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### **CAREY TO HOST DECEMBER "CAPITAL FOR A DAY"**

(BOISE) – Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter announced today that the Blaine County community of **Carey** will be Idaho's "Capital for a Day" on **Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**.

The first-come, first-served open opportunity to meet with the Governor, selected members of his Cabinet and other senior state officials is scheduled from **9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Carey school**, located at 20 Panther Lane in Carey. The Governor also will join Mayor Randy Patterson, other state and local leaders, and community members for a luncheon at the same location, provided by Lava Lake Lamb.

Guests of honor will include Pete and Freda Cenarrusa. Pete Cenarrusa, a former Carey-area sheep rancher, was a Blaine County legislator and speaker of the Idaho House of Representatives before serving as Idaho's secretary of state for 36 years – longer than any constitutional officer in Idaho history. He turns 92 on December 16<sup>th</sup>, and the Capital for Day in Carey will mark the first availability of his newly published memoirs. Lieutenant Governor Brad Little, Secretary of State Ben Ysursa, State Controller Donna Jones, and Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna also will be in attendance.

Officials joining Governor Otter at Capital for a Day will include **Colonel Bill Shawver**, director of the Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security; **Gary Spackman**, interim director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources; **Bill Deal**, director of the Idaho Department of Insurance; **Nancy Merrill**, director of the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation; **Royce Chigbrow**, chairman of the Idaho State Tax Commission; **Kim Toryanski**, administrator of the Commission on Aging; **Tom Blanchard**, chairman of the Idaho State Historical Society Board of Trustees and city administrator for the City of Bellevue; **Damien Bard**, administrator of the International Trade Division at the Idaho Department of Commerce; **Virgil Moore**, deputy director of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG); **Jerome Hansen**, IDFG regional supervisor; **Dr. Bill Barton**, state veterinarian; **Nick Smith**, deputy superintendent for district support services for the State Department of Education; **Devin Rigby**, district engineer for the Idaho Transportation Department; **Mark Browning**, chief communications and legislative affairs officer for the State Board of Education; **Tim Duffner**, area supervisor for the Idaho Department of Lands; **Lieutenant Robert Storm** of the Idaho State Police; **Bill Allred**, regional administrator for the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality; and **Dustin Miller**, environmental liaison for the Governor's Office of Species Conservation.

"It's an honor to bring the seat of Idaho's State government – even for one day – to the community that gave Idaho such a venerable and distinguished public servant as Pete Cenarrusa," Governor Otter said. "All of us who serve the people of Idaho owe a debt of gratitude to the high standards of civic virtue and devotion to duty that Pete and Freda set. This is a great opportunity to show the people of Carey and Blaine County how much we appreciate their contribution to Idaho's history, culture, and political development."

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