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**Subject:** Tree Committee Appointments  
**Attachments:** Bill Josey.pdf; Denise Jackson.doc; Jennifer Smith.doc; Jim Rineholt.doc; Sallie Hanson.doc



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Hello,

The following Hailey citizens have volunteered to serve as, founding members of the Hailey Tree Committee, and their letters of interest (mini-resumes) are attached. We hope that you can squeeze their appointment onto your Agenda for your meeting on Monday, October 6th, as they are anxious (and very willing) to get going.

**Volunteers:**

Denise Jackson Ford  
Sallie Hanson  
Jim Rineholt  
Jennifer Smith  
Bill Josey

Thank you very much,

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September 30, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

I have been a Hailey resident since 1992, have an extensive background in arboriculture and I would like to express my interest in serving on Hailey's Tree Committee with the goal of obtaining the designation as a Tree City USA for the City of Hailey

I have a BS in Forestry from North Carolina State University. I received my Certified Arborist credential from the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) in 1995. I served on the Idaho Nursery & Landscape Association Board of Directors from 1993-2001 and was President 1999-2000. I am an active member of ISA and received the Commercial Arborist Award from the Pacific Northwest Chapter ISA in 2004. I also helped in preparing the City of Hailey Tree Selection & Planting Guide a few years back.

Presently, I own and operate ArborCare Resources, Inc. which provides arboriculture services throughout the Wood River Valley. Previous to starting my own business I worked as an arborist in Boulder, Colorado from 1989-1992 and then was the Nursery GM for Webb Nursery from 1992-1996. I feel as though my arboriculture background will be an asset to the committee.

Thank you for consideration and I look forward to working with the committee.

Regards,

Bill Josey  
ISA Certified Arborist RM0715

# ***ALTITUDE DESIGNS***

## ***Landscape Architecture & Land Planning***

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September 28, 2008

Attn: Mayor, Rick Davis and City Council  
The City of Hailey  
115 South Main Street, Suite H  
Hailey, ID 83333

Dear Rick and City Council Members,

I write in support of your decision to establish the City of Hailey Tree Committee and to volunteer to serve as a member. With the successful passing of a Tree Ordinance, Hailey has achieved the first critical step toward becoming a Tree City USA. In establishing a Tree Committee, Hailey will gain the additional assistance needed, through volunteers, to apply to Tree City USA and to establish and maintain a productive tree care program.

The national network of Tree City USA communities is also the focal topic of the Urban and Community Forestry class and course work I am currently studying through the College of Southern Idaho (CSI), Horticulture Department. So I am eager to apply the principles of this sound and nationally recognized program to our own community beginning with an inventory of the diversity and health of our existing Hailey trees. Members of the CSI horticulture staff and program have also pledged support and mentoring should we need their assistance. I meet with them twice a week and would be able to glean advice and feedback regarding our application to Tree City USA in a timely fashion.

As a founding member of the City of Hailey Parks and Lands Board and a former member and Chairperson for the Hailey Historic Preservation Commission, I believe I also have a clear understanding of appropriate procedures for conducting open and public meetings for City of Hailey sub-committees. To this end, I offer to coordinate meeting scheduling and agendas and to take minutes at each meeting to document committee efforts and progress. I believe this will allow other prospective members - who are more experienced than I with the Tree City USA program and arbor care issues - to focus their skills and attentions on formulating a sound tree care and planting program for our community.

Other experience I will bring to the Tree Committee include my design and planning skills as an Idaho licensed landscape architect with a Master of Community and Regional Planning degree. I have owned and operated my landscape architecture business here in Hailey for eight years now and in doing so have had the opportunity at various times to collaborate with other prospective tree committee members.

Sallie Hanson and Bill Josey have been two of my contacts for advice on garden and tree care issues and Bill's company took care of my trees at my first home in Hailey. Sallie and I have also volunteered together for local Master Gardener projects and particularly for the Hailey Arboretum to care for and interpret its trees. Jen Smith had been my neighbor for several years and she and I have long dreamed of Hailey as a Tree City USA. Jim Rineholt is one of my long time and dearest friends here in the Wood River Valley as I met Jim in 1988, my first summer in Idaho, when I began working for the Sawtooth National Recreation Area as a landscape architect. Jim and I walked many tree stands to lay out aesthetically-pleasing tree stand thinning projects for the Sawtooth National Forest. I learned a great deal from Jim about Idaho's native trees during those instructive forest field trips.

I deeply respect the expertise and community commitment demonstrated by other prospective Tree Committee members and I believe we have gathered a well-rounded and tree-passionate group of professionals for Hailey's first tree committee. I look forward to serving with these friends and colleagues to assist the City of Hailey in becoming a Tree City USA and in continuing to grow a community forest of healthy, lovely trees!

Sincerely,

S/Denise Jackson Ford,  
LA No. 228-State of Idaho

**Jennifer L. Smith, ISA Certified Arborist**



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September 11, 2008

Honorable Mayor Rick Davis & City Council Members  
City of Hailey  
PO Box 945  
Hailey ID 83333

Dear Mr. Mayor and City Council Members:

I wish to express my interest in appointment to a volunteer position with the City of Hailey's Tree Committee. I currently hold the position of parks and natural resources superintendent for the Ketchum Parks & Recreation Department which includes my duties as city arborist. I earned a BS in Forest Recreation Resources from Oregon State University in 1995 and have been a certified arborist since 2003. In 2004, I was among the first in the nation to become a certified municipal specialist.

Ketchum's community forestry division was developed in 2003 and we were designated a Tree City USA in 2004 and received a Growth Award in 2005. My intention is to assist the City of Hailey's tree committee in achieving Tree City USA designation and developing a sustainable urban forestry program through stakeholder involvement, relevant education, and pragmatic programming.

I commend you for taking the steps necessary to become a Tree City USA. Beyond the obvious benefits of a city managed urban forestry program like beautification, cleaner water and air, shady streets, and colorful fall foliage, a managed tree program will allow Hailey to apply for state and national tree care grants, lessen its liability, save taxpayer dollars, and gain citizen support for its efforts. I encourage you to call Ketchum's Mayor and Council Members for further insight regarding community forestry benefits to the City of Ketchum. Feel free to contact me as well or visit Ketchum's Community Forestry Division page at [www.ketchumidaho.org](http://www.ketchumidaho.org). I look forward to meeting with you all.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jen Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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September 16, 2008

City of Hailey:

I recently read in the "Our Town" newsletter that Hailey is looking for folks to serve on the tree committee. I am very interested in serving on the committee to help the city work toward Tree City USA status and to maintain, enhance, and protect the health of Hailey's trees. I'm a forester by profession and am knowledgeable in tree care, tree health, insects and disease, and forested ecosystems. I have lived and worked in the Wood River valley for over 28 years.

I work for the Forest Service at the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. I have worked extensively in maintaining tree health in our developed recreation sites including tree planting and hazard tree identification. I have also prepared vegetative management plans that offer recommendations to maintain long-term forest health in the developed recreation sites.

During the last several years I have coordinated a forest health protection cost share grant program for the Idaho Department of Lands to offer financial and educational assistance to private landowners that have been impacted by bark beetles. This involved making recommendations to landowners on proper prevention and suppression tactics to protect and maintain their high value trees and to keep their forests healthy

With my past experience and desire to serve my community I believe I could be of help on the city of Hailey's Tree Committee.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Jim Rineholt*

Jim Rineholt

23 September 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

When I started attending the Arboriculture Class from the Horticulture program offered at the College of Southern Idaho, Professor Kiesig kept stating that we would all be looking at trees differently by the end of the course. He definitely was right! My interest in tree health started there, and now I hope to continue to help educate others in the care and maintenance of their trees.

My degree from Sacramento State University was in Biology with a Chemistry minor. It was not until my interest in gardening came to be that that field of study came to the forefront. My work experience until then was in banking, bookkeeping, and administration.

About 10 years ago, I began attending the Horticulture program at the College of Southern Idaho. I also received my Master Gardener Certification during that time period. My business, The Potting Shed Gardeners, LLC, was the fruition of my horticultural education; and have been in the green industry for six years.

My education in Arboriculture was expanded when I was asked by the Bellevue Tree Committee to help with the prerequisite Tree Inventory for their Tree City USA program. Along with Carol Blackburn, we identified trees and earmarked those considered hazardous with the Bellevue City Limits.

I am a member of the Idaho Nursery-Landscape Association, and have attended horticulture and arboriculture seminars offered by the Association. I have also attended the Arboriculture Certification Seminar, and will be testing for my Arborist certification.

As a Master Gardener, I have attended the programs' continuing certification seminars including arboriculture seminars.

My vision for the committee is that of education, of all sectors of the community, to make them aware that learning how to choose, to plant and to maintain their trees will help deter unhealthy, hazardous trees in the future; and that the committee will not be considered a policing entity but as an advisory body available to all residents of the community to help keep all city trees in healthy condition.

Respectfully submitted,

Sallie Ballungay Hanson



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October 2, 2008

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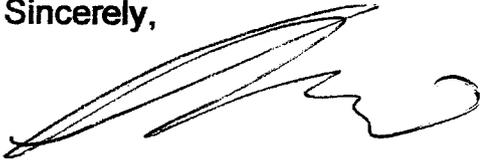
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Dear Mayor Davis,

As Music Director of the Wood River Community Orchestra, and as Orchestra Instructor for the Blaine County School district, I'm keenly interested in the Arts in our community.

I would therefore like to serve as an arts commissioner, as a member of the Hailey Arts Commission, to help insure the continued health and growth of our arts community.

Sincerely,



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