

THE BEAR RIVER HERITAGE AREA NEWSLETTER

Photo: Chinese Arch in the Golden Spike National Historical Park

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Weeding at Wuda Ogwa

BY EMMA GEORGE

For several Fridays this summer, the Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation is asking for volunteers to come and help remove invasive plant species from the Bear River Massacre Site outside of Preston, Idaho.

Photo: Volunteer weeding at Wuda Ogwa



These weeding events are a part of the continuing effort by the tribe to restore the site as a gathering place; they hope to eventually build a cultural interpretation center, an amphitheater, and walking trails. If you are unable to attend this summer, you can sponsor a tree or participate in future events. For more information, visit <https://www.nwbshoshone.com/>

Upcoming Events

Wuda Ogwa Weeding

AUGUST 1, 2025
8:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.
AT THE BEAR RIVER
MASSACRE SITE

Silversmithing Workshop

AUGUST 30-SEPTEMBER 1,
2025
9:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.
AT EVANSTON, WY, COWBOY
DAYS

Have a photo or event
to submit?

SEND IT TO EMMA GEORGE
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Board Member Spotlight: Annalise Christensen

Annalise Christensen is currently serving as the Bear River Heritage Area Board President and has been with the BRHA since 2018. She is a local area resident, raised in Willard and now living in Wellsville. She loves living in such a unique and beautiful area with her husband, 2 kids, 4 cats, and way too many chickens. Annalise has worked at the American West Heritage Center for 14 years and enjoys researching and teaching local history, specializing in historic buildings. In her college career, Annalise had the opportunity to create timber signs for our neighboring organization, the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area in Central Utah. Some of her favorite activities in the BRHA are Peach Days, Cache Valley Farmers Market, Chesterfield Idaho, and the National Oregon/California Trail Museum. In her free time, Annalise enjoys gardening and the theater.

Special thanks to Annalise for her dedication and work in this region.

Places to Visit: Holmgren Nature Preserve Trail



Take a walk on the wild side and visit the Holmgren Nature Preserve Trail in Tremonton, Utah. Make sure to see the Holmgren Family's large and over-a-century-old red roofed hay barn!



Reminders

PLEASE REMEMBER TO FILL OUT THE FEASIBILITY STUDY QUESTIONS. USE THE QR CODE TO ACCESS THE GOOGLE FORM, AND LET US KNOW YOUR THOUGHTS.



THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE IN SEPTEMBER 2025.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!