

## News Release

### **Ore Wagon Museum to Open Fridays** *Museum Guide Available After 'Sun Valley Story Tour'*

KETCHUM, Idaho —The Ore Wagon Museum will be open immediately after the Friday morning historical “Sun Valley Story Tours” on Mountain Rides buses through Aug. 22.

Free Sun Valley Story Tours, with a guide pointing out local historical sights, start every Friday at 10:15 a.m. at the Visitor Center. Participants should register at the center at Sun Valley Road and East Avenue prior to the tour.

The one-hour tour with commentary by volunteer guides takes place on the regularly scheduled “blue” bus route. The story tours continue through Aug. 29.

Immediately after the tour returns to the Visitor Center, the guide will invite participants to walk together to the Ore Wagon Museum at East Avenue and Fifth Street. The museum will remain open until 12:30 p.m., and all are welcome whether or not they have been on the bus tour.

The museum houses the three-ton wagons used in the 1800s to haul ore from the mines to the smelter once located on Warm Springs Road. New panels depicting the history of the area are on display under a covered porch at the museum, and can be seen at any time.

The wagons will move to the Sun Valley Horsemen’s Center on the morning of Aug. 29 in preparation for the Labor Day Wagons Days parade. They will return to the museum and be parked outside for Labor Day weekend.

For additional information, call 726-3423. People wishing to visit the museum at other times should check in at City Hall, across the street from the museum.



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#### **About the City of Ketchum**

The City of Ketchum is located in the Wood River Valley in south central Idaho. Founded in 1880 during the mining boom, Ketchum is now regarded as one of the most popular destinations for winter and summer visitors due to its world-class skiing, fishing, hiking, mountain biking, restaurants, art galleries and shopping. The City of Ketchum hosts the famous annual Wagon Days Parade, held on Labor Day weekend, and numerous other year-round attractions. Ketchum is home to more than 10,000 full- and part-time residents. For more information about the City of Ketchum, visit [www.ketchumidaho.org](http://www.ketchumidaho.org).

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