Next Meeting
September 20, 2019
Fri. 11:30 a.m.

UIBW Lunch is $14

Smoked Roasted Pork Loin w/Huckleberry barbeque sauce
Served w/Roasted potatoes and seasonal vegetables
Carrot Cake for dessert

Lunch Cost: $14 (Please note this is an increase)

Please Welcome

UI Athletic Director,
Dr. Terry Gawlik
Today and Tomorrow:
Our UI Athletic Programs

Moscow ~ Dr. Terry Gawlik knows there will be a lot on her plate when she takes over as the University of Idaho’s athletic director on Sept. 1.

Hiring a new men’s basketball coach, building a new basketball arena and dealing with the fallout of the football program dropping from the FBS to FCS classifications are all issues facing the incoming head of Vandals athletics, the first woman to ever hold the post.

Gawlik was unanimously approved as the school’s athletic director on Wednesday by the Idaho State Board of Education and introduced at a press conference at the University of Idaho’s Boise campus shortly after. She receives a five-year contract, with a base pay of $200,000 per year. She has spent the previous 25 years at the University of Wisconsin, including the previous 14 as the senior woman administrator and was also the senior associate athletic director for sports administration.

Gawlik has also served as chair for the NCAA Division I Women’s Basketball Committee, the Division I Volleyball Committee and the Division I Men’s Soccer Committee. She also was heavily involved with Title IX compliance at Wisconsin, overseeing the implementation with policies involving gender equality, diversity and sexual assault and violence training.

Idaho President C. Scott Green said that Gawlik’s Title IX experience was a big selling point and a major factor as the search committee evaluated the 59 applicants he got for the position.

This is an experience she says she excited for, in a location where she says she and her husband, Dan,
want to be. Her in-laws live in Bend, Oregon, and Gawlik said both her and Dan enjoy fly fishing, so they were ready to jump at the opportunity to move west after a quarter century in Wisconsin. Her contract with Idaho runs through July 31, 2024, but Gawlik says she hopes her stay in Idaho will last longer than that.

“This is where my husband and I want to be,” Gawlik said. “We plan on being here as long as we can make a difference and move things forward. We want to live in or around Moscow and we want to fly fish whenever we get the opportunity.”

**Latah AARP Continues Food Drive**

Many Seniors on the Palouse live without sufficient food & nutrition. Our Moscow and other Palouse area Food Banks do what they can to assist those who need help. Please help with Our Latah AARP September Food Drive. Prepackaged or canned foods are particularly needed. In addition, there is a need for personal hygiene items – these range from toothbrushes & toothpaste to shampoo, deodorant, bar soap, toilet paper, etc. **If you can bring items September 20, it will be appreciated.** If you choose not to bring items, you may make a cash donation in the basket provided. We hope you will assist in this project. With winter coming all too soon, the need will only increase. Thank you for your assistance with this effort. This month’s donations will go to the Moscow Food Bank.

**Latah AARP Meeting Raffle**

Each attendee at our Latah AARP meeting is issued a raffle ticket. There are usually three (sometimes more) raffle items – first winner has their choice, second winner has their choice. The drawing is normally held at the close of our meeting. We hope you will attend our September 20 meeting and ‘take your chance’. See you there?

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**Mark Your Autumn**

**Prepare for Northern Lights**

As the September equinox rolls by, the chances to see the *aurora borealis* display increases for those located at high Northern Hemisphere latitudes. According to NASA, the equinoxes are prime time for Northern Lights – geomagnetic activities are twice more likely to take place in the spring and fall time, than in the summer or winter.

**Did You Know …**

Our Social Security Deposits are Held By the Social Security Administration and ‘invested’ in US Treasury Bills. At present, We (seniors) ‘hold’ approximately $3 TRILLION of the $21 Trillion national debt. That makes ‘you & me’ one of the largest holders of our National Debt. President Trump wants the Fed (Federal Reserve Bank) to ‘reduce’ the interest rate on those T-Bills by One Per Cent. Doesn’t sound like much, Does It? Except, IF you do the math, that One Per Cent will ‘cost’ seniors & other Social Security beneficiaries $30 BILLION dollars Each Year on our Three Trillion Dollar ‘investment’. The Fed rate is already the lowest it’s been in a long time – We do Not need to lower it further – especially Not at our cost.

**Did You Know …**

Housing safety and accessibility is a major issue for many seniors. Our AARP Foundation partners with *Habitat for Humanity* to provide services and assistance to low income Seniors for home maintenance and safety. Pilot projects are currently being implemented in three states. By 2030 (10 years) ONE in FIVE Americans (20%) will be 65 or older. In addition, the percentage of seniors who are low income will also increase. The need for this assistance and these services will continue to increase. This is one more example of the positive work our AARP Foundation is doing for Seniors.
Calendar Dates…

- Sept. 19, Thurs: SCAM Jam in Grangeville, contact Tom Trail
- Sept. 20, Fri, 11:30: Latah AARP Member Meeting at UIBW
- Sept. 21, Sat, 9-Noon: Friends of the Library Book Sale – Fairgrounds
- Oct. 18, Fri, 11:30: Member Meeting: City Council Candidate Forum
- Oct. 22, Tues, Gritman Aux Pink Tea, contact Janie Nirk
- Oct. 25, Fri, Smart Women, Smart Money, UI Pitman Center
- Nov, 7, Thurs, 10:00, Shari’s, Latah AARP Board Meeting
- Nov. 14, Thurs, 10:00, UIRA’s Meeting, UIBW
- Nov. 15, Fri, 7 p.m. Everybody Reads at 1912 Center Luis Alberto Urrea: The House of Broken Angels
- Dec. 13, Fri, 11:30: AARP Member Meeting, Music Program
- Jan. 17, Fri, 11:30: AARP Member Meeting, UIBW

President’s Notes:

Your Latah AARP Chapter Board met July 25. Treasurer Robert Carver will be moving to Boise and we need a replacement.

Board Member Judy Reisenauer needs a replacement as chair of our Calling Tree.

We have two more Board Slots to be filled. New Board Members were approved and added to the Board: Carol Bennett and June Vereeke. Anyone who is interested in any of these positions, please contact Pres. Louise Regelin.

Our next Board meeting is scheduled for November 7.

Idaho AARP is a sponsor of the October 25 Smart Women, Smart Money conference to be held at the UI Pitman Center on Friday, October 25. Idaho AARP CEO Lupe Wissel will be attending. We will need volunteers to staff the AARP Booth from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration is free and you may do so online. If you wish to volunteer, please contact Nancy Lyle.

Six members attended the Friendly Neighbors Senior Meal on Tuesday, August 6. Latah AARP sponsored the meal of Ham & Scalloped potatoes and were part of the program.

Tom Trail & Carol Bennett & Corrine Lyle attended the Moscow Chamber & Young Professionals Community Involvement Fair on August 8 at the 1912 Center. They were well received.

Tom Trail & Nancy Lyle will attend the UI Retirees Assoc. Annual meeting and represent Idaho AARP w/a display table. Anyone who wishes to attend and assist, please contact Tom or Nancy.

Tom Trail will be attending the Grangeville SCAM Jam on Sept. 19.

Since the need has Not decreased, it was decided to continue to hold our Food Drive at each meeting and encourage everyone to contribute as they can.

Please bring non-perishable food items or personal hygiene items.

We also voted to continue the raffle. All attendees will receive a raffle ticket and the drawing will be at the end of the meeting. President Louise will not be at the September 20 meeting, Vice President Rhonda Comstock will be presiding.

Did You Know …
Our October 18th Latah AARP Meeting will feature our Moscow City Council Candidate Forum. There are seven candidates for three positions this year. They are: Kelsey Berends, Steve Harmon, Sandra Kelly, Maureen Laflin, Brandon Mitchell, James Urquidez, and Anne Zabala (incumbent). These candidates represent a variety of backgrounds and experience, but you need to be informed. Jim Boland and Kathryn Bonzo, current members, chose not to run for reelection. Please plan now to attend this important meeting, and bring a friend or two.

**Latah County AARP Chapter #678**
*We officially have a Facebook Page!*

https://www.facebook.com/LatahCountyIdahoAARP678/

If you enjoy Facebook, please share our posts with your friends. We want to encourage new members to join.

Sharing our Facebook page will educate a whole new population of people nearing or over age 55 in the importance of *Local participation in AARP*.

I will make posts to our page about twice a week. Please let me know if there is something educational or beneficial for our readers. I’m glad to post those as approved by our President.

Rhonda Comstock

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**Latah County AARP Chapter**
*2019 Board of Directors*

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**Are YOU Interested in Serving Your Local AARP Chapter?**

Your Latah AARP Chapter is looking for people who are interested in serving on the Chapter Board or as Officers.

If you are interested in serving or wish to nominate someone, please contact President Louise at 208-882-2789 or by email at regelin@genesee-id.com

If you have newsletter information you feel our local AARP Chapter members would be interested in, please email it to Rhonda Comstock at comstock@moscow.com