



Hi all,

Hope everyone has had a chance to go to the BCHA crowdsourcing webpage and see the BCH donations grow. Thanks to our own Robbin Schindele as well as all the other BCH participants in getting our name and mission out to the public. Let's hope BCHA makes their goal and more!

Rain one day and sun the next...just springtime in Idaho. The flocks of Sandhill Cranes give me inspiration with their energetic calls to come to the yard for cleanup and planting. It's still a bit early for tomatoes but images of pots of colorful flowers are dancing in my head. May will be a busy month for our chapter so be sure to come to the meeting to hear all the details about the 4-H Pack Clinic, road cleanup, Owyhee fencing removal planning, yard sale and more!

Spring is a great time to check those trailers for the travel months ahead. Sure don't want to lose good horses due to rotted floorboards, bald tires, old wiring, non-working lights, insufficient reflectors or worn brakes. With the yard sale coming up, it's also a good time to check all your tack to see if any of those older, worn items taking up space in your tack room could be moved on to someone who sees a treasure in the making. Remember to dig out other items as well but please keep any electronics at home. They don't sell and we have no way to dispose of them. Ellen Knapp is the organizer but will need everyone's help to make it a success. Marybeth Conger is in charge of the food. Can't have an event without something to eat!

The 4-H Pack Clinic is approaching FAST! Lots to do and only one day after the meeting to get all the final details worked out. We need to be sure to make this a success for the kids as they are our future. Phil Ryan has been working with Gail Duke on how many will attend. Looks like around 20 kids plus some parents. Dr. Steven Hardy will hold a morning session that will probably be of interest to all of us. Devon Mills is the chair for the road cleanup and the more trash pickers we can get, the easier the job. Come prepared for all types of weather...rain, wind, heat, sleet, snow, you name it...we've had it all.

The Horse Expo is over and we'll get an update and heard the trail ride at Wilson Creek was good in spite of one kind of scary section. We'll have reports and more at the meeting so see you there!

Kay Ryan, President