



CITY OF HAILEY

OUR TOWN, OUR HOME

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Welcome March!

On February 27th, I presented my 2023 State of the City Report. Much like the president's State of the Union address, Hailey's State of the City celebrates the community, recognizes accomplishments, identifies current challenges, and sets the stage for citywide goals in the year ahead.

Hailey is the greatest place I know to live and work, and for one primary reason: the community. Our small size has allowed us to know each other as neighbors and to operate with a small-town, friendly approach. I value above all our sense of community and shared neighborly attitude. I know that Hailey is growing, and I welcome our new citizens

as well as the old. We hope to teach those of you that are new about our lifestyle and values in a small, mountain town. Living here requires a degree of self-reliance that might not be needed in a larger urban area. I am grateful that we cooperate, help each other and try to be good neighbors.

What have we accomplished over the last year? A lot! Read more here to see the accomplishments from the past year, the challenges we face, and our goals across all City Departments:

tinyurl.com/2023HaileyStateoftheCity


Mayor Martha Burke

JOB OPENINGS

Wastewater Division Laboratory Technician: Help ensure our Wastewater Treatment Plant is operating to State standards. Operates, cleans, calibrates, and maintains laboratory equipment and instruments. Full-time, entry to advanced level Wastewater Laboratory Tech. Open until filled. Wage DOE.

Parks Division Manager: Serves as the lead specialist for more than 15 well-used and beloved Hailey Parks. Ensures quality, efficiency, and maintains overall health of park system. Performs administrative, supervisory, and field duties. Full-time; open until filled. Wage DOE.

Street Equipment Operator: \$1,000 Signing Bonus after min. of five months employment. Join our dedicated crew creating a safe and efficient street system in Hailey! Full-time and part time, seasonal and permanent positions available. Operates heavy equipment or trucks, performs maintenance and construction of City streets, sidewalks, and related infrastructure. Must have valid driver's license. Wage \$25-\$36 DOE.

Visit haileycityhall.org for full job descriptions and application information. The City of Hailey is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



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NEW BUSINESS CORNER



MR. DEE

416 N Main St

Sushi, seafood, steak & martini bar

Owner: Taveesak Chanthasuthisombut



NORTH CANYON

14 W Galena Street

ARTICLES



PARKS MASTER PLANNING

The City of Hailey is embarking on Parks Master Planning! We are starting with an examination of three parks in and near downtown: Hailey Town Square, Hop Porter Park and Lions Park. These important parks make up a series of connected downtown and “near town” park experiences. Join us at a March Hailey City Council meeting (check the agenda online for final date) for a presentation on these three important parks.



LONGTERM WASTEWATER FACILITY PLANNING

The City of Hailey’s Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) was built in 2000. Most facilities last 20 years before they start to experience major problems that could have environmental, public health, and public safety issues. For the city to pursue a high class of water quality and preserve our drinking water source we will need to secure funding for the two highest priority improvements recommended in the 2021 Facility Planning Study: Aging Infrastructure-Headworks and Membrane Bio Reactors (MBRs). **Learn more about Wastewater Long Term Planning here:** tinyurl.com/longtermwastewaterplan



DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN SURVEY

Hailey’s Urban Renewal Agency is launching a Downtown Master Plan to guide the continued growth and development of Downtown Hailey- and they need your feedback! Please provide your input to assess the current pedestrian experience on Main and River Streets; to gain an understanding of the unique culture and identity of Downtown Hailey; and to gain a broader community vision for the future of Downtown.

Use the QR code or link below to access the survey: surveymonkey.com/r/N823J52



PUBLIC MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CITY COUNCIL:

Mon, Mar. 13 5:30 PM, Mon, Mar. 27 5:30 PM

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

Mon, Mar. 6 5:30 PM, Tues, Mar. 20 5:30 PM

URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY: Date TBD,
11:00 AM

ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION

COMMISSION: Tues, Mar. 14 3:30 PM

TREE COMMITTEE: Thurs, Mar. 16 6:00 PM

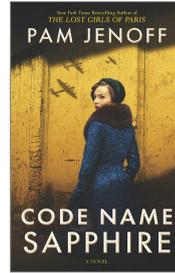
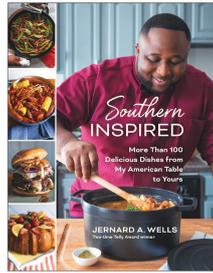
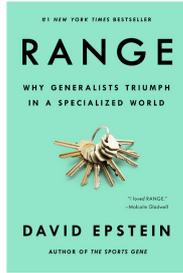
PARKS AND LANDS BOARD: Wed, Mar. 22
5:00 PM

LIBRARY BOARD: Tues, Mar. 21 5:45 PM

Cover to Cover

Hailey Public Library Newsletter

Authors Talk



In March, the Hailey Public Library launches Authors Talk, a free virtual series featuring conversations with bestselling, award-winning, and highly acclaimed fiction and nonfiction authors from around the world. Attend in the comfort of your own home. Simply register at <https://libraryc.org/haileypubliclibrary>

The series takes place two to three times a month and includes the opportunity to ask questions of the author. A list of upcoming events is available on HPL's virtual Authors Talk website.

The March lineup features three outstanding authors:

- **Range: Why Generalists Triumph in a Specialized World** - David Epstein, New York Times bestselling author of *Range* and *The Sports Gene*. Monday, March 13 at 11:00 AM MST.
- **Southern Inspired** - Jernard A. Wells, award-winning TV host, celebrity chef, and bestselling cookbook author of *Southern Modified* and *Southern Inspired*. Tuesday, March 21 at 2:00 PM MDT.
- **Code Name Sapphire** – Pam Jenoff, New York Times bestselling author of *The Orphan's Tale* and *The Lost Girls of Paris*. Tuesday, March 28 at 5:00 PM MST.

Authors Talk events are free and open to the public. For more information or to register, visit <https://libraryc.org/haileypubliclibrary> or call 208-788-2036.

Authors Talk is sponsored by the Friends of the Hailey Public Library.

Language Learning Opportunities

Neighborhood Spanish
Mondays, February 27-April 3,
Noon-1:00 PM

Intercambio: English/Spanish
Language Exchange
Tuesdays, 6:00-7:00 PM

Conversacion de Ingles
Viernes, 6:00-7:30 PM
Conversational English
Fridays, 6:00-7:30 PM

Tutoría de Inglés
Viernes, 5:00-6:00 PM
English Tutoring
Fridays, 5:00-6:00 PM

Upcoming Events

For more information, visit our Programs page on our website.

Story Time
Wednesdays, 11:00 AM

Teen Group
Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 PM

After School Program
Wednesdays and Fridays, 4:00-5:00 PM

Lessons from the Coop with Kristin Fletcher and Amy Mattias
Thursday, March 2; 5:30-7:00 PM

Lunch and Learn
Under the Surface – Hemingway Short Stories with Ted Dyer
Tuesdays, March 7, 14 and 21;
Noon-1:00 PM

Library Reads Book Club:
The Midnight Library—Online
Tuesday, March 14, 5:30 PM

John Rember reads from “Journals of the Plague Years”
Thursday, March 16, 5:30-7:00 PM

Knitting Circle with Patricia Lirk
Tuesday, March 21, 5:30-7:00 PM

The Amazing World of Native Bees with Linda Ries
Thursday, March 23, 5:30 – 7:00 PM

For the Love of Photography with Nils Ribi
Thursday, March 30, 5:30-7:00 PM



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PUBLIC LIBRARY

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haileypubliclibrary.org



TRAILING OF THE SHEEP FESTIVAL SEEKS 2023 POSTER ART

ARTWORK WILL SERVE AS THE
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INCLUDE SHEEP.

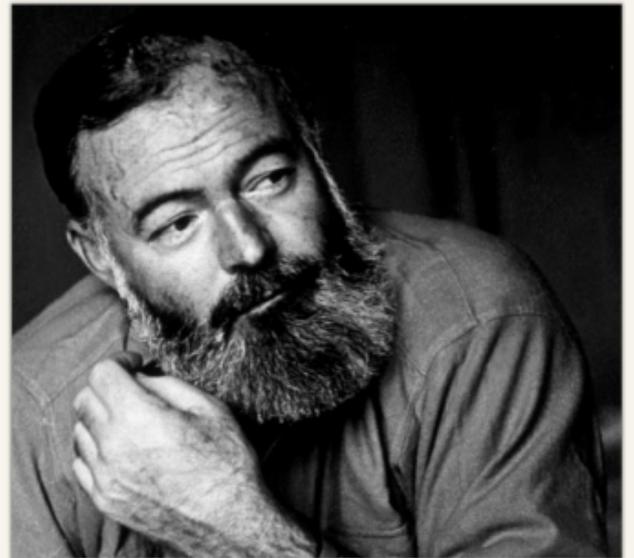
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EMAIL:
INFO@TRAILINGOFTHESHEEP.ORG



Lunch & Learn: Under the Surface Hemingway's Short Stories with Ted Dyer, MA

Learn about this famous writer and discuss three of
his Nick Adams short stories: "Indian Camp," "The
Battler," "Big Two-Hearted River."

**Tuesdays, March 7, 14 and 21;
Noon-1:00 PM
Town Center West: 116 S River St**



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PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSLETTER

- Do not walk or drive through flood waters. A car can easily be carried away in just two feet of water, and 6 inches of moving water can knock you off your feet! Do not attempt to drive or wade through deep pockets of water or running washes. Unstable banks should be avoided.

- Develop an evacuation plan for your family.
- Avoid low-lying areas. Seek shelter in the highest areas possible.

What should you do after a flood?

- Listen to the radio for emergency instructions.
- Avoid driving if possible.



2017 Flooding in Hailey

- Follow established permitting procedures for property damage repairs:

Select a contractor who is licensed in his trade. Require your contractors to obtain the proper permits for work being performed. Permits are required for any permanent improvement (including roofing, siding, additions, alterations, etc.) to a structure and for site work such as grading, filling, etc.

- Questions about permits or contractor licensing may be addressed to the City of Hailey Building Department at (208) 788-9815 x2027.

- **Recognize the natural and beneficial functions of floodplains to help reduce flooding:** Floodplains are a natural component of the environment. Understanding and protecting the natural functions of floodplains helps reduce flood damage and protect resources. When flooding spreads out across the floodplain, its energy is dissipated, which results in lower flood flows downstream, reduced erosion of the streambank and channel, deposition of sediments higher in the watershed and improved groundwater recharge. Floodplains are scenic, valued wildlife habitat, and suitable for farming. Don't pour oil, grease, pesticides or other pollutants down storm drains or into ditches or streams, so that they and the habitat they provide can continue to serve their beneficial functions.

For more information about flood safety or the NFIP, please note the following:

www.haileycityhall.org www.ready.gov/floods
www.floodsmart.gov
 NFIP: 1-888-FLOOD29

This information is provided by the City of Hailey and is applicable to properties within the limits of the City. If you reside in a jurisdiction other than the City of Hailey, contact your regulatory authority for information. Please contact the Community Development Department with questions at (208) 788-9815 x 2027 or via U.S.



2017 Flooding in Hailey



**ARE YOU PREPARED
FOR A FLOOD IN
YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?**



MANY AREAS IN HAILEY ARE IN OR NEAR A SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA.

History of Flooding in the City of Hailey. The City is susceptible to flooding of the Big Wood River and sheet flooding during unusual weather events.



2017 Flooding in Hailey

Each year as the water rises during the spring there is a potential for flooding in many areas including the Della View Subdivision area near Heagle Park, as was seen in 2006 and 2017. Quigley Creek experienced flashfloods event associated with heavy rain on frozen ground or avalanche during the winters of 1963, 2018 and 2023.

Did you know?

In a high-risk area, your home is more likely to be damaged by flood than by fire. Floods are the #1 natural disaster in the United States.

What is considered a flood?

- **A Flood is a general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of 2 or more acres of normally dry land area or of 2 or more properties from:**
 - *Overflow of inland waters; or*
 - *Unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source; or*
 - *Mudflow*

What should you do before a flood?

- **Determine if your property is located in an area subject to flooding.** The following areas have a known potential for flooding in the City of Hailey:

**Della View
Birdwood**

**Cedar Bend
Broadford Estates**

This is not a complete list of areas that are within flood zones, but rather a list of areas with documented flooding problems. If your neighborhood is not listed, your property may still be within a flood zone, as designated by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) maps. Upon request, the Community Development Department, will make free flood zone determinations for properties within the City. The building department maintains elevation certificates for many properties within the city which are also available for review.

- **Purchase flood insurance on your property.** Flooding is not covered by a standard homeowner's insurance policy and must be purchased through a separate flood insurance policy. Coverage is available for the building itself as well as for the contents of the building. The City of Hailey participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) which allows all homeowners, whether in a floodplain or not, to purchase federally backed flood insurance for all structures. Note that there is a 30-day waiting period before coverage goes into effect. More than 25 percent of NFIP claims are filed by properties located outside the floodplain, also known as the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). Contact your insurance agency

for more information and visit floodsmart.gov, the official site of the NFIP.

- **Maintain drainage channels and pipes free of obstruction and debris.** The City of Hailey performs cleaning and maintenance activities on the drainage channels and pipes in City easements & rights-of-way in accordance with an established schedule and other standard operating procedures. Residents are encouraged to assist in maintaining the drainage in their areas by removing or reporting obstructions (such as shopping carts, leaves, debris, trash, etc.). Keeping drainage channels free of obstructions reduces flooding in the event of heavy rains. By way of City ordinance, it is illegal to dump trash, leaves, landscape debris, paint, grease, or any other material into any portion of the City's drainage system. Such dumping can have devastating impacts on water quality in addition to causing flooding. To report obstructions or illegal dumping, or for questions regarding drainage system maintenance, please contact the Public Works Department at (208) 788-9830.
- **Protect your property from the hazards of flooding and wind.** Various methods may be used to minimize flooding. If the floor level of your property is lower than the "Base Flood Elevation" (elevation of the 100-year flood, based on the FEMA maps), consider elevating your structure to the Flood Protection Elevation, if possible. Brochures discussing flood proofing and other mitigation measures are available in Hailey City Hall and Hailey Public Library. If a flood is imminent, property can be protected by sandbagging areas subject to the entry of water into living spaces. The City of Hailey will make site visits to provide one-on-one advice to a property owner regarding flooding and drainage issues on private property. We also have site specific information for some parcels within Hailey. For more information, please contact the Community Development Department at (208) 788-9815 x 2027.
- **Meet improvement requirements.** The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requires that if the cost of reconstruction, additions, or other improvements to a building equals or exceeds 50% of the building's market value, then the building must meet the same construction requirements as a new building. Substantially damaged buildings must also

be brought up to the same standards. For example, a residence damaged so that the cost of repairs equals or exceeds 50% of the building's value before it was damaged must be elevated to the Flood Protection Elevation (2 feet above the base flood elevation). Please contact the Building Department at (208) 788-9815 x 2027 for more information.

- **Meet permitting requirements.** All development within the SFHA requires a Floodplain Development Permit in addition to any required building permit. Always check and fulfill permitting requirements with the Building Department at (208) 788-9815 x 2027 before you build on, alter, fill, or re-grade on any portion of your property and/or within any easement or right-of-way. Also, contact either of the numbers above to report any suspected permitting violations.

- **Keep an emergency**

supply.

Non-perishable food, water, batteries, flashlights, a manual can opener, and a battery-operated radio should be kept available.



What should you do during a flood?

- If your property is in imminent danger of flooding, please contact Idaho Power at (800) 488-6151 and/or Intermountain Gas at (877) 777-74742 to request that your power and natural gas be shut off, or for guidance on how to do it yourself. Call either organization regarding any other electrical or natural gas emergencies.
- Move all valuables, furniture, and HVAC equipment to higher areas of the dwelling to minimize damages.
- Visit www.blaineemergency.org or tune-in to local commercial radio or television stations (KECH – 95.3 FM or KSKI – 94.5 FM), or NOAA Weather Radio (frequency 162.450) for Watch and Warning Bulletins and any corresponding emergency instructions. If evacuations are called for, it is imperative that you follow instructions in the time frame noted.