

"NATURE WINDOWS" HAILEY'S NEW MURAL BY ARTIST KIKA MACFARLANE ON THE STURTEVANTS BUILDING, MARY SAUERBREY PHOTO

OUR TOWN, OUR HOME

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What a beautiful fall!

I think we are all enjoying the last of the warm weather here in Hailey. Fall is one of my favorite seasons, as we celebrate a number of iconic festival events: the late-September Hailey Fire/Hailey Chamber 7th Annual Chili Cookoff, 28th annual Trailing of the Sheep Festival and, my personal favorite, Hailey's Halloween Hoopla. As a small town, I cherish events that benefit local causes, such as the Chili Cookoff with proceeds going to the Hailey Volunteer Fire Department.

I also love the breadth and variety of the nationally acclaimed Trailing of the Sheep event, with the annual anchor venue at Roberta McKercher park.

Finally, the homegrown Halloween Hoopla brings out the families of our town in full costume, with our downtown business community stepping up in full force, sponsoring trick-or-treating at their downtown locations. We are pleased to have our newest Main Street mural "Nature Windows" freshly painted for the Hoopla!

These events strengthen us as a small-town, civic, family-oriented community. Please join me in October as we celebrate Hailey!

Warmly.

Mayor Martha Burke



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

We're getting closer! Remember hearing about the Comprehensive Plan Update back in the spring? City Staff have been continuing to work on updating this important planning document, and we are going to need our community's help to get it over the finish line. Our second and final round of surveys and public engagement will begin at the end of October. Refresh yourself on the Plan and stay up to date on events by visiting our website: haileycityhall.org/community-development/comp-plan-update/



COMMUNITY COMPOST PROJECT

In the first week of the Community Compost project, we diverted almost 300lbs of food waste from the landfill! To start composting, go to haileyciyhall.org/compost, we have 100 users signed up for this free program. We can accept: food scraps (including fruit, vegetables, prepared foods, meat and dairy), soiled paper products, and plant waste (cut flowers). Please **DO NOT** place plastic of any kind, cardboard, or wax paper products in the bins.

NEW BUSINESS CORNER



THRIVE KIDS

513 N RIVER ST UNIT 1

THRIVE Kids Early Learning Center is a new early learning and daycare center in the Wood River Valley. We are open Monday-Friday 7:30AM-5:30PM. Our qualified staff is ready to help support your working family by providing a nurturing, safe, and welcoming environment for your kiddos to spend the day learning and getting ready for Kindergarten. Please contact Ana Villanueva at 208-788-4191 for more information.

Owner: Ana Villanueva

ARTICLES

TIME TO TURN OFF YOUR IRRIGATION: The amount you pay for wastewater from April 2025 through March 2026 is directly tied to how much water you use in November 2024 through March 2025. The usage after the meter read on October 23rd will be part of your bill for November services, so protect it by turning off irrigation on or before October 23.



FALL YARD WASTE CLEAN UP

Did you know that last year we diverted 7 tons of woody debris through the semi-annual yard waste cleanup? Please bring your grass, yard trimmings and branches (no longer than 8 feet, and no larger than 18 inches in diameter) to the Park and Ride on Saturday, October 19th from 9:00AM - 3:00PM.



MULTI FAMILY RECYCLING

The Planning and Zoning Commission recently recommended a Municipal Code text amendment for approval by City Council requiring all new multi-family developments to provide recycling collection bins and pick up, if the residential development uses a shared rubbish bin. Currently, residents of multi-family developments with dumpsters do not have an option for recycling unless the property owner/manager provides bins, which is uncommon. Hailey residents who use a brown cart for rubbish can have recyclable materials (metal, plastic, paper) picked up at no extra charge. If adopted, this new text amendment will help to ensure that all residents in Hailey have cost-effective, equitable access to convenient recycling opportunities.



TREE INVENTORY

Volunteers are conducting a tree inventory of the public trees in Hailey. This project is made possible through a regional partnership with the Wood River Valley Collaborative Forest Enhancement Project. This data will provide a baseline tool for the City to better understand and manage our urban forest. You can follow along as the trees are inventoried here: //pq-cloud.com/ldaho

PUBLIC MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CITY COUNCIL:

Tues, Oct 15 5:30 PM, Mon, Oct 28 5:30 PM

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION: Mon, Oct 7 5:30 PM, Mon, Oct 21 5:30 PM

URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY:

Tues, Oct 22 11:00 AM

ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION: Tues, Oct 8 3:30 PM

TREE COMMITTEE: Wed, Oct 9 6:00 PM

PARKS AND LANDS BOARD: Wed, Oct 23 5:00 PM

LIBRARY BOARD: Tues, Oct 15 5:45 PM

Hailey City Offices will be closed Mon, October 14 in observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day

OCTOBER 2024





READ LOCAL

Home to Some of the Best Librarians in Idaho! Laura Goes the Extra Mile for Her Community

Hailey Public Library proudly announces that Laura Primrose has been chosen as the 2024 Idaho Paraprofessional of the Year by the Idaho Library Association.

Laura started helping in libraries in the late 1990s as a Friends volunteer. In 2002, she was hired as a part-time page in Star, Idaho, and began moving up through the ranks in Boise area libraries, including branch manager in Meridian.

Laura came to Hailey Public Library in 2017 and became circulation manager in 2018. She also served as HPL's interim director in 2020. Laura guided the library through the early stages of the pandemic, stating in her good-natured manner, "Well, it certainly was different," and crediting "our great team" for helping to keep library materials and programming available and safe at that unprecedented time.



Laura now serves as HPL's reference librarian, the epicenter of library information. Fittingly, Laura's desk is located under a large "Ask Me" sign. As the sign says, Laura is ready to help with various questions. "There really are no dumb questions," she says earnestly, "If you don't know something, it's my job to help you find an answer." Whether helping users navigate the library, offering advice on collections and services, or providing expertise to locate diverse information, Laura's warm, no-nonsense approach makes her a natural in this position. "There is just so much that libraries have to offer in addition to books. They have relevant, up-to-date, peer-reviewed information for free!" she enthuses. "Libraries are amazing and helping patrons discover all that they have to offer brings me joy."

Laura's favorite question remains, "What should I read next?". Through her relevant and creative displays, facilitating and leading HPL's monthly book club, her weekly TikTok Book Talks, or one-on-one reader advisory, Laura skillfully connects readers with books and information.

So, whatever you may need, you are in luck because Idaho's 2024 Paraprofessional of the Year is right here at your local library. Congratulations Laura!

Snakes of Blaine County Exhibit and Program



HPL is delighted to host Dr. Charles R. (Chuck) Peterson, an Emeritus Professor of Zoology at Idaho State University, for a talk on the "Snakes of Blaine County" on Friday, October 11, at 5:30 PM at Town Center West. He will be accompanied by a live Great Basin Rattlesnake. An exhibit curated by Dr. Peterson will be installed on the library's Mallory Wall until mid-December.

Dr. Peterson is a recognized expert whose research interests include the ecology and conservation biology of amphibians and reptiles in the Snake River Plain and Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. An avid photographer, he promotes their appreciation and conservation using place-based photography exhibits and talks.

His research interests include temperature and water relationships, movements, habitat and distribution and the effects of fire, roads, and introduced species on populations. In addition, he has developed techniques for surveying and monitoring populations.

Dr. Peterson has received the Outstanding Herpetologist award from the Idaho Herpetological Society, ISU's outstanding researcher award and numerous distinguished public service awards.

October Library Events For more information, visit

haileypubliclibrary.org/programs/

Baby & Toddler Story Time Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11:00 AM

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Teen Book Club: The Library After Dark New and Upcoming Sunday, October 20, 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Teen Activities Every Tuesday at 4:00 PM

Shrinky Dinks
Tuesday, October 1, 4:00 PM
Currently Under Renovations Check the
Website for More Details on Later Activities

Authors Talk (Online Events Only) Register to Attend at HPL Website

A Journey into the Hidden World of Tropical Bats with Scientists from the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute Wednesday, October 2, 12:00 PM

Liberating Latin American Genre Fiction: In Conversation with Bestselling Author Silvia Moreno-Garcia Wednesday, October 9, 5:00 PM

Maybe You Should Talk to Someone: Examining the Truths and Fictions We Tell Ourselves with Lori Gottlieb Tuesday, October 22, 12:00 PM

Hispanic Heritage Month StoryWalk©
We Are All Connected/
Todos Estamos Conectados:
Caring for Each Other & the Earth
by Gabi Garcia
September 15 - October 15

Knitting Circle with Patricia Lirk Wednesdays, October 2, 16, & 30, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Growing Mushrooms
Thursday, October 3, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

patRIOT - A Play Reading Thursday, October 10, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Snakes of Blaine County Friday, October 11, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Library Board of Trustees Meeting Tuesday, October 15, 5:45 PM

IDAHO in the Movies Thursday, October 17, 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Intercambio: English/Spanish Language Exchange Wednesdays, 6:00 - 7:00 PM Tutoría de inglés English Tutoring Viernes/Fridays, 6:00 - 7:30 PM Conversacion de inglés Conversational English Viernes/Fridays, 6:00 - 7:30 PM









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FRIENDS' BOOK & BAKE SALE

At Town Center West Saturday, October 19 to Wednesday, October 23 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Daily



Wednesday, October 23 Friends Only Sale 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Thursday, October 24 and Friday, October 25 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday, October 26 Bag Sale \$10 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM



To help, sign up at the library or email haileylibraryfriends@gmail.com

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