



OUR TOWN

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Emergency Services

Hailey Firefighters of the Year

The Hailey Fire Department and Wood River Fire & Rescue held their first joint holiday and recognition ceremony in December 2016. They celebrated a record number of calls for both departments, and honored individual and team efforts.

Outstanding firefighters recognized for the 2016 year were Hailey Fire Department Rookie Firefighter of the Year Jeremy Lange and Hailey Fire Department Firefighter of the Year Brian Vincent.

Wood River Fire & Rescue recognized Eli McNees as Fire Fighter of the Year. Thanks go out to all three men for exhibiting great commitment to their Fire Departments and our community. Thanks go out to all of our fire fighters for their continued dedication and commitment to keeping us safe in our community!

The two fire departments recognized and honored Pat Rainey as Citizen of the Year. Pat Rainey is a retired Fire Captain for HFD, who served on the department for over 25 years. The owner of Alpine Tree Service, Rainey has assisted both departments with tree removal at fires and any other assistance ever requested. Mr. Rainey also offered support to the Coin Challenge for Hailey Fire Department. We are proud to recognize Pat Rainey as Citizen of the Year. Thanks to Rocky Mountain Hardware for their support of this award.



Jeremy Lange



Brian Vincent



Eli McNees



Pat Rainey

Message from the Mayor

Airport Noise Abatement

The Friedman Memorial Airport voluntary noise abatement committee will address concerns over the impacts of aircraft noise on the surrounding community. The committee will present their findings along with proposed solutions on how to decrease the impact of aircraft noise on the surrounding area. The public is invited to any of the scheduled presentations:

- Hailey:** Thursday, January 12th, 5:30 pm.
Minnie Moore Room, Community Campus
- Bellevue City Hall** Thursday, January 19th, 5:30 pm.
- Ketchum City Hall** Tuesday, January 10, 5:30 pm.

Fire Departments & American Red Cross Provide Free Smoke Alarms

Hailey and Wood River Fire Departments have teamed with the American Red Cross to provide free smoke alarms. Hailey residents can get one installed by registering at www.GetASmokeAlarm.org. According to National Fire Prevention Association statistics, half of all U.S. home fire deaths occur at night between the hours of 11:00 pm and 7:00 am, when people are most likely to be sleeping. Having a working smoke alarm in the home cuts the risk of death in a fire by at least half.

Calendar



Important Dates

- City Council.....01/09/17 and 01/30/17
- Arts & Historic Preservation Commission... 01/12/17
- Hailey Public Library Board..... 01/18/17
- Parks & Lands Board..... none
- Planning & Zoning... 1/10/17 & 01/23/17 & 01/24/17
- Tree Committee 01/12/17
- Urban Renewal Agency 01/24/17

- ◆ New Years Holiday Closure 01/02/17
- ◆ Idaho Civil Rights Day.....01/16/17

* City Hall and Library Closed

Public Works

Toilets Impact Utility Bills

Did you know that toilets have the largest impact on water consumption inside your home? Sewer utility rates are based on the home's winter water usage, and are reset each spring based on winter water consumption. Conserving just a little bit of water indoors in winter is the easiest way to lower your utility bills for both water and sewer. Low-flow toilets can reduce water usage. Most importantly, make sure your toilets are functioning properly. Running toilets were discovered to be the cause of high utility bills in the past few months in several Hailey residences. These running toilets used from 57,000 to 171,000 gallons of water, depending on the duration of their malfunction. It pays to immediately fix faulty toilets!

January Tree Tip Water Potted Holiday Trees



Though easy to overlook, occasional watering of potted holiday trees helps them to survive. If your potted trees are outside, water them occasionally and then plant them in spring as weather permits. If your potted tree is indoors, it needs both watering and acclimatization to the outdoor weather so that it can be planted in spring. A plant can't transition from a 72 degree home to 20 degree outdoor weather without experiencing shock. Remember that you can call your neighborhood arborist with any questions. The City of Hailey's arborist on staff, Stephanie Cook, can be reached at 788-9830 x 31.

SUN Art at Friedman Airport

Art pieces by local artists are displayed through rotating exhibits at the Friedman Memorial Airport Terminal. New pieces recently installed can be seen through May 2017, complimenting the terminal's permanent art.



Hailey Public Library January Events

Happy New Year!

HaileyPublicLibrary.org

Story Time: Wednesdays & Fridays 10:30 am
TNT Thursdays: Every Thursday 4-5 pm

New Year Closure: January 2nd. The Hailey Public Library will be closed January 2nd in honor of the New Year. Have a happy holiday.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day: January 16th library closure in observance of the federal holiday.

Pushing the Limits: Thursday January 12th, at 4 pm. An adult book discussion designed to bring together community members for programs that engage them in thought-provoking and fun discussions about the science, technology, engineering, and math that occur in everyday life. This month's title is *Thunderstruck* by Erik Larson.

Let's Talk About It!: Tuesday January 17th, at 6 pm. A scholar-led book club for adults. All are welcome to join in a discussion of *Humor & Satire* in literature. This month's title is *Forever Erma* by Erma Bombeck.

Confidently Create Your Space: Thursday, January 26th, from 6 pm – 7:30 pm. Is your home the beautiful and supportive reflection of you that it could be? This event will be held on January 26, from 6 – 7:30 pm. This is a free workshop with Tenaya Plowman Kolar of TPK Feng Shui & Design.

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HELP WANTED

Snow Shovel Brigade

Sign up for our snow shoveling referral list to help those who are unable to shovel snow themselves. We give callers the referral list, and they contact you directly to determine wages, area to be shoveled and work schedule. To sign up, call 788-9830 x20.



Hailey Police Department Has Moved

On Monday, January 9, 2017 the Hailey Police Department opens its doors at its new location at 311 Cedar Street.



Formerly known as the Idaho Army National Guard Armory, the secure building just north of McKercher Park, between Third and Fourth Avenues on Cedar Street, will now house the Hailey Police Department. The Hailey City Council was happy to approve a Shared Use Agreement between the City of Hailey and the State of Idaho for this use. Stop in and see Hailey Police Department operate in a ground-floor space!

SNOWLINE 788-9830 x14

The City of Hailey has a high call volume during snow events. The SNOWLINE is a way to provide updates on snow removal activity in a timely manner. Call the SNOWLINE for operational updates during snow events, or to make an inquiry regarding snow removal.

There is an option to leave a message about your inquiry. During a snow event, the SNOWLINE voicemail box is checked at 8:00 a.m. and again at 2:00 p.m. This is the best method to reach us during a snow event. (At other non-stormy times, messages are checked daily.) Calls are returned in the order they are received, and as soon as possible.



Safety for Children in Snow

Snow forts and snow caves can seem like fun, but they are dangerous when built in the right-of-way or next to the road. When snow builds up we push banks back. Visibility from inside a plow truck and around large banks of snow is limited.



Winter Parking Restrictions

No parking is allowed along City streets during the night in winter, as that is when the majority of snow removal is done. Cars parked in the way of snow removal operations can be easily damaged. To avoid damage and facilitate snow removal, illegal cars will be towed without notice at the vehicle-owner's expense.

There are three types of parking restrictions:

Streets With Curbs or Sidewalks

For any right-of-way with a paved street abutting an improved curb and gutter, it is unlawful for any person to park a motorized or non-motorized vehicle, trailer or camper within the right of way between the hours of twelve o'clock (12:00) midnight to seven o'clock (7:00) am., from November 1 to May 1.

Streets Without Curbs or Sidewalks

For any right-of-way without a paved street abutting an improved curb and gutter, it is unlawful for any person to park a motorized vehicle or non-motorized vehicle, trailer or camper within six feet (6') of the edge of asphalt constructed by or on behalf of the city of Hailey within the right of way between the hours of twelve o'clock (12:00) midnight to seven o'clock (7:00) am., from November 1 to May 1.

Alleys and other Rights-of-Way

For all other portions of rights-of-way, it is unlawful for any person to park a motorized or non-motorized vehicle, trailer or camper on a right-of-way in such a manner as to interfere with the safe and proper plowing or removal of snow on the right-of-way.

Illegally parked vehicles are the biggest obstacle to effective snow removal efforts, and they will be ticketed or towed without notice and at the owner's expense. Illegally parked vehicles can also be plowed in or damaged, a nuisance and a cost to the owner.

Trash Cans and Recycle Containers

It's a good idea to keep trash cans and recycling containers out of the right-of-way during a snow event. These items, and any other items left in the right-of-way, are easily damaged by snow removal equipment. This damage is not the responsibility of the City. In this category, timing is everything, as trash service is rarely interrupted due to inclement weather.

Hailey Public Library to Host *Pushing the Limits* Discussion Series

Hailey Public Library will host a free four-part reading, viewing and discussion series for adults called Pushing the Limits. The library is one of 40 rural public libraries nationwide receiving grants to host the series. Pushing the Limits brings together books and videos featuring authors, scientists and everyday people who thrive on exploring the natural world.

Since the beginning of time, humans have imagined and achieved ways to push the boundaries of the physical world. We want to be stronger, smarter, and more aware, and we create stories to bring those dreams to life. But many of those stories are no longer just stories; with great new advances in science and technology, we are finding ways in which all of us are able to push the limits every day.

The Pushing the Limits program will explore these ideas in discussions that will include feature film quality videos and recommended popular books. The overarching theme is one of real people, real stories and real science.

Group discussion events will be held once per month on the following topics and books:

- CONNECTION: Erik Larson, *Thunderstruck*
January 12
- NATURE: T.C. Boyle, *When the Killing's Done*
February 9
- SURVIVAL: Clive Cussler, *Arctic Drift*
March 9
- KNOWLEDGE: Jean Auel, *The Land of Painted Caves*
April 13

Paul Zimmerman and Marsha Azorsky will lead a discussion of the books and videos of author interviews and human interest stories.

This national program has been developed by a team of library professionals, scientists, and filmmakers. Their organizations include Dartmouth College, the Association for Rural and Small Libraries, the Califa Group (a California-based library consortium), Dawson Media Group, and Oregon State University, with generous funding from the National Science Foundation.

The first five people to register for the event will receive a free copy of the book to keep! All programs will be held at Hailey Public Library: 7 W Croy St, Hailey. For details or to register, please visit haileypubliclibrary.org, call 208-788-2036, or visit Hailey Public Library Monday through Saturday 10:00 am. to 6:00 pm.

Public Safety

Winter Safety for Senior Citizens

Being really cold can make you very sick, and it's not limited to children. The National Institute on Aging (NIA) says older adults can lose body heat fast, much faster than when they were young. A big chill can turn into a dangerous problem before an older person even knows what's happening. NIA has a brochure, *Stay Safe in Cold Weather!* with tips on how to stay warm when it's cold. Here are a few of the tips they recommend:

- Set your heat at 68 degrees or higher.
- Dress warmly on cold days even if you are staying in the house.
- Wear loose layers when you go outside on chilly days.
- Wear a hat, scarf, and gloves.
- Don't stay out in the cold and wind for a long time.
- Talk to your doctor about health problems that may make it harder for you to keep warm.
- Find safe ways to stay active even when it's cold outside.
- Ask a neighbor or friend to check on you if you live alone.

If you think someone has hypothermia, call 911 right away. Cover him or her with a blanket. Don't rub his or her legs or arms.



Staff Transitions

Amanda St John Leaves Library Job Opening at Hailey Public Library

Amanda St. John took a new job with another public library, fulfilling her duties at Hailey Public Library at the end of 2016. Hailey Public Library was lucky to have this exceptional woman for the past five years. Amanda is a published author and exceptionally skilled communicator, and will be missed. Amanda is most proud of having made a difference in the lives of many people within our community.

The library is now in search of someone seeking a career as a youth services librarian whose focus is, through exemplary customer service, connecting citizens with information in a variety of formats. The job entails relationship building, reader's advisory services, and requires a passion for books and media, with comfort with technology and bilingual skills preferred. Obtain application packet at www.HaileyPublicLibrary.org.