



OUR TOWN

Sustaining Hailey's Community

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Message from the Mayor

Hometown Holidays Celebration

Mayor Fritz Haemmerle is encouraging all businesses in Hailey to participate in the Christmas season by decorating their storefronts and by getting involved in community events. A Main Street festive with lighted trees and banners will frame the events which are scheduled to begin before Thanksgiving and continue until New Years Day.

The City of Hailey, the Hailey Chamber of Commerce, and the South Valley Merchants Alliance are pleased to announce the addition of the Hailey Holiday Square to this year's Holiday Festival. The Hailey Holiday Square will be located on Croy Street between the Hailey Public Library and the Hailey Hotel. A portion of Croy Street will be blocked off to all vehicular traffic from November 12 through January 4, during which time the Holiday Square will be used for a variety of Christmas and holiday themed events.



Regarding the Hailey Holiday Square, Mayor Haemmerle commented, "It is my hope that this gathering place will be a lot of fun for all our citizens and make Hailey the place to be this holiday season."

For a total of six consecutive Saturdays, the Hailey Holiday Square will be the center of holiday activities in the City of Hailey. Each Saturday from 12:00pm—2:00pm, beginning November 17, Santa Claus will be at the Square to hear children's Christmas wishes, the Chamber of Commerce will conduct their weekly raffle drawings, community choirs and music groups will entertain the crowds with holiday music and caroling, and a large fire pit will warm participants. The Town Tree will be displayed prominently in the Square and benches, picnic tables, and other seating will be provided.

The City of Hailey is extending an invitation to any vendors and/or non-profit groups interested in selling food or other holiday themed items on the Hailey Holiday Square during the Saturdays it will be in operation. There is no charge for vendors to set up, but they will need to provide their own electricity, water, heat, tent, etc. If interested, please contact Micah Austin, Community Development Director with the City of Hailey, at 788-9815 or email micah.austin@haileycityhall.org.

Hailey Hometown Holidays Celebration

w/Amplified Sound

December 6, 2012 - Holiday Business-After-Hours BAH at Hailey Holiday Square, hosted by City of Hailey, Hailey Public Library, Hailey Hotel, Shellie's Deli, & Lago Azul. All are welcome!

Saturdays throughout the Holiday Season:
November 17th through December 22nd, 2012.

November 17th from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tree Lighting at Holiday Square, with Santa Music by WRHS Dixie Jazz Band & Colla Voce

November 24th from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Chamber Raffle, Santa, Music By the B-Tones & A Few Good Men

December 1st, 2012 from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Chamber Raffle, Santa, Music By the Woodside Elementary School Choir

December 8th from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Chamber Raffle, Santa, Music by Colla Voce & Enchante

December 15th from 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.
Chamber Raffle, Santa, Music by Music & Me

December 22nd from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Chamber Raffle, Santa, Music by the Colla Voce

Fridays in December - 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Happy Hour in the Holiday Square with lighted fire pit and caroling performed by the Sun Valley Hallelujah Chorus

Location:

Hailey Holiday Square on Croy Street between the Hailey Public Library and the Hailey Hotel

City Sustainability

Glass...to Throw Away or Not to Throw Away?

On October 1st glass was no longer accepted at the curb by Clear Creek Disposal, as a result of a decision made by Blaine County. This change applies to the entire valley.

WHERE DID GLASS GO BEFORE THE CHANGE, WHEN IT WAS PICKED-UP CURBSIDE?

- It was transported to Ohio Gulch Transfer Station and diverted from the landfill in Burley, ID by crushing it to use as fill in the inert (AKA construction and demolition) pit at Ohio Gulch.

WHAT HAPPENS TO GLASS NOW?

- It continues to be diverted as described above, unless you decide to throw it away.
- If you throw it away, it is transported over 100 miles to Ohio Gulch, then to Milner Butte Landfill, near Burley,

ID—not to mention the additional 100 miles for the return trips the trucks must make back to Ohio Gulch.

WHY DOESN'T BLAINE COUNTY ACTUALLY RECYCLE THE GLASS, INSTEAD OF JUST DIVERTING FROM THE LANDFILL?

- Glass recycling is a national challenge. Many communities divert their glass in a similar fashion to ours due to a lack in the market for recycled glass.
- The closest bottling facility, where the glass could be reused, is in Colorado. It would cost more and have a greater environmental impact to transport the valley's glass to Colorado than our current practice of glass diversion.

WHY SHOULD I CONTINUE TO DIVERT GLASS IF IT ISN'T BEING RECYCLED?

- More trash = more money and more environmental impacts due to transporting additional trash to the Landfill in Burley, ID. (Continue on Page 3)



COMMUNITY DROP-OFF LOCATIONS GLASS AND CARDBOARD ONLY



1) 617 S. 3RD AVE. —NEXT TO THE HAILEY FIRE STATION



2) PARK AND RIDE PARKING LOT—
NW CORNER OF BULLION AND RIVER ST.

HAILEY COMMUNITY



FREE WORKSHOP

CLIMATE CHALLENGE

November 8, 6-7:30 p.m.

Hailey Public Library
7 West Croy St.

Free CFLs and other goodies

A WORKSHOP ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS

Reduce your energy bills. Learn how to:

- Stack funding tools (rebates, tax credits, tax deductions, loans, etc)
- Save with small renewable systems
- Change your behavior to reduce energy usage
- Identify the BEST energy efficiency upgrades for the buck

For details, call 788-9815, ext. 24 or visit www.haileychallenge.org

OPEN TO ALL



Brian Formusa, P.E.



- Diversion and recycling is free in Hailey, but trash disposal is not. The more trash you throw away, the more money it costs you. This is not a change, nor is it new. When you increase the size of your trash cart to accommodate more trash, you pay more. The inverse is true too—the more you divert and recycle, the less you throw away. Less trash = smaller cart = less money.



IS THE AMOUNT OF GLASS IN THE VALLEY ENOUGH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

- Yes, over 900 tons of glass from the valley is diverted annually from the landfill in Burley, ID.
- Every glass container counts!

WHERE CAN I TAKE MY GLASS CONTAINERS, IF I WANT TO DIVERT IT FROM THE LANDFILL?

- Glass (and cardboard) is now accepted at 2 Hailey drop-off locations:
 - 1) Park and ride parking lot (NW corner of Bullion and River Street)
 - 2) 617 S. 3rd Ave. (next to the Hailey Fire Station)
- Blaine County Recycling Center at Ohio Gulch will continue to accept glass dropped off by the public.

Public Works - Tree Tips

Salt Damage to Trees

Salts used for de-icing pavements can cause damage to trees and shrubs. Symptoms of salt damage appear in spring and early summer and include browning of evergreens, leaf scorch, branch die back, and dead areas in turf.

Branches and twigs can be killed from aerial deposits, and roots can be damaged from salt remaining in the soil. Salt will leach through well-drained soils, but damage can be extensive in poorly drained soils. Rock salt (sodium chloride) reduces the ability of a tree's fine roots to absorb water, nutrients and oxygen - all necessary for healthy growth. As an alternative, use calcium, potassium or magnesium chloride to de-ice sidewalks. Choose salt-tolerant species for sites where salt stress may be a problem.



This tree tip is provided by the Hailey tree committee.

Calendar

Important dates

City Council.....	11/05/12, 11/19/12
Hailey Arts Commission.....	11/01/12
Historic Preservation Commission.....	11/27/12
Parks & Lands Board	11/06/12
P&Z Commission.....	11/12/12
Tree Committee.....	11/08/12
Urban Renewal Agency	11/14/12
*Veterans Day Observed.....	*11/12/12
*Thanksgiving.....	*11/22/12
*Friday After Thanksgiving.....	*11/23/12
Election Day.....	11/06/12
*City Hall and Hailey Public Library Closed	

November Events at the Hailey Public Library

Our website www.HaileyPublicLibrary.org is loaded and updated with detailed information!

Wednesdays & Fridays, 2 – 3 pm: *Open Computer Labs* allow you to enjoy one-on-one assistance with your computer questions and tasks. Learn more by visiting our website.

November 3 from 1 – 3 pm: *International Gaming Day*. Drop in for fun and exciting games, using a gaming system donated by the *Friends of the Hailey Public Library*.

November 7 at 11:30 – 1:00: *Grandparents as Parents*, a newly formed support group, invites grandparents raising children to come and participate. This is not a library program, rather a group of local residents ready to make a change in the valley. Bring a brown bag lunch.

November 11 – 17: *Family Reading Week*. This year's theme is "Snuggle up and read!" Watch our website for details about events.

November 15 at 6:00 pm: *Adult Book Discussion*. This year's "Let's Talk About It" book club seeks the humanity in science and technology. Scholar Matthew Haynes leads the discussion of "The Shallows: What the Internet is Doing to Our Brains". Details online.

November 27 at 6:00 pm: *Food, Food, Food!* is a three-part fall program series. Join us for the final class, "Cheese Making with Pete." Learn about tools, resources, and processes for making cheese at home. It's free! Bring friends.

Wednesdays at 10:30 am: *Story Mania!* is a book-loving story hour led by Cathy Neumann, a certified teacher sharing over 15 years of experience. Join us weekly to explore new themes.

LIBRARY EVENTS

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Public Safety Enforcement

No Parking Except in Designated Areas on Woodside Boulevard

The safety of bicyclists, pedestrians and motorists will be vastly improved by the work being completed on Woodside Boulevard, but only if the new boulevard is used correctly. Woodside Boulevard is designed for parking only in designated areas.

NO PARKING:

- In the bicycle lanes,
- In the bus pull-outs,
- On the landscape strip,
- On or extending over sidewalks.



Designated parking areas have been developed in key locations along the boulevard. Only these areas and/or private property may be used for parking.

Hailey Police, under direction of the mayor, will be diligently enforcing the parking restrictions effective immediately. Visitors to Woodside as well as residents will be subject to penalty if parking restrictions are not observed.



NO DRIVING ON THE LANDSCAPE STRIP

Please don't drive across the landscape strip between the curb and sidewalk. An irrigation system has been installed there and late fall seeding will occur in the next few weeks. Driving on or across the landscape strip may break sprinkler heads and kill the grass seed.



NO PARKING PENALTIES

The Hailey City Council will be discussing new parking ordinance provision on November 5, 2012, which will establish some 15-minute parking zones downtown and allow the City of Hailey to collect fees for parking violations in any part of town. If the ordinance is adopted, the penalties imposed will include:

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| • 15 minute and 2-hour parking restrictions | \$20.00 |
| • Night-time parking restriction | \$25.00 |
| • Winter-time parking restriction | \$35.00 |
| • City parking lot restriction | \$20.00 |
| • Access parking restriction | \$30.00 |
| • Fire hydrant parking restriction | \$35.00 |
| • Main Street parking restriction | \$20.00 |
| • Parking line restriction | \$20.00 |
| • Designated parking space restriction | \$20.00 |
| • Sidewalk and bicycle path restriction | \$35.00 |

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Canal and Alley Clean-Up

After a fire threatened Woodside homes last summer along the canal area near the Smokey Bear sign, Hailey Street crews worked to clean up the area of dead wood. This is just one of the many projects done to generally improve the City of Hailey. An alley clean-up project will begin in the early spring, within the Old Hailey Townsite alleys. Look for more details in future newsletters.

Debris in Canal Areas along North Woodside



City Clean-up of Canal Areas along North Woodside



Alley in Old Hailey Townsite



Elections

VOTING INFORMATION

Absentee ballots are available from the Blaine County Elections office. Under consolidated elections law, Blaine County will be handling all voter registration and election ballots prior to and during the November 6, 2012 general election. Other detailed election information is available from the following:

election@co.blaine.id.us Ph: 208-788-5510 Ext. 1131
206 1st Ave South, Suite 200, Hailey, Idaho 83333

Acceptable forms of photo identification needed to register or vote include any one of the following:

- An Idaho driver's license or photo Identification Card.
- A U.S. passport or Federal photo identification card.
- A tribal photo identification card.
- A current student photo ID, issued by an Idaho high school or post secondary education institution.