



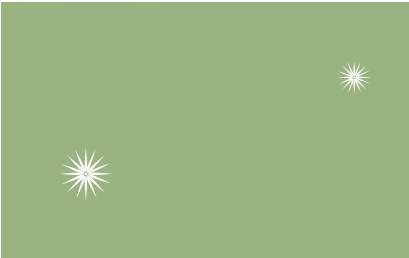
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Director Troy Hagen, Ada County Commissioners Fred Tilman, Paul Woods, Rick Yzaguirre, and Boise City Councilman Jim Tibbs cut the ribbon officially opening station 52

Ada County Paramedics Opens Medic 52

New South Boise Station Opens: The Ada County Board of Commissioners officially opened the county’s newest ambulance station by cutting the ribbon on Paramedic Station 52, a station that will further enhance emergency medical services provided to residents living in south Boise.

The one-bay, 3-bedroom station is located in a small business complex off of Victory Road on Featherly Way and now houses around-the-clock Paramedic crews devoted to serving Ada County residents living in the south Boise area. Previously, Paramedics serving this area had been based out of St. Luke’s Meridian Medical Center on Eagle Road and St. Alphonsus Hospital on Curtis Road.

“We are already seeing the benefits associated with locating EMS services closer to the residents we serve,” said Ada County Paramedics Director Troy Hagen. “We always want to be in a position where we’re improving our Paramedics response times and this new station has helped us do just that. The addition of this new station not only enhances services to residents living in south Boise, but it helps our entire Paramedic network operate more efficiently – so everyone benefits.”

Ada County Commissioners said they looked at response times across the county and determined a station was needed in south Boise. “If you just look at the numbers, it’s easy to see the majority of calls-for-service come from within Boise’s city limits,” said Ada County Board of Commissioners Chairman Fred Tilman.

Health Care Heroes Award

The Ada County Paramedics organization and two individual Paramedics were honored during the Idaho Business Review’s (I.B.R.) inaugural ‘Health Care Heroes’ recognition program. IBR hosted an awards dinner at the Grove Hotel to announce the winners. The weekly business journal recognized Ada County Paramedics with a ‘Health Care Hero’ Award in the *Advancements in Health Care Hero* category. Two individual Paramedics were finalists in the Emergency Hero category.

Jeremy Schabot, NREMT-P. *Emergency, Fire and Rescue Hero* nomination. Jeremy began his career working for Jerome County EMS as an EMT-Basic and later as an Intermediate. Jeremy graduated from the Ada County Paramedics class in August of 1996. He began working as a Paramedic in Boise in November of 1997. In total Jeremy has fourteen years experience in EMS and twelve years experience as a Paramedic.

Robert Mayes, Advanced EMT. *Emergency, Fire and Rescue Hero* nomination. Robert began his career as a USMC Captain in Armor and Infantry later going on to become an attorney, currently working for Hewlett Packard. Robert obtained his EMS education from Basic National Outdoor Leadership School, Wilderness Medicine Institute of Wyoming. Robert has worked as a volunteer reserve for Ada County Paramedics for the past two years.



Health Care Heroes Award Winners
Left: Troy Hagen, Center Robert Mayes
Right, Jeremy Schabot

Holiday Safety Tips



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Quick Facts

Primary Families: 349
Percentage of new members: **12%**
Number of Ada County Residents in 2005:
361,484
Total EMS Calls in 2007:
20,783

Toy Safety

- Select toys to suit the age, abilities, skills and interest level of the intended child. Toys too advanced may pose safety hazards for younger children.
- Before buying a toy or allowing your child to play with a toy that he has received as a gift, read the instructions carefully.
- To prevent both burns and electrical shocks, don't give young children (under age ten) a toy that must be plugged into an electrical outlet. Instead, buy toys that are battery-operated.
- Children under age three can choke on small parts contained in toys or games. Government regulations specify that toys for children under age three cannot have parts less than 1 1/4 inches in diameter and 2 1/4 inches long.
- Children under age 8 can choke or suffocate on uninflated or broken balloons. Remove strings and ribbons from toys before giving them to young children.
- Watch for pull toys with strings that are more than 12 inches in length. They could be a strangulation hazard for babies.

The American Academy of Pediatrics

Congratulations Class of 2008

On Friday, November 7, 2008, the Board of County Commissioners welcomed four new Paramedics and eleven new Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians to the Ada County Paramedics department as they officially graduated from the department's rigorous year-long training course. Members of the media and public were invited to attend a brief graduation ceremony that was held in the public hearing room at the Ada County Courthouse located at 200 W. Front Street in downtown Boise.

"We are pleased to see so many students excel in this course," said Ada County Paramedics Director Troy Hagen. "The mission of the Ada County Paramedics Department is to enhance the health, well-being, and quality-of-life of the people living in Ada County. Based on the high-marks this graduating class has received, I am confident these men and women will be incredible assets to our organization."

Graduating paramedic students have spent the past year attending regularly scheduled classes designed to test their knowledge and skills. In order to be accepted into the course, students must first possess Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certification.

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