



OUR TOWN

Sustaining Hailey's Community

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Adopt A Park Feature

Evergreen Landscaping

When City of Hailey staff contacted Tom Denker, president of Evergreen Landscaping about adopting one of Hailey's parks, we were greeted with the utmost warmth, courtesy, and professionalism. Evergreen adopted McKercher Park and had crews doing spring clean-up activities the same day.

According to Denker, Evergreen Landscaping puts a high value on community participation at all levels. "We believe that our most valuable resource is our work force. When it comes down to it, there are many landscaping firms in the valley that can do the work. Many are larger and some are smaller than Evergreen Landscaping, but one thing is certain, there isn't a nicer, more dedicated, harder working group of individuals, staff and managers than we have. From serving on the board of trustees at the Sawtooth Botanical Garden to donating resources to the Wood River Land Trust and the Heritage Court, we pride ourselves on participating in a variety of community projects and events and supporting our local suppliers. We truly love where we live and what we do."

Evergreen Landscaping has been in business since 1981 with a goal to help plan, create and maintain beautiful landscapes throughout the valley while developing long lasting relationships with clients. Their vast experience and understanding of the area lends itself to creative landscape designs, installations and maintenance practices. Their workers know and love the dependable, trustworthy, caring atmosphere of the company and stay with the company for many years forming a cohesive, reliable, quality based team. Throw in a generous warranty on plant material and workmanship, a 24 hour call response time and they are at the top of their game.

Evergreen Landscaping wants local residents and businesses to join them as good stewards of this beautiful land. Evergreen will provide their clients a landscape that can be enjoyed for years.



McKercher Park,
under the care of
Evergreen Landscape,
has been maintained

this season under the adoption program with quality care. The park serves as a gathering place for many community activities, including annual antique fairs, car shows, and sporting activities. It houses an RV dump station and is the only park in Hailey where overnight parking is allowed. It is the home of Hailey's first piece of public art, the Timeless Portal sculpture by Mark Stasz, which serves as an entry marker to Hailey.



City Elections

Candidates for Hailey City Council Filing Dates

Candidates interested in running for Hailey City Council should file a petition of candidacy before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 6, 2013. Elections will be held for two city council seats in November.

Calendar

Important dates

City Council.....	9/16/13
Hailey Art & Historic Preservation Commission...	9/05/13
Hailey Library Board.....	9/18/13
Parks & Lands Board	9/03/13
P&Z Commission.....	9/09/13
Tree Committee.....	9/11/13
*Labor Day.....	9/02/2013

* City Hall Closed

Adopt - A - Park Sponsors



**All Seasons
Landscaping**



**Katherine Noble +
Associates**

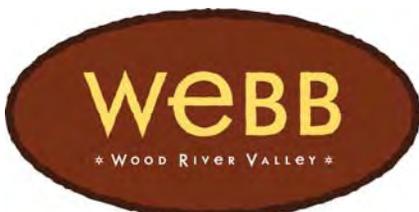


Award Winning Design, Installation, and Service

**C-U Next Storm
Landscaping**



S. Erwin Excavation



Staff Milestones

Hailey Fire Chief Mike Chapman to Re-tire - Community Invited to Celebrate

Fire Chief Mike Chapman has trained and mentored fire fighters for the City of Hailey since April 1991. Always planning ahead, he submitted a 6-month retirement notice to the City last spring, setting his retirement date for mid-October of this year.



In his career with the City of Hailey, Chief Chapman participated in local wild-land fire incidents, including the Ro Fire, the Castle Rock Fire, and the Beaver Creek Fire. He build a dedicated core of volunteer firefighters for Hailey. He improved the City's fire-fighting and rescue equipment through careful budget management and the pursuit of grants. He wrote and helped train Hailey's Emergency Operations Plan to all City employees.

Chief Chapman and his wife Leslie have been an integral part of the Wood River Valley community for over 22 years, raising three children and participating in varied community activities. They are known well and loved by many. The City of Hailey will host a retirement gathering to celebrate Chief Chapman's 22 years of irreplaceable service to the community. Please join us on Saturday, September 21, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. at Cowboy Cocina, 111 North First Avenue in Hailey, Idaho for this community celebration. All are welcome!

Public Safety

**New Bicycle Safety Rules in Place
Dismount at Crosswalks on Main Street**

New signs are painted at busy intersection crosswalks in Hailey. Bicyclists are now required to dismount and walk their bicycles in crosswalks located on Main Street and other potentially dangerous crosswalks throughout the city. The areas where dismount is required are marked as shown above. Look for these signs and teach children bicycle safety Walking bikes across the road allows motorists more time to stop and potentially avoid accidents.



Hailey Police will launch an education program with the start of school to help children learn bicycle safety.

**CHRISTIAN
HOSON**



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SEPT 7, 2013

HAILEY SKATE PARK

REGISTRATION 9-10AM
\$10 ENTRY FEE
AGES 5 AND UP
1ST, 2ND & 3RD PLACE PRIZES

RAFFLE
LIVE MUSIC • FOOD
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



Hailey Fire Chief Mike Chapman briefs city staff on the Beaver Creek Fire, its active fronts, and Hailey's role in the fire, including round-the-clock structural protection of mid-valley homes.

Hailey Police Department assisted Blaine County Sheriff in delivering pre-evacuation notices and securing evacuated areas.



**Hailey Public Library
September Events**

Did you know Hailey library's events are free of charge? Get more from your library; try one.

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.: Story Mania Story Hour. Designed to build early literacy skills, this book-loving story and craft hour for young children explores a new theme each week. Join us.

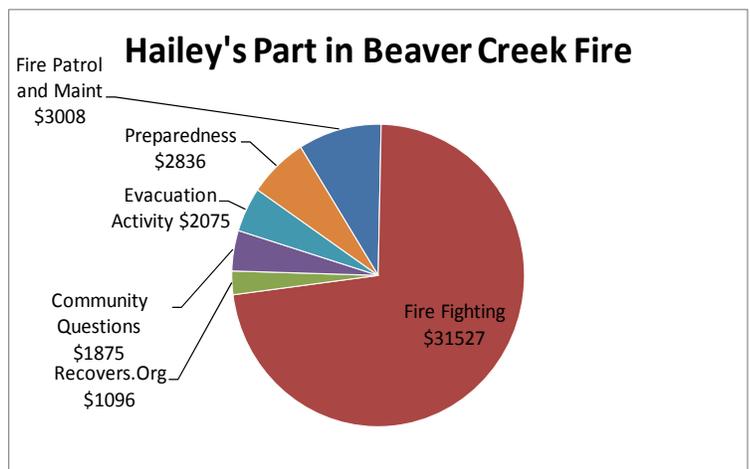
Thursdays at 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.: TNT Thursdays. Tweens 'n' Teens Thursdays are open to ages 10-18. Youth enjoy gaming on Xbox and Wii, projected on our big screen. Each week, new crafts inspire creativity and ingenuity. Youth may come alone or bring friends ages 10-18.

Saturday, September 21 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.: Discover Health at the Community Campus. Your Hailey librarians will have a table at the health fair. Come say hello, ask questions about the library and let us tell you about the many services we offer, including online access to health info.

Tuesday, September 24 from 6:00 – 7:30pm: Cocina saludable con Cyndi Ochoa. Ven a la biblioteca y aprender a cocinar comidas saludables con Cyndi del YMCA. Esta clase es gratuita y se presenta en español. Traiga amigos. Come to the library and learn to cook healthy foods with Cyndi of the YMCA. This free class is presented in Spanish. Bring friends.

Questions? Comments? You can call Hailey Public Library at (208)788-2036.

LIBRARY EVENTS



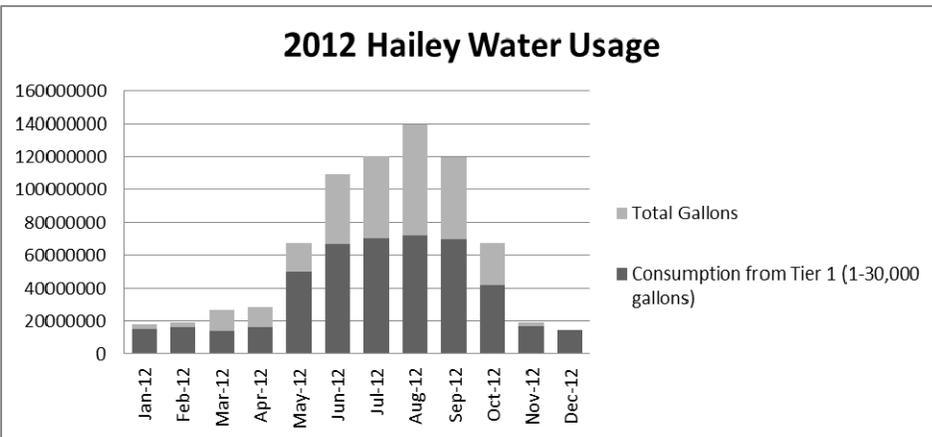
Hailey Water Rates

Given the future of conjunctive management and adapting to lesser water resources, the city will continue it's review of water rates at the **September 16th Council Meeting** (the public is encouraged to attend and provide comments on this issue). One way to address these impacts is to look at water demand. By reducing demand, the city may further stretch supply and save money by avoiding engineering, infrastructure, or other costs that may be associated with conjunctive management measures.



Primary objectives to changing the water service rate and creating conservation programs/projects:

- ◆ Generate enough revenue from rates to fund FY2014 budget (\$1,105,301).
- ◆ Promote water conservation while not overburdening citizens with excessive fees.
- ◆ Reduce water consumption to alleviate or postpone future impacts and expenses incurred by conjunctive management.
- ◆ Maintain the health and aesthetics of Hailey's urban landscape by proactively addressing irrigation deficiencies and curtailing excess water usage to more effectively and efficiently use water.
- ◆ Reduce water demand, by curtailing excess water use, which will further water supply efforts.
- ◆ Provide a mechanism to help citizens maintain their existing landscapes with less water, which will help mitigate the effects of water rate increases by reducing water use and therefore, customer expenses.



73% of the water used in Hailey is for irrigation alone. 68% of all customers in Hailey use under 30,000 gallons a month (tier 1, currently \$0.25/1000 gallons)

Water Rates Comparison

City	Water Rate Fee: 50,000 gallons
Hailey	\$28.32 (current)
Bellevue	\$25.20
Ketchum	\$79.49
Pocatello	\$141.93
Meridian	\$98.38
Jerome	\$108.92
Boise	\$128.86

Other cities of similar climates, who are also facing water resource pressures, have taken a comprehensive approach to water savings and have seen reductions in excess of 20%. Beyond water rates, there are a number of things that can be done to further reduce water demand efforts and target the main use - irrigation. A comprehensive approach includes addressing current and future water use. The following are additional ways to approach water conservation: a rebate program, to address current irrigation inefficiencies; an education and outreach program, to inform property owners how to better utilize their irrigation water, without sacrificing the health and aesthetics of their landscapes; and ordinance changes, to establish requirements for future developments' landscapes and irrigation systems.