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Lend a Helping Hand

Hailey Staffer Named Kiwanis Club President Elect



Trina Isaacs, the Hailey Public Works Department Administrative Assistant, has been named President Elect of the *Kiwanis Club of Hailey and the Wood River Valley*. Kiwanis Club is a service organization focused primarily on assistance to the children of the Wood River Valley.

Kiwanis Club of Hailey and the Wood River Valley was founded in 2005, and contributes to the community's children in many ways, including:

- Read to children at Head Start once a month.
- Donate school supplies to area schools and teachers.
- Sponsor the K-Koats drive to deliver winter coats to children.
- Donate to the Community Library once a quarter from the club's Thunder Mug proceeds.
- Decorate and donate trees for auction at the Festival of Trees and support the event by volunteering time to help the Blaine County Senior Center host the event.
- Sponsor Winter Wonderland for children during the December holidays.
- Host a chili cook-off.
- Volunteer time and effort to help Blaine County Recreation District with the Snow Box Derby.
- Provide scholarship funds for the K-Leader Camp.
- Provide scholarship funds for swimming lessons for Head Start children.
- Host the "biker's BBQ" in support of Camp Rainbow Gold and donate the proceeds to the camp.
- Host the Kiwanis Hailey Auto Show.

To learn more about the Kiwanis Club, and how you can help, attend one of the organization's weekly meetings. Meetings are held each Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. at the Blaine County Senior Center. Lunch is provided. For more information contact Trina at 788-4221, ext. 22 or Jim Spinelli, the current President of the local chapter, at 481-1112.

Please join us for the dedication of

Timeless Portal

by artist Mark Stasz



Wednesday, November 10, 2010, 1:00 p.m.

Roberta Mc KERcher Park

Refreshments immediately following at

The Inn at Ellsworth Estate

Remarks

Hailey Mayor Rick Davis

Michael Faison, Executive Director
Idaho Commission on the Arts

This project made possible by the Hailey Public Art Fund, McDonald's of Hailey, the Village at Hailey Center, the Hailey Chamber of Commerce, Hailey Rotary, Hailey Kiwanis, the Idaho Commission on the Arts/National Endowment for the Arts, Phil and Ann Puchner, Jim and Shirley Spinelli, and Jeff and Gloria Gunter.

Calendar

Important Dates

City Council.....	11/08/10, 11/22/10
Hailey Arts Commission.....	11/04/10
Historic Preservation Commission	11/30/10
Parks & Lands Board	11/02/10
P&Z Commission	11/01/10, 11/15/10
Tree Committee	11/25/10
Veterans Day *	11/11/10
Thanksgiving Day *	11/25/10

* City offices closed 11/11, 11/25 and 11/26.

Plan Ahead for a Safe, Snowy Winter

The Public Works Department's primary objective during the winter storm season is to provide safe transportation, emergency vehicle access to all citizens, and support education and commerce during adverse weather conditions. The city has prepared equipment and personnel to meet the special needs associated with snow removal. Another important part of this preparation is to inform citizens of their role in the snow removal process. With this in mind, the City of Hailey would like to share a few tips that may make the snow more enjoyable.

DO NOT PARK VEHICLES IN THE CITY'S RIGHT OF WAY OVERNIGHT FROM NOV. 1 THROUGH MAY 1.

The city plows at night whenever possible. It is permissible to move your vehicles into the Right of Way during the day to clean your driveway, but make sure to park them well out of the way at night to avoid any damage to vehicles. The city issues warning tags on vehicles and trailers parked within the Right of Way whenever possible. However, a tow truck will be called to remove vehicles that impede snow removal. Owners must pay tow company fees associated with storage and towing.

DO NOT PLACE YOUR TRASH CONTAINER IN THE RIGHT OF WAY DURING A SNOW EVENT.

The plow crews try very hard not to hit trash cans left out while they are plowing, but prefer that the cans not impact snow removal. Please keep your trash cans and all personal items back away from the roadway during a storm.

DO NOT LET YOUR CHILDREN BUILD SNOW CAVES OR SNOW FORTS NEAR THE ROADWAY SNOW BANKS.

Snow forts can seem like a lot of fun, but they are extremely dangerous when built in the city right of way or next to the road. When snow builds up we push the banks back to help with visibility at intersections. We cannot see children playing in these caves and do not want any accidents to occur.

WHEN CLEARING YOUR DRIVE, PUT SNOW INTO YOUR YARD OR NEAR THE BANK ON THE DOWNSTREAM SIDE.

Please be considerate of your neighbors; if their driveway is just downstream from yours, push or blow the snow into your yard. Do not push or plow the snow back into the roadway after the plow has gone by, as it may impede emergency service access. City ordinance prohibits plowing snow across or onto any public street, parking area, alley or sidewalk.

Please call Trina Isaacs, the Public Works Administrative Assistant, at 788-9830 x22 with questions about snow removal.

Water & Sewer Rate Changes

Effective every October 1 the Water & Sewer user fees are subject to change. Minimal changes occurred this October 1, 2010. The water monthly base rate on metered accounts decreased by \$1.36 to \$8.79. The sewer monthly base rate on metered accounts decreased by \$1.60 to \$10.52. The water monthly non-metered base rate did not change and is still \$42.00. The sewer monthly non-metered base rate increased by \$.50 to \$27.50.

SEWER RATES ARE BASED ON WINTER METERED WATER USE

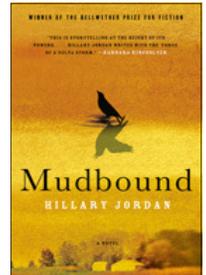
The water you use from November through March determines your sewer rate for the immediately following April 1 through March 31. Sewer rates are a combination of a \$10.52 base rate and an additional \$2.83 per 1,000 gallons. The average of those five months of metered water usage is taken to calculate the monthly rate to charge for sewer.

If five month average water use/month is:	The sewer rate will be:
1,000	\$13.35 per month
5,000	\$24.67 per month
10,000	\$38.82 per month

Hailey Public Library

November 16 Book Discussion

In the winter of 1946, Henry McAllan moves his wife, Laura from their comfortable home in Memphis to a remote cotton farm in the Mississippi Delta. While Henry works the land he loves, Laura struggles to raise their two young children in a crude shack with no plumbing or electricity. When it rains the waters rise up and bury the bridge to town, stranding the family in a sea of mud.



In the midst of family struggles, two young men from World War II return home to work the land. Jamie McAllan is a handsome, delightful and charming young man but haunted by his memories of combat. Ronsel Jackson is the oldest son of the black tenant farmers who lived on the farm, has come home from fighting the Nazis with the shine of a war hero, only to face far more personal battles against the ingrained bigotry of his own country. It is the unlikely friendship of these brothers-in-arms that drives this powerful novel to its unyielding conclusion.

Books are available at the Hailey Public Library. For more information please contact Sandy at 788-2036.



**Join Us For Storytime at
Hailey Public Library!**

www.haileypubliclibrary.org

***Wednesday *Storytime* at 10:30 (3 to 5 years)**

***Friday at 10:30 *Toddler Tales* (18 to 36 months)
Parent Supervision and Participation Required**

Historic Preservation

Hailey Wins First Grant Towards Rodeo Interpretive Exhibit

The City of Hailey Historic Preservation Commission has been awarded a \$2,500 Idaho State Historical Society community grant that will be used to research the history of Hailey’s rodeo. The result of the research will be a report with recommendations of stories, documents, artifacts and photographs to be used in an interpretive exhibit at the new Hailey Rodeo Park. The research will also identify potential oral history interviewees. Florence Blanchard is the project historian.

Hailey has identified three grants to assist with funding of the interpretive exhibit; the historical society grant is the first of these three, and allows the research phase of the project to proceed. Future phases will include exhibit final concept, preliminary design, final design, fabrication and installation, all of which are contingent on securing additional funding from the identified granting agencies.

The interpretive exhibit is envisioned as a museum-quality exhibit that preserves, celebrates and communicates the history of one of Hailey’s, and the West’s, most valuable cultural assets: the rodeo. The rodeo is an icon of western culture, and the exhibit is an opportunity to document and

explore the role the Hailey rodeo has played in Hailey society, in Idaho history and in the larger context of the American West.

NOVEMBER EVENTS

1ST THURSDAY IN HAILEY
November 4, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Carbonate St. between Main and 1st Ave.
Details: 788-3484
www.haileyidaho.com

TURKEY TROT FUN RUN & WALK
November 25, 10:00 a.m.
Bare lot north of the BCRD Aquatic Center
Details: 720-5110

HIGHLIGHTED MEETING

Idaho Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing. This hearing is being conducted to give citizens an opportunity to comment on the city’s grant application for downtown River Street improvements. At the regular City Council meeting, November 8, 5:30 p.m., City Hall upstairs meeting room.



OUR EARTH

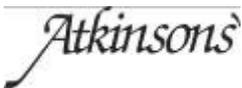
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Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Atkinsons' Market Keeps it Green

Atkinsons' Market, a *Just Bag It!* project partner, has consistently supported and practiced environmental conservation for decades. So it's no surprise that *Just Bag It!* has inspired new ideas in the store.



One of the noticeable changes is increased awareness on the part of Atkinsons' checkers. Now, when a customer makes a small purchase, the checker asks if a bag is needed rather than automatically providing one. This is a small change that adds up over time. Atkinsons' has also installed recycling bins for newspaper, glass and plastic for store operations and employee use. As a result, not only is the store recycling more material, but many employees are bringing items from home to recycle.



Atkinsons' is offering two new reusable bags to customers. One is a sturdy, large shopper, with a custom design by local Judy Stoltzfus. This attractive and useful bag is made with recycled content and is available for \$2.50. Atkinsons' is also offering a newly designed, medium-sized green bag for \$1.

Atkinsons' does a terrific job of tracking bag use data. Year-to-date, the store has achieved a 16% increase in the number of customers shopping with reusable bags. Monica Atkinson said, "It's thanks to our customers that we are able to make these improvements. Their willingness to shop with reusable bags makes a big difference."

Atkinsons' continues to find ways to reduce, reuse and recycle. A recent fluorescent tube lighting retrofit resulted in a 15% reduction in the power bill. LED lights are now being considered for the recessed fixtures. And suggestions from customers are always welcome.

Atkinsons' has served the Wood River Valley since 1956. For years, the store has donated to the Environmental Resource Center when a customer shops with reusable bags. The total for 2008-09? More than \$14,000 towards environmental conservation. Now that's green!

This article is the second in a series featuring Just Bag It! partners.

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Energy in Municipal Buildings

City Buildings to Receive Energy Analysis and Retrofit

The same grant that funded the Community Audit and Retrofit Rebate Program (CARRP), included funds for some of the participating governments' buildings to receive an energy analysis and retrofit. In the next few months City Hall, the Library, the Street Shop, the Wastewater Treatment Facility, and the city's park building will each receive an energy analysis to determine where improvements can be made to reduce yearly energy expenses. The grant will also cover a portion of the construction costs for upgrades and retrofits. These future improvements are in addition to retrofits that occurred at City Hall in 2007 when the city worked with Idaho Power and received partial financing to replace thermostats and inefficient lighting with more efficient models. To date the city has saved almost \$65,000 on power and natural gas bills as a result of the previous retrofits. The city hopes to further increase the amount of money saved with the next round of retrofits. These savings can then be spent on other worthwhile programs and services.

Sustainable Building Fact

Energy Star homes are 15% more energy efficient and have reported up-front cost increases of 0-1%.

- Kentucky Office of Energy Policy