

partnered with the city: the Building Material Thrift Store, the Environmental Resources Center, and Mountain Rides.



The Challenge, which started in March 2011, includes many projects that are funded in part by the EPA and with contributions of time and resources from the sub-awardees and other numerous partners involved in one or more of the Challenge's projects.

The various programs and projects include the following:

- A downtown bike share system and retrofit of all Main Street lights with energy efficient lamps.
- A green building demonstration to LEED certify the Interpretive Center at the Rodeo Park.
- A continuation of the Community Audit and Retrofit Rebate Program (CARRP), plus a renewable energy rebate for solar, small scale wind, and geothermal systems.
- A construction recycling pilot program
- A continuation of *Just Bag It!* A plastic bag source reduction program.
- A deconstruction and material salvage program that enhances the Building Material Thrift Store's operations and provides community workshops.
- An extensive education and outreach program that includes the production of a film which will document the Challenge as well as the development of websites, brochures, fact sheets, community workshops, and other materials for each program.
- A full time city Sustainability Coordinator whose duties include managing the Challenge and other grants recently obtained by Hailey, working on a number of other community wide initiatives, and addressing and promoting sustainability of the City of Hailey's operations and practices.

Solid Waste

Yard Waste Clean-Up Day

The City of Hailey and Clear Creek Disposal are offering the opportunity for easy disposal of the season's garden waste. On Saturday, May 21

decomposable materials may be dropped at the Park & Ride lot at the corner of River and Bullion from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Branches must be cut into maximum three-foot lengths and plastic bags will not be accepted. If May 21 is not convenient, please use the Ohio Gulch Transfer Station's allowance of one free truckload of yard waste per week at no cost.

Using this service can help keep the gulches adjacent to town free of yard waste and other undesirable materials. Any questions may be directed to Clear Creek Disposal at 726-9600 or the Ohio Gulch Transfer Station at 788-2351.

The Building Material Thrift Store is Tearin' it Down and Rippin' It Up!

As part of the Hailey Community Climate Challenge, the Building Material Thrift Store (BMTS) will present *Tearin' it Down*, a workshop on May 19th from 6:30-7:30pm in the City Hall Meeting Room. *Tearin' it Down* is a community workshop, open to all, to share the financial and environmental benefits of material salvage and reuse as well as showcase some of the high end pieces the BMTS has recovered in the past and ways in which materials have been reused in local home improvement and construction projects.



The Building Material Thrift Store's new forklift in action.

The BMTS offers salvaged building materials donated by others. You name it, they've got it—appliances, windows, flooring, doors, cabinets, furniture, etc. And if they don't have it, they'll keep an eye out for you and call you when they get something that matches your request. The BMTS also offers deconstruction services and salvaged material pick up.

When you donate items to the BMTS you save with a tax deductible donation, reduced landfill tipping fees, and free item pick up by the BMTS. When you choose to reuse items in a home improvement project or repurpose items in a creative way, you save money by purchasing used and you save natural resources by eliminating the need to buy new.



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Message from the Editor

You may notice a change in this month's edition of the newsletter. The section previously titled *Our Earth* that has accompanied *Our Town* since April 2007, is no longer a separate section, but has been integrated within *Our Town*. Sustainability topics and projects have become such an integral part of the city's operations and community's culture, that we felt it was appropriate that the newsletter reflect this integration as well.

Around Town

Arbor Day Celebration May 7

The Hailey Tree Committee announced that Arbor Day in Hailey will be celebrated on Saturday, May 7th from 11:00 to 1:00 at Hop Porter Park. Festivities will include food and drink, an "Ask an Arborist" booth staffed by local certified arborists, fun for the kids including a bouncy house and, of course, tree planting demonstrations and lots of useful tree information for all. Hailey is also celebrating a transplanting effort involving moving trees from the Rodeo Grounds re-development site to Hop Porter Park. Seedlings of Douglas Fir and Norway Maple will be distributed free of charge while supplies last.



June 2009 Hop Porter Park - a volunteered tree pruning and removal project in progress.

Memorial Day Weekend Festivities

This year's Memorial Day Weekend celebration in Hailey will be unprecedented as traditional events unfold along with the opening of the remodeled Idaho National Guard Armory facility.

The Annual Memorial Day Ceremony honoring fallen soldiers will be held at the Hailey Cemetery at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 30, 2011 (the cemetery will be decorated from May 27-30th). This traditional event is again being coordinated by Maggie Springer, who was

awarded a Distinguished Service Medal from Brigadier General Alan C. Gayhart of the Idaho National Guard last August. The coveted award was due in part to Maggie's work in revitalizing this important community Memorial Day Ceremony.

The Idaho National Guard will, through the course of the weekend, be celebrating its new presence in Hailey. After an 18-month, \$1.26 million remodel, the Idaho National Guard's Hailey Readiness Center (Armory) will hold an extended opening ceremony. Schedule of events:

Saturday, May 28th

Noon Ribbon cutting with Mayor Rick Davis and Idaho Army National Guard Commander Brig. Gen. Alan Gayhart (refreshments provided). Event includes:

- Speakers and a 'remember ceremony' for prisoners of war and those missing in action from all conflicts.
- Unveiling of a 10 ft. tall x 30 ft. wide historical mural, done by Ralph Harris and volunteers from the local community, depicting soldiers from the Revolutionary War through the present time.

1-7pm Open house at the Armory with military vehicle and equipment displays, a weapons simulator, a rock climbing wall and a 'bouncy house' for youth.

7-10pm Dance to the Idaho National Guard's 25th Army Band rock combo at the Armory.

Sunday, May 29th

11am-4 pm Open house at the Armory with military vehicle and equipment displays, a weapons simulator, a rock climbing wall and a 'bouncy house' for youth.

Monday, May 30th

11- noon Annual Memorial Day ceremony at Hailey Cemetery.

12:30-2pm Retired Col. Gail Halvorsen, the "Candy Bomber" of the Berlin Airlift in 1948-1949 will be the guest speaker at the Armory.

Calendar

Important Dates

City Council.....05/09/11, 05/23/11
Hailey Arts Commission.....05/05/11
Historic Preservation Commission.....05/31/11
Parks & Lands Board05/03/11
P&Z Commission.....05/16/11
Tree Committee.....05/12/11
Urban Renewal Agency05/09/11
Memorial Day (city offices closed)..... 05/30/11

May is Bike Month!

Get your bike tuned up and ready.....

- May 16-20 Bike Week
- May 20 Bike to Work Day
- May 21 Bike Swap @ Hailey Sturtevant's w/ free Bike Maintenance Sessions presented by Sturtevant's and the City of Hailey @ 11:00 am or 2:00 pm



Mountain Rides celebrates Bike Week by kicking off the 11th Annual Smart Moves Challenge—walk, bike, carpool, vanpool, bus—win prizes by logging all of your trips between May 16 and August 12 on a Trip Tracker or go paperless on Rideshareonline. For more info contact Carrie at 788-RIDE x103 or carrie@mountainrides.org.

Tips for Safe Riding:

1. Follow the Rules of the Road

- Ride with traffic and obey the same laws as motorists, including stop signs, lights, and lane markings.
- Use the rightmost lane that heads in the same direction that you are traveling—riding against traffic can be tragically unsafe.
- Always check behind you before changing position and use hand and arm signals.

2. Be Visible

- Ride where drivers can see you.
- Wear brightly colored clothing. At night, use a white front light and red rear light or reflector.

3. Be Predictable

- Don't swerve between parked cars.
- Wave or nod and make eye contact with motorists to be sure they know you are there—if they don't react they may not see you!
- Riding on the sidewalk may make it harder for drivers to see you, especially if you are riding against the flow of traffic.

4. Anticipate Conflicts

- Be aware of traffic around you and be prepared to take evasive action—be extra alert at intersections.
- Learn braking and turning techniques to avoid crashes.

5. Wear a Helmet

- Make sure that the helmet fits on top of your head, not tipped back or forward and replace it after a crash or any impact to your helmet, visible or not.

The benefits of riding a bicycle—whether for utilitarian or recreational purposes—can be expressed in terms of improved environmental and personal health, safer streets, enhanced quality of life and economic rewards. For more information check out www.bicyclinginfo.org.

Public Works Department

Reminder: Odd/Even Watering Effective May 1st

With the lawn and garden irrigation season beginning, the City of Hailey Public Works Department reminds all citizens of the requirement to observe odd-even dates and watering time restrictions for irrigation. This law – enacted to preserve our precious water resources – is upheld by using the following process when a violation occurs.

- **1st Violation** - Door knob hanger with the violation marked
- **2nd Violation** - Written violation letter from the City of Hailey
- **3rd Violation** - Water turn off at the property with no further notice and a \$100 fee to have the water service reinstated.

When Can I Water?

- Even numbered addresses water on even numbered days.
- Odd numbered addresses water on odd numbered days.
- 31st of each month, no one waters.
- Must water before 10:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m.



Any questions may be directed to the Public Works Department at 788-9830, ext 22.

Woodside Boulevard Project Update

In an unexpected turn of events, the recent federal spending debate has had a direct impact on the local Woodside Boulevard improvement project, putting the project funding at risk.

In an effort to preserve the funding, Hailey City Council met April 7 to finalize the city's work to meet new, recent Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements to secure the project's \$3.5 million Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER II) grant funds.

The TIGER II grant money was successfully secured for Hailey on Friday, April 8, assuring the opportunity for the Woodside Boulevard improvements to move forward.

Two key points to know about the process leading up to the April 8 obligation of grant funds:

- New FHWA requirements meant the city had to submit engineering plans for those portions of the project for which the city hoped to receive funding.
- To ensure that *all* of the TIGER II funds were obligated, the city worked closely with its consultants to submit plans for the *entire* project.

Completing the necessary steps to secure the entire \$3.5 million grant changes the project approach and schedule in three ways:

- The project team has until July 6 to finalize detailed engineering plans in preparation for advertising the entire project for contractor bids. The entire project includes a roundabout, traffic signal, roadway improvements, bike lanes, sidewalks, rolled curb/gutter and a landscape zone.
- The project will be constructed over three years. This is modified from a two-year schedule. The traffic signal will be the only component constructed in 2011.
- The project will be released for contractor bid as a single package. Originally, four bid packages were anticipated. To meet new FHWA funding requirements, a single bid package will be released within the 90-day timeframe after funds are obligated. Interested firms can contact Tom Hellen, Hailey Public Works Director.

In the coming weeks, the project team will be working directly with Woodside Boulevard residents and property owners as details are finalized.

For more information, please visit www.haileycityhall.org.

Local Artists Selected for Woodside Boulevard Bicycle Racks

Three local artists – Mark Sheehan, Jason Georgiades and Nate Galpin – have been commissioned to design, fabricate and install nine one-of-a-kind bicycle racks for the Woodside Boulevard improvements project. The unique racks will be installed at Mountain Rides transit stops along the corridor.

Library

Learn Another Language

The library is pleased to announce that it now offers the *Mango Languages* online language-learning system to its patrons! The program is accessible remotely via the internet using your HPL card by going to www.haileypubliclibrary.org or www.mangolanguages.com. The program may also be utilized within the library, without a card. *Mango languages* has 34 foreign languages and 15 English

as a second language. Each lesson combines real situations and audio from native speakers with simple, clear instructions.

2011 Summer Reading
ONE WORLD, MANY STORIES
Registration will be the week of
June 13th-18th only!



Call Hailey Public Library at 788-2036, or visit website www.haileypubliclibrary.org for more information.

Community Development Department

Zoning Reminder—RVs

At this time of year the city often hears complaints from neighbors about RVs parked in residential areas. Each residence can have one (1) RV parked outside, provided that the vehicle is kept vacant (it can't be lived in). Only two (2) ATVs may be parked outside of a residence and those vehicles are required to be screened from view by fencing or landscaping.

Special Meetings & Events

1. **Public Hearing, Woodside Boulevard Proposed Landscaping Alternatives**
 - May 9, 5:30 p.m., City Hall Meeting Room
2. **Tearin' it Down with the Building Material Thrift Store**
 - May 19th, 6:30pm, City Hall Meeting Room.
3. **Club de Lectores en Español –“La Casa de los Espiritus” Escrito por: Isabel Allende**
 - Jueves, 26 de Mayo a las 6:30PM Biblioteca Publica de Hailey
4. **Hailey Memorial Day Ceremony**
 - May 30th, 11am, at the Hailey Cemetery
Call 788-0139 for more info.

Sustainability

Hailey Community Climate Challenge

Over 300 communities applied for the US EPA's Climate Showcase Grant in 2010; of those only 22 applicants were selected, including the City of Hailey. There are three grant sub-awardees who have