions while giving special treasures a chance to find new homes.

Terry's journey began with a love of vintage items and selling at fairs. After gaining valuable experience working for an estate sale company, she decided to start a business of her own by combining her knowledge of antiques and collectibles with something equally important: genuine care for people.

Today, Terry and Company offers estate sales, downsizing sales, barn sales, and vintage collection sales.

At the heart of the business is a team that describes itself as a “caring and wonderful group of people who love the business.”

That spirit of compassion extends to their clients, customers, and each other. Through the years, they've learned that patience is one of the most important parts of the job.

That patience and kindness are qualities the team especially admires in Terry, and they have become part of what makes the company unique.

For Terry and her team, it's not just about the things being sold—it's about the people they meet along the way.

And when asked what they love about Idaho, their answer says it all:

**“Idaho is real and beautiful.
We have a love for people.”**

With another sale coming up in September, Terry and Company continues to bring people together through unique finds while helping families navigate the next chapter.

Whether you're downsizing, settling an estate, or simply searching for your next vintage treasure, Terry and Company is there to help.

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- 5** SHARE THE ADDRESS POST





I Bet... You Didn't Know This About Idaho!

THE IDAHO TEENAGER WHO HELPED INVENT TELEVISION

Before television changed the way the world watched, a teenager in Idaho was imagining how pictures could be sent through the air.

His name was Philo T. Farnsworth, and his Idaho story began when his family moved to the Rigby area in 1919.

While attending Rigby High School, Farnsworth became fascinated with electronics. In 1922, he developed and sketched his first ideas for electronically transmitting images while a student in Rigby.

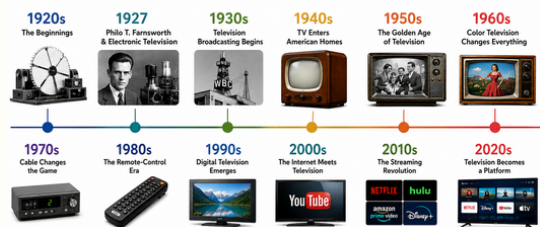


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His concept was revolutionary: instead of using mechanical methods to create a television picture, an image could be broken into lines, transmitted electronically, and then reconstructed on a screen.

Farnsworth went on to develop his ideas outside Idaho, eventually creating the first workable purely electronic television system. He received a patent for his television system in 1930.

THE TELEVISION REVOLUTION



The Idaho State Historical Society identifies Farnsworth as the inventor of the purely electronic television system, and a statue honoring him as the “Father of Television” stands in the U.S. Capitol.

So the next time you turn on a television, remember that one of the young minds who helped make it possible spent his teenage years right here in Idaho.

One Idaho teenager. One extraordinary idea. A technology that changed the world.

And you thought Idaho only gave us potatoes!

Sources: Idaho State Historical Society; Idaho Blue Book; U.S. Census Bureau. Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of American History; PBS American Experience, Big Dream Small Screen: TV Milestones; Indiana Historical Bureau, Philo T. Farnsworth: The Father of Television.

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What started with childhood memories in Grandma's kitchen has grown into a sweet little business bringing decorated cookies and special treats to celebrations throughout the Treasure Valley.

The Cookie Square LLC began as a home bakery in 2020, with the business officially taking shape in 2024. Owner Saedee DeanCowdrey knew from the beginning that she wanted to share her baking at local markets, setting up shop under a 10x10 canopy—a "square"—which is how The Cookie Square got its name.



ALL PHOTOS: <https://www.facebook.com/thecookiesquare/photos>

The inspiration for The Cookie Square goes back even further. Saedee's grandmother taught her how to bake when she was young, and the kitchen was always especially busy during the Christmas season.

Her grandmother and great-grandmother also participated in many farmers markets, planting the seed for Saedee to eventually continue that tradition in her own way.

As she spent the first couple of years participating in markets around the Treasure Valley, Saedee discovered where her passion truly belonged. Rather than focusing on cakes and pastries, she found herself drawn to cookies and treats.

Today, decorated sugar cookies are at the heart of the business. Saedee especially enjoys creating custom cookie sets for special events, where colorful designs can add an extra-special touch to a celebration.



"I love being a part of something that brings a smile to another person's face," she shares.

Decorated sugar cookies are also The Cookie Square's most popular item overall. For something a little different, Saedee's Lemon Poppy Seed assorted cookies are a favorite in their category—and a personal favorite of hers, too. "It's my favorite cookie to eat along with my coffee. Yum!" Although, our vote is for the crispy marshmallow treats (the butterscotch is the best!).

Made with creativity, a little sweetness, and a whole lot of heart.

Running a small business has also taught Saedee an important lesson about the community around her. Over the past year, she has discovered just how much love and support exists among small businesses in the area.

She has also learned that sometimes, less really is more. When she first started selling at markets, she found herself carrying too much inventory and offering too many choices, which meant more displays to set up and more time spent managing everything. Simplifying her selection and keeping things small has helped improve both sales and time management.

That spirit of keeping things manageable while continuing to grow is carrying The Cookie Square into its next chapter.

Saedee is currently working toward offering online sugar cookie decorating classes as well as royal icing-specific classes, with a goal of having them completed by June 2027. She's still working out the video side of the project, but customers can keep an eye on her Facebook page for updates if the classes become available sooner.



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It all started with a very specific mission: helping a local aquaculture farm, Little Valley Aquaculture, in southern Idaho, cut down on the cost of feeding their tilapia.



"Obsidian is a volcanic glass known for transformation, resilience, and new beginnings."

Working closely with black soldier fly larvae changed everything.

Recognizing their incredible potential, the founder, Devon Johnson, asked to take the project over. What began as a sustainable fix for fish food evolved into a full-fledged local business—supplying live and dried larvae to reptile shops, feed stores, and backyard chicken keepers across Idaho—all while still keeping Little Valley Aquaculture's fish well-fed.

The name comes straight from the bugs themselves, whose iridescent wings shine with black, blue, and purple tones.

"Obsidian is a volcanic glass known for transformation, resilience, and new beginnings. Qualities that reflect both the insect and my journey as a new business owner."

While customers love stocking up on protein-packed treats for chickens, fish, and reptiles, Devon's favorite part of the job is a bit more earthy.

"I'm raising bugs on purpose! 🪰"

"To be honest... it's the Frass (their poop!) It has amazing potential and I love that nothing goes to waste, from converting food waste into protein to creating a valuable product for gardens. I'm currently testing on an alfalfa field to see the difference between cow manure and fly frass and currently anxiously waiting on results."



It is a zero-waste loop: turning food waste into high-protein feed and using the insect byproduct to enrich local soil. Or, as Devon cheerfully puts it:

"I'm raising bugs on purpose! 🪰"

"What I love most about having my business in Idaho is the incredible local support. Growing up in a military family, I lived in many different states, but Idaho is the first place I experienced with such a strong culture of supporting local businesses and Idaho-made products."

Get Connected:

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browse their items on **eBay**
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"I'm proof that if you have a dream and set your mind to it, you can make it happen. Don't be afraid to start small. To be honest, I'm still standing on the ledge getting ready to make my next leap. Time sure is a thief, so don't wait for the perfect moment... just start."

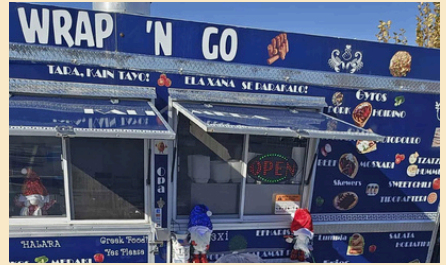


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Nick Cranford - The Word Search King

Wait... That's Art!

Art isn't always found in a gallery, it's in the creativity of everyday work, celebrating the artistry found almost anywhere.

Tell us the story behind why you started creating these word searches?

It all started with my Great Nan. After her husband, my Great Pop had passed, I took on a more active role in making sure she was looked after emotionally. I took her out on numerous dinner dates, brought her in to spend time with our family especially during holidays and other occasions and just simply being someone she could count on.

One thing I noticed was she would always be doing word searches. I was familiar with them but it never really dawned on me. She would always have stacks upon stacks of them by her bed and her rocking chair. She would even be doing them while she was in the hospital waiting on her cancer treatments.

It was after she passed that an idea struck in my head. What if I made a word search book about the places we're from? Community and family are values I live by so the goal with these word searches I've made is to help bring us together a little bit more through a deeper appreciation of where we live and where we are from.

So I got to work and created the Word Search of Idaho. I've since created word searches for all of Canada and its provinces and I'm well on my way to having all 50 US States completed.

They've taken off like gangbusters and the reason I think is because of a multitude of things: they've always been popular, people will always be proud of the places they're from so they want to get everything they possibly can that represents their home, they're like an interactive journey of sorts through the places we call home, and also because people more and more want affordable activities outside of screens and the digital world.

If these word searches help make Idahoans a little bit prouder of where they're from while having fun, then I've done my part.

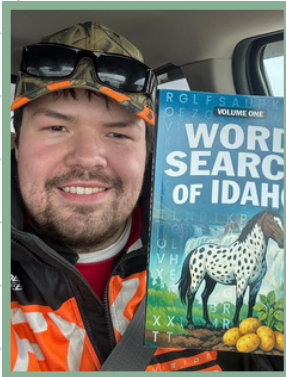


What's next for you?

Complete word searches for all 50 US States. I'm up to 40 so far and perhaps expand into cities. I've also done a Word Search of Las Vegas. I also want to expand and get my US Word Searches into stores big and small across Idaho and America. I know without a doubt they will be a great addition to their offerings.

Where can people find you/your work?

My Word Search of Idaho is currently available on Amazon for those who want it. You can find me on my Facebook Page Nick's Word Searches and I'm also in the process of getting my website up and running called nickwordsearches.com



TheWordSearchKing
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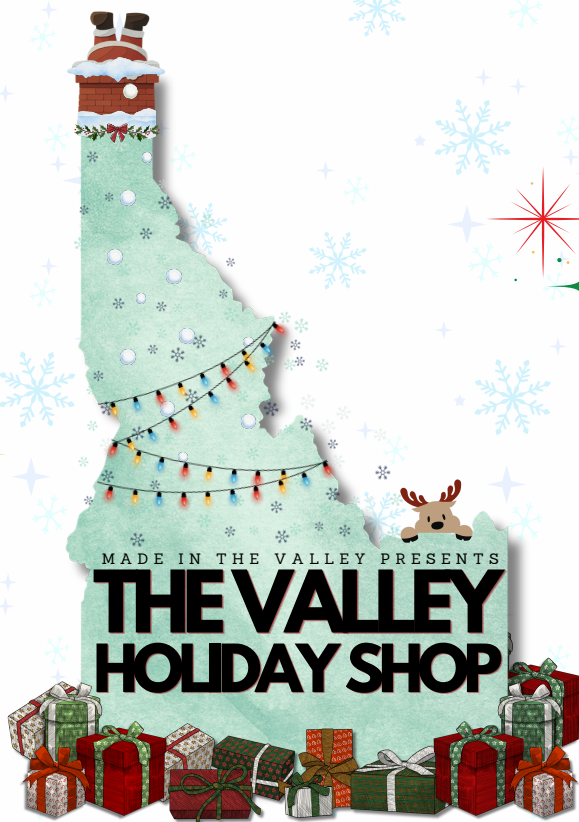
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Designs by Dogs

It all started with a simple question: what on earth do you do when your dogs start painting?

Elise Dix, owner of Designs by Dogs, says she puzzled over how to turn her pups' artwork into merchandise.

"It took me 3 years to figure out how to make that work without overdosing my dogs on peanut butter!"

"After my dogs did their paintings, I was trying to figure out what to do with them.

I suddenly thought about how cool it would be for them to do designs on items"

When print-on-demand and direct-to-film printing finally caught up to her vision in March 2026, everything clicked.

The name is completely literal: every single design starts on a canvas painted by her very own dogs, who also moonlight as therapy animals at a local hospital.

While her canvas tote bags and brand-new night lights are flying off the shelves, she admits she has zero loyalty to just one item.

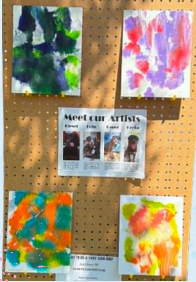
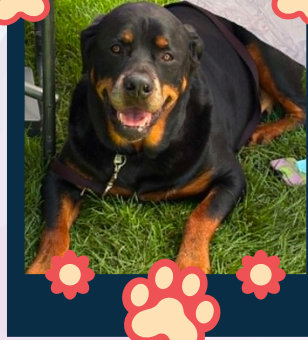
"I love making new products and coming up with new ideas. Every new product is my favorite. Have I mentioned I'm ADHD?"

Behind the fun, the shop holds deep personal meaning, particularly through Echo's painting – a cherished, tangible reminder of a very good dog. That heart and humor shape the company's ultimate mission: making people smile, one very good dog at a time.

For anyone else diving into business, her philosophy is wonderfully straightforward:

"Never take yourself too seriously. If you do, you will miss out on a lot of laughs."

Whether she's marveling at living in Idaho or bonding with strangers over dog stories, she's having the time of her life **"taking over the world—one paw print at a time."**

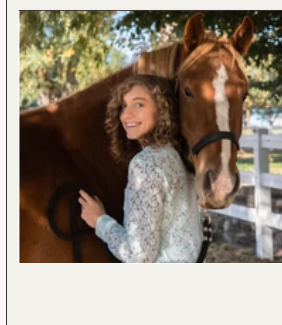
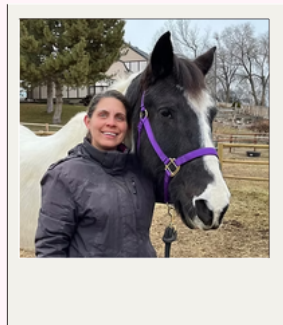


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BEHIND THE MISSION: GRACIE'S PLACE



If you've never heard about Gracie's Place, you're missing out on an incredible organization dedicated to protecting vulnerable equines while providing fun and educational opportunities for anyone who is willing to learn. Their passion, determination, and dedication to their mission is awe-inspiring. You can see it for yourself. Below is an excerpt from our Q&A with the team at Gracie's Place:



Q: How did Gracie's place get started/where did it get its name from?

Gracie's Place is named after our very first horse, "Gracie." She was a 14-year-old Tennessee Walking Horse we purchased in 2016 from a rescue organization in Marsing, Idaho. She was purchased with the intention of being our personal family horse, but with her history of years of neglect, she taught us more about rescue and rehabilitation than we ever anticipated. She was the inspiration for what eventually evolved into what it is now. When we began, we just happened to stumble across horses that weren't in good shape. With our experience from Gracie and her variety of health concerns when we purchased her...we naturally had a lot of expertise and compassion dealing with vulnerable horses and their situations. Purchasing Gracie, giving her high quality care, and providing the best care possible for her was such a rewarding experience. As we acquired several more horses, people found us through word of mouth and began to reach out to us about helping with their horses.

Q: What was your vision for Gracie's place when it started vs. now?



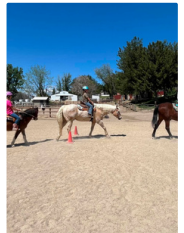
We always knew we wanted to help folks with horses they couldn't care for anymore, or couldn't care for properly. The details for what that looks like now might look a bit different as we've learned things. When we started, we would often see horses that needed help through social media or sale sites, and we would reach out about helping. The longer we've been doing this, the more people find us -

-and we are now approached about horses that need help as opposed to reaching out and initiating ourselves. These days, we have a wait list and we are approached by people in the community who need help, often due to life changes (moving, health, finances, death, divorce, etc). Most of the time, our spots are strictly saved for these situations. Horse owners seek us out to help their horses. As we do not rehome horses, this provides them assurance that they will not only receive proper care, but that our place will also be their final stop until it's their time to cross the rainbow bridge.

There has always been an educational component to what we do, which has progressed as we have had more experiences as well. We want to provide a safe haven for horses and people, and teach people willing and wanting to learn about horsemanship and horse care. Of course horses and horse activities are fun, and they help provide the necessary funding to help the horses we are able to, but in addition to that, we realized that educating the next generation of horse owners and handlers will help horses' care and well-being long-term. We want our compassion and care to affect the next generation and hopefully inspire some to continue doing what we do. The longer we have done what we do, the more we have also realized the importance of the activities we offer for the horses. It's enrichment for the horses as much as for the people! The horses love having the interaction as much as the people do. We aim to teach people that when you are kind, clear, and fair to the horses, they reward you with their patience and enthusiasm in your interactions with them!...

Q: What keeps you going when the work/rescuing feels difficult/hard/exhausting?

We are relied on by the many horses we have agreed to care for until the end of their lives. It's easy to feel discouraged when you can't help every horse, or when people aren't as supportive as we'd hoped. At the end of the day, no matter what people say, no matter what we lose, and no matter how hard we work, we have horses that rely on us to care to them every day. They don't take a break from eating on the holidays. They don't pick and choose when to get sick. They don't decide that they need medications to survive. They aren't in control of these things, but we absolutely have control when it comes to helping and supporting them. At the end of the day, they rely on us no matter what happens, and the love that they give back to us keeps us going. It's the transformations that you see when you spend every day with them. It's the difference we are able to make in horses physically, emotionally, and mentally. It's the frisky trots and canters after months to years of joint pain. It's the tasty meals and full bellies after years of malnutrition. It's the shiny coat and healthy skin from getting rid of parasites. It's the nickers you begin hearing at feeding time after years of silence. It's the bonds we create when brushing them, treating their conditions, riding them, and trusting that we will take care of each other. It's the softness in their eyes that says "thank you." They don't get to choose their-



-situations, but they come to rely on us for their well-being. Ultimately, the empathy and compassion for something so powerful, but so vulnerable, is what encourages us to keep going.

Q: What do you wish people understood about rescues/rescued horses that they might not realize?

Rescue horses are not necessarily old, wild, handicapped, or crippled. It's a big misconception! Horses in need of assistance come in all sorts of shapes and sizes, in a huge variety of conditions. Some of them are in surprisingly great shape with few issues and some of them don't ever recover unfortunately. There is no one example that shows every rescue. They're all very different!

Q: What are some of the programs that Gracie's place offers?

Some of the programs we offer are to educate the community, some of them are for enrichment, and some of them are to provide funding for the horses! We offer group and private lessons, homeschool classes, summer camps, photoshoots, field trips, birthday parties, competition camps for established students, nursing home visits, and meet and greets with the horses.



Q: What are some ways people can help support Gracie's place?

We have lots of available opportunities for folks wanting to support Gracie's Place. A few ideas would be making donations, shopping our Amazon or chewy wishlist, sponsoring a horse or a student's riding classes or camps, following our social media (Facebook and YouTube), interacting with our posts through shares, likes, and comments, or volunteering your time, equipment, or expertise to help maintain our property and facilities. We also have a fundraising event that we would love to meet new people at! It is our 5th Annual Barn Social Fundraiser on October 9th at 5pm. If people want to donate items or services to the silent auction, share our event on Facebook, or come meet us at the event, those are all great ways to support what we do.

If people realized how much we need their support, we would be able to accomplish so

much more! Even though we work hard and we try to do a lot for people and horses in our community, we are only 2 people and we desperately need the public's support. When our activities slow down due to winter weather, we are strapped for funds and resources. The horses' needs remain despite the lack of funds. Every stack of hay is \$1,000. Every horse's trim is \$60 (every 6-8 weeks), every pair of shoes-



-is \$110 (every 6-8 weeks). Our Prascend for residents with Cushing's disease is over \$500 every month! This just scratches the surface of recurring expenses. Without support from our community, our efforts would never be enough to support all of the creatures who need us. Your support, in every way, absolutely makes a huge difference and is necessary to our future! The horses depend on it!

Q: What's one thing you want people to remember about Gracie's Place?

We want people to remember us as caring, compassionate, and honest. We provide excellent care to the horses entrusted to us. We provide exceptional educational opportunities for anyone looking to learn. We want people to know how much we care and the quality we strive to provide in every endeavor we take on.



This was only part of the Q&A we had with the team at Gracie's Place. To read more about what they do and the stories, horses, and lessons they remember, read the full Q&A on our website MadeInTheValleyIdaho.com and be sure to check out, visit, and support Gracie's Place!



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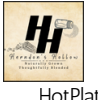
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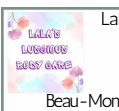
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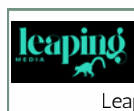
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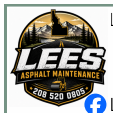
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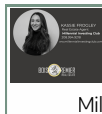
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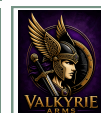
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