

# OUR TOWN, OUR HOME

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Happy Spring!

We hope spring is coming. This has been a remarkable winter of snow and weather and I am grateful for each lengthening day and the call of returning birds. This month, we celebrate Earth Day, both with events, such as the Climate Action Coalition's Earth Fest on April 21 & 22, 2023 and by our everyday actions to care for our town. Stay tuned over the next few months as we bring forward plans for pathways, improved parks, clean water, public safety, long-term planning, access to culture and learning and other services.

At the same time, we are preparing ourselves for a possible heavy flood season, whether from melting snow or rising rivers. Please take note of our upcoming public meetings on flood preparedness. Now is the time for advance planning to ensure that you and your property are safe. We will all need to work together this spring to keep our town safe when flood waters rise. Please reach out to us at Hailey City Hall if you have any questions as we move out of winter and into spring.

Mayor Martha Burke

## **JOB OPENINGS**

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.

Temporary Streets Operator/ Maintenance, Snow Removal:

Temporary up to 6 months with potential to become full-time. Performs maintenance and construction of City streets, sidewalks, and related infrastructure. May be required to work snow removal as needed based on snowstorm frequency. Must have valid driver's license. Wage \$22-\$27 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 <u>haileycityhall.org</u> for full job descriptions and application information. The City of Hailey is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

#### **NEW BUSINESS CORNER**



#### PARTY ANIMAL VODKA

Craft vodka made in Idaho from locally sourced Russet Potatoes. Available at state liquor stores. Owner: Kate Cullen



#### **HIGHER GROUND**

Enhances quality of life through therapeutic recreation and education.

#### **ARTICLES**



#### 1% FOR HOUSING / AIR

Hailey City Council has approved a ballot measure that will **ask voters if they wish to split the existing "1% for Air" tax on the May 16th Election Day ballot.** This split would allocate 0.5% of the tax to housing for Hailey citizens and workers who are housing-burdened; the other 0.5% of the tax would continue to support commercial air service and related marketing. **No new tax would be imposed.** 

Learn more here: tinyurl.com/haileyLOTfactsheet



#### FEELS LIKE SPRING

Spring "melt out" is rapidly approaching! Be prepared for water accumulation in low-lying areas such as driveway swales. The City will focus on improved areas with storm drains but citizens need to be prepared for ponding elsewhere. It is the property owner's responsibility to address concerns regarding private driveways or ponding adjacent to their property. Celebrate this winter's water accumulation now available for our aquifer!



#### **HEADWORKS BOND FAQ**

The vital first step in our wastewater treatment process - known as Headworks- has outlived its useful life. A May 16th ballot measure will ask Hailey voters if they wish to approve a \$6 million revenue bond to be repaid over 20 years to upgrade the 22-year-old Headworks for the first time since it went into service.

Find the answers to your FAQ's here: tinyurl.com/headworksbondfag

#### **FLOOD WORKSHOPS**

Prepare for this season's snowmelt by attending one of our flood workshops. Both workshops are available in person or online and will share the same information.

WED, APRIL 19, 2023, 5:30PM, CITY HALL WED, MAY 3, 2023, 5:30PM, CITY HALL

Learn more here: tinyurl.com/floodworkshop23

#### **DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN**

The City is launching a Downtown Master Plan effort to guide continued growth and development of Downtown Hailey with the help of Urban Design firm, GGLO. A kick-off meeting with City Council, URA and Planning and Zoning is planned to be held Monday, April 10, 4:30PM at Hailey City Hall before the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting.

## **PUBLIC MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### CITY COUNCIL:

Mon, Apr. 10 4:30 PM, Mon, Apr. 24 5:30 PM

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION: Mon, Apr. 3 5:30 PM, Mon, Apr. 17 5:30 PM

URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY:

Tues Apr. 18, 11:00 AM

ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION

COMMISSION: Tues, Apr. 11 3:30 PM

TREE COMMITTEE: Thurs, Apr. 13 6:00 PM PARKS AND LANDS BOARD: Wed, Apr. 26

5:00 PM

LIBRARY BOARD: Tues, Apr. 18 5:45 PM



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#### **Commemorating Earth Day**

### **Library Exhibit to Feature Student Works of Art**

Student art focused on our wonderful and fragile planet has been displayed in the library windows every April for the past five years. During that time, we exhibited works created by kindergarten students to high school seniors. This year showcases art designed by elementary and middle school students and will be featured in the library during the month of April.



While many students express anxiety

when talking about our climate and the impacts of climate change, this year the students will be focused on small and large solutions and actions to slow the warming of our atmosphere.

Student activists are planning more Earth Day events and activities including a showing of *Biggest Little Farm* on Friday evening, April 21. The festivities continue through Saturday with a 5k race and the Earth Fest Alley Fair at Town Center West – across the alley from the library.

Come see the students' ideas and art and stay for the festival!

#### HPL celebrates National Volunteer Week, April 16-22

Hailey Public Library (HPL) salutes the contributions of our dedicated corps of volunteers, who support every facet of library services throughout the year.
Ranging in age from 13 to 75, more than 30 library volunteers collectively donate an average of 140 hours each month performing a myriad of tasks. They assist with programming, facility maintenance, shelving, new material processing, and endless special projects.



Mila Lyon has been volunteering for more than a decade. She mends our damaged books and helps out every Tuesday wherever needed.

Counted among our many volunteers are The Friends of HPL and five-Board of Trustees who all serve on a voluntary basis devoting countless hours in service to the library. Director Lyn Drewien summed it up by saying, "We simply couldn't do it without everyone."









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# **April Library Events**

For more information, visit haileypubliclibrary.org/programs/

Story Time

Wednesdays, 11:00 AM

Imagine Nation - Teen Space Thursdays, 5:30 PM

After-School Youth Program Creative Language Learning Wednesdays & Fridays 4:00 PM

> Lunch and Learn Tuesdays - Noon-1 PM

Grow Your Own Medicinal Herbs with Master Gardener Manon Gaudreau April 4

Living with Alzheimer's & Dementia with Dr. Carol Stephens April 11

Pick Your Poison - Yew! with Forensic Chemist Kat Helms April 18

Library Reads Book Club The Firekeeper's Daughter - Online Tuesday, April 11, 5:30 PM

The Early History of the SNRA with historian Tom Blanchard Thursday, April 13, 5:30 PM

Knitting Circle with Patricia Lirk Tuesday, April 18, 5:30-7:00 PM

People of the Moon - Craters of the Moon with retired Chief of Interpretation-Ted Stout Thursday, April 20, 5:30 PM

Match the Hatch Aquatic Entomology for Fly Fishing with conservationist Morgan Buckert Thursday, April 27, 5:30 PM

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

> Tutoría de inglés English Tutoring Viernes (Fridays) 5:00-6:00 PM

Conversacion de inglés Conversational English Viernes (Fridays) 6:00-7:30 PM

#### Earth Fest

Workshop and Film Friday, April 21

Earth Fest Alley Fair and 5k Run Saturday, April 22









### Fri, Apr. 21 4:00PM - 8:00PM Town Center West, 15 Croy St.

- Local Youth Activists Speak
- Community Screening of Biggest Little Farm

#### Sat, Apr. 22 10:00AM - 8:00PM

- Earth Day 5K Fun Run (Town Center West)
- Earth Fest (Town Center West)
- Kiwanis Park Earth Fest (2:00– 5:00)
- WATER Club Trashion Show (7:00-8:00PM Community Campus)

# 2023 EARTH FEST

# April 21 & 22

Interested in learning about easy, everyday climate solutions? Join us this Earth Day to celebrate our planet while learning about sustainability in the Wood River Valley!



Learn more: www.cacwrv.org

# Celebrate Earth Day with Hailey Public Library

