

OUR TOWN

Sustaining Hailey's Community

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Message from the Mayor

No Parking Except in Designated Areas on Woodside Boulevard

Take a bicycle ride or a stroll on Woodside Boulevard. The new bike lanes and sidewalks on both sides of the



road are fabulous! The safety of bicyclists, pedestrians and motorists will be vastly improved by the work being completed this summer, but only if the new boulevard is used correctly. Woodside Boulevard is designed for parking only in designated areas.

NO PARKING:

- In the bicycle lanes,
- In the bus pull-outs,
- On the landscape strip,
- On or extending over sidewalks.

Designated parking areas have been developed in key locations along the boulevard. Only these areas and/or private property may be used for parking.



Hailey Police, under direction of the mayor, will be diligently enforcing the parking restrictions effective immediately. Visitors to Woodside as well as residents will be subject to penalty if parking restrictions are not observed.



Calendar

Important dates

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City Council	10/01/12, 10/15/12
Hailey Arts Commission	
Historic Preservation Commission	
Hailey Library Board	10/17/12
Parks & Lands Board	10/02/12
P&Z Commission	10/09/12
Tree Committee	10/11/12
Urban Renewal Agency	10/17/12
Election Day	

Events in Hailey

Farmers' and Artists' Market

Thursdays, June 14 - October 11, 2012 from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. at Main St. between Sturtevant's and Bank of America for more details: 720-7805

Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation Ski Swap

Saturday, October 6, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. at Hailey Armory

Wood River Land Trust Bow Bridge Run and Bridge Dedication October 6, 2012 - Big Wood River at Lion's Park/Draper Preserve. Activities begin at 10:00 a.m. Please, NO DOGS. Call 788-3947 for more information.

The Advocates – Community Awareness of Domestic Violence Saturday, October 6, 2012, from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at Farmers Market Lot

16th Annual Trailing of the Sheep Festival *w/Amplified Sound* October 13 2012, 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. McKercher Park

UCF 19 Boxing

Saturday, October 27 2012, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at WRHS Gym

Hailey Halloween Hoopla

Wednesday, October 31, 2012. 3:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. on Main Street between River and $1^{\rm st}$ Ave.

Wicked Spud w/ Amplified Sound

Wednesday's from 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

City Council Meeting Highlights October 15, 2012

- Mobility Design (formerly known as Complete Streets)
- Contract with State of Idaho Department of Building Safety for contract building official services for Hailey
- 15-Minute Parking in Downtown Business District



Community Services - Hailey Library

2012 Hailey Garden Tour Nets \$5000

The 2012 Hailey Garden Tour, sponsored by The Friends to benefit the Hailey Public Library, was a great success. Under intermittent clouds and shady trees, visitors strolled or biked between eleven residential and seven community or commercial gardens. Members of the Wood River Community Orchestra entertained the crowd at various venues and local businesses were on hand to provide useful information about gardening. Over \$5,000 was raised, the most in recent memory, including over fifty dollars contributed by our persuasive and cute lemonade vendors.

A Garden Cruiser bike, a Red Flyer wagon, and two yards of Winn's Compost were raffled off. The Friends could not have accomplished this without the help of many volunteers, greeters, expert gardeners, musicians, garden hosts, local businesses, artists, planners, and the Library Staff. Thank you to everyone who participated.

Hailey Library Book and Bake Sale

The Friends' next event will be the annual fall Book and Bake Sale October 25th-27th at the Armory. Book donations are currently being accepted at the Library. For more information about the Book and Bake Sale or to donate baked goods, please contact Geegee Lowe at 720-7395 or email haileylibraryfriends@gmail.com

Family Friendly Community

Dad's at Hailey Library

A new baby changing station has been installed in the men's restroom at the Hailey Public Library. Dads, enjoy the library with your babies and toddlers!



<u>Utility Rates - Water and Wastewater</u>

Rate Increase With October End Bill

The Hailey City Council adopted a rate increase to take effect on October 1, 2012. The first billing for metered water and wastewater use under the new rates will be sent out at the end of October.

October Events at the Hailey Public Library

Our website <u>www.HaileyPublicLibrary.org</u>. is *loaded* and updated with detailed information about upcoming events. Take a look!

Wednesdays & Fridays, 2-3 pm: Open Computer Labs allow you to enjoy one-on-one assistance with your computer questions and tasks. Learn more by visiting our website.

October 10 at 3:30 pm: *Idaho Buckaroo Project* puts on an enriching presentation of photographs, horsehair rope making and more to share and inspire a love of the traditional ranching lifestyle.

October 13 at 2:00 pm: *Ghost Hunters!* Find out what it's like to be a professional ghost hunter when the International Paranormal Reporting Group returns to the library to share expertise and field experiences.

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October 18 at 6:00 pm: Adult Book Discussion. This year's "Let's Talk About It" book club seeks the humanity in science and technology. Scholar Laura Zuckerman leads the first discussion. Thank you to our sponsors: ICfL, U.S. Bank, and IHC.

October 23 at 6:00 pm: Food, Food, Food! is a three-part fall program series. This month we're "Getting Jerky with It". Join Brad Gelskey and John Vladimiroff to learn more about drying foods and making jerky.

October 25: Get *zombified* at our ghoulish Teen Read Week celebration. This year's theme is "It Came from the Library!" Watch our website for time and activities.

October 25th-27th: The Friends host an annual Book and Bake Sale at the Arrmory. Hours are 9:00-6:00 Thursday & Friday 9:00-3:00 on Saturday.

For more information, please visit our website. Donations of books and baked goods accepted!

City ordinances require rates to be adjusted at the beginning of each budget year. Rates are calculated based on usage, number of accounts, the annual budget, depreciation of assets and inflation. The budget for the Water Fund was increased for upcoming Fiscal Year 2013 by 15%. Installed over 40 years ago, the Hailey Water System maintenance now includes fixing leaks and breaks in the aging water lines. A household using 6000 gallons per month will see their water bill increase from \$8.65 to \$9.82 per month, which includes an 11.7% increase in the base rate. Hailey's Wastewater Treatment Plant is operating under a new EPA Discharge Permit, and higher costs for tighter treatment parameters will require more resources, chemicals, and operational adjustments. Eventually even changes to the treatment plant itself may be necessary to stay within the NPDES permit parameters. A 6000 gallon per month household will see an increase in the wastewater bill from \$30.68 to \$37.23 per month, which includes a 21% increase in the base rate.

Celebrations!

Bow Bridge of the Big Wood River

Join Wood River Land Trust for a Community Celebration on Sat., October 6th from 10:00am -1:00pm to celebrate the completion of the BOW BRIDGE OF THE BIG WOOD RIVER!

Activities include:

Fun Run: Blaine County Recreation District (BCRD) and Shu's Idaho Running Co. is organizing a fun run through Colorado Gulch and Draper Preserve trails. The first 50 people to pre-register at BCRD on Fri., Oct. 5th will receive a free Sigg water bottle! Registration the day of starts at 9:00am-9:45am;

Brunch and Refreshments;

Archery Demonstrations with *High Desert Sports*;

Kids' Activities with Environmental Resource Center;

Music;

Nature Walks.

Please note, leashed dogs only. For questions and more information contact Jill Brown at 208-788-3947 or <u>jbrown@woodriverlandtrust.org</u>.



BOW BRIDGE OF THE BIG WOOD RIVER near LIONS PARK and Wood River Land Trust DRAPER PRESERVE

Emergency Services

National Fire Prevention Week

Since 1922, Fire Prevention Week has been observed during the second week of October. It is the longest running public health and safety observance on record.

During the first two weeks of October the Hailey Fire Department visits the preschools and public schools in the city to provide education to the children on general safety, fire safety and home evacuation.

Hailey Arts Commission Hosts Informational Breakfast for Artist

Purpose of the breakfast: To identify what support artists need from the Hailey Arts Commission and to discuss current commission activities and plans.

Date & Time: October 11, 2012 from 8:00-9:30 AM

Place: Hailey Community Campus, Fox Acres Road



Preschool children will have a chance to meet firefighters and see the gear we wear and the equipment we use. This helps the child to be familiar with firefighters and to not be afraid of firefighters. Kindergarten kids get a little more in-depth into being safe around fire and home escape,

stop drop and roll and not to be afraid of firefighters. 2nd graders come to the station where they learn about home escape, kitchen safety. They also take a tour of the fire station to see what firefighters do when we are not putting out fires. 4th graders are taken in groups into the fire safety simulator where they will learn about how smoke moves throughout a house, get the chance to escape a smoke filled house and learn what to do when they can't get out.

Be prepared for your kids to come home from school to discuss evacuation plans and to remind you to check your smoke alarms. If you do not have smoke alarms in your home contact the Hailey Fire Department at 788-3147 and we will come install them in your home.

Community Service

Adopt a Park Program Contributors

Local businesses are donating their services this year to care for Hailey City Parks. We are so grateful for those businesses contributing to the care of Hailey parks, which include the following:

Clearwater Landscaping	McKercher Park
Hailey Co-Ed Softball Leagu	ueLion's Park
Hailey Park Foundation	.Fox Demonstration
	Garden
Lily & Fern LLC	Jimmy's Garden
Mountain Lifestyle	Park &Ride Lot
Swenke Landscaping	Skatepark
Webb Landscape Inc	Hop Porter Park
Whitehead's Landscaping	Balmoral Park
Wood River Baseball	Keefer Park
Sawtooth United Soccer	Keefer Park
Mountain West Bank	Hop Porter Park



Employees of Mountain West Bank recently conducted a maintenance work-day at the play ground at Hop Porter Park. Built by the community in 1998, this play structure is part of the Hop Porter Park legacy that continues, year after year, to earn Valley's Best Awards. Hop Porter Park earned gold as the 2012 Valley's Best Park/Local Garden!



Thank
You!
All 2012
Park
Supporters

Elections

1% Increase in Local Option Tax Ballot Measure Set for November 6 Election

The city councils of Hailey, Ketchum, and Sun Valley have all voted to put a temporary (5 year) additional 1% Local Option Tax (LOT) measure on the November 6, 2012 election ballot. The additional revenue garnered from the tax, if adopted by voters, would be dedicated to commercial air service at Friedman Memorial Airport. The voters in each city will decide on this economic investment initiative which was brought to local cities by Fly Sun Valley Alliance. The supporters testified to the Hailey City Council that the initiative will bring more flights, more business, more jobs and increased property values to our community.

In Hailey, the 1% LOT will be added to rental cars and lodging sales only, as the Hailey City Council has responded to public comments to structure the tax such that visitors will pay most of this tax, not local residents. Currently, rental cars and lodging are taxed at 3%; if voters approve this measure that amount would go up to 4%. The alcohol by-the-drink tax of 2% and the restaurant food tax of 1% will NOT be changed through this ballot measure.

The purpose of the 1% LOT is to provide funding for Minimum Revenue Guarantees to airlines and for promotion of commercial air service.

We encourage voters to take the time to become informed on the pros and cons of this issue.

VOTING INFORMATION

Absentee ballots are available from the Blaine County Elections office. Under consolidated elections law, Blaine County will be handling all voter registration and election ballots prior to and during the November 6, 2012 general election. Other detailed election information is available from the following:

election@co.blaine.id.us

Phone 208-788-5510 Ext. 1131 206 1st Ave South, Suite 200

Fax 208-788-5501 Hailey, Idaho 83333

Acceptable forms of photo identification needed to register or vote include any one of the following:

- An Idaho driver's license or photo Identification Card.
- A U.S. passport or Federal photo identification card.
- A tribal photo identification card.
- A current student photo ID, issued by an Idaho high school or post secondary education institution