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“Hailey Arts & Historic Preservation Commission Unveils 20 Historical Interpretive Plaques on Historic Buildings in Hailey”

The Hailey Arts & Historic Preservation Committee (HAHPC) has recently completed a Historical Interpretive Plaques project which showcases the rich history of the City through its historical architecture. The HAHPC identified 20 historical buildings in the Hailey downtown area, researched their history, and then worked with local sign maker, Andrew Hawley of Hawley Graphics, to produce and mount the historical plaques.

On August 26 at 4:00p.m., the HAHPC and City officials will hold a special ceremony to commemorate the completion of the project. The public is invited to attend the event and take a guided walking tour of a few of the plaques with local resident historians, Joan Davies and Robert Lonning.

The Historical Interpretive Plaques are located on the following buildings, some of which are on the National Register of Historic Places*:

1. Bullion Block Site/Werthheimer Building (Luke’s Pharmacy) – 101 S. Main
2. J.J. Tracy Building (Lone Star) – 111 S. Main
3. Golden Rule Building (El Toro Mexican Restaurant and Café Della) - 103 S. Main
4. Commercial Building (Valley Carpet & Tile/Taste of Thai) – 108 N. Main
5. Liberty Theatre - 110 N. Main
6. J.C. Fox Building (Hailey City Hall) – 115 S. Main
7. *W.H. Watt Bank (Christopher & Company) – 120 N. Main
8. Harris Building (Windermere Real Estate) – 100 N. Main
9. Assay Office (Emmanuel Episcopal Church Thrift Store) – 19 E. Bullion
10. *Fox-Worswick Home (Wood River Land Trust) – 119. E. Bullion
11. *Emmanuel Episcopal Church – 101 S. 2nd Ave.
12. *Riley Corner & Hailey Masonic Lodge – Bullion Street and S. 2nd Ave.
13. *Hailey Community Baptist Church – 202 S. 2nd Ave.
14. Alturas Courthouse (Blaine County Courthouse) – 206 S. 1st Ave.
15. *Ezra Pound Home (Sun Valley Center for the Arts) – 314 S. 2nd Ave.
16. *St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church – 315 S. 1st Ave.
17. US Forest Service Buildings/Hailey Ranger Station – 308 S. River
18. Rialto Hotel (Barkin’ Basement) – 201 S. Main
19. Inchausti Home/Basque Boarding House (Cornerstone Realty) – 19 W. Bullion
20. Alturas (Hiawatha) Hotel site (Atkinsons’ Market) – 93 E. Croy

The mission of the Hailey Arts & Historic Preservation Commission (HAHPC) is to “ensure the arts and history are valued as an integral part of Hailey and to enhance the culture of the Hailey community by providing leadership, advocacy and support for the arts and history”.

Daniel Hansen, Chair of the HAHPC said, “Honoring and celebrating our history is an important aspect of our community. This Commission spent months of volunteer work on this project and we are excited to add another unique asset to the City that can be enjoyed by residents and visitors alike”.



Andy Hawley of Hawley Graphics is installing one of many narrative plaques in Hailey.