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# OUR TOWN, OUR HOME

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#### Welcome, June!

In June, we begin our annual municipal budget process. I plan to unveil my proposed 2026 Municipal Budget on Monday June 9<sup>th</sup>. Please watch our Council packet for these budget materials and the budget highlights. The Council has adopted 2026 goals to guide our budget process, which can be found here:

tinyurl.com/haileycouncil2025goals.

In general, I will be recommending little to no budget increases for next year. We are entering another year of economic uncertainty with regard to our revenue sources. This year, that uncertainty is coupled with state and federal cutbacks which directly and indirectly affect our Hailey budgets and programs. Despite these uncertainties, I am looking forward to working with the Council and the community to implement our 2026 priorities through the municipal budget process and through our capital projects.

This month, I am pleased to partner with Kiwanis of Hailey and the Wood River Valley to launch a capital fundraising campaign for the completion of the Hop Porter Park Stage. This stage will serve our community for years to come as a focal point for a wide variety of community events. Please read more about the launch here: tinyurl.com/raisetheroofcampaign

Mayor Martha Burke



### MUNICIPAL BUDGET LAUNCH

The City is in our third year of a cloud-based budgeting process to increase ease of use and transparency. You can view the Mayors Proposed 2026 budget after June 5, 2025 here: <a href="mailto:tinyurl.com/haileybudget2025">tinyurl.com/haileybudget2025</a>. The Council has adopted goals to guide the 2026 budget process, see link in the Mayor's message. Stay tuned for the upload of our 2026 budget at the end of the first week in June!

## **ARTICLES**



### **ROOFTOP SOLAR**

In May Hailey successfully installed a 34-kilowatt rooftop solar array on the roof of Hailey City Hall. This array, made possible by a grant through the Idaho Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program administered by the Governor's Office of Energy and Mineral Resources from funding made available through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, will offset energy use at City Hall for years to come.



#### WATER USE IN HAILEY

Cutting down on municipal water use is an important component of Hailey's Climate Action goals; however, we must remember that the majority of our region's water use is attributed to agriculture. In Blaine County, all of the cities combined equal about 5% of the County's water use. While we must work on what we can within our town, we must also help countywide efforts to reduce water consumption.

Within Hailey, summer irrigation is our biggest water user. An average Hailey home uses 5,800 gallons of water per month in the winter. That same home uses 40,000 gallons per month in the summer- about a 7-fold increase. When we talk about water consumption and growth, not all new growth is the same. A new apartment complex of about 42 units uses the same amount of water in August as 4 homes in a neighborhood with large yards like Northridge.



### HAILEY ARBOR DAY

Hailey celebrated Arbor Day on Wed, May 7<sup>th</sup>. With the help of a few volunteers, we were able to plant a new tree in Foxmoor Park to replace one that had previously died. Trees are vital to resilient communities, and this will provide shade, cleaner air, and improve the quality of our park. Thank you to The Hailey Tree Committee for all of their hard work and support of Hailey's urban forest! An additional special thank you to the Idaho Department of Lands and the Society of American Foresters for attending and giving your support!

## **PUBLIC MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### CITY COUNCIL:

Mon, June 9 5:00 PM (joint HURA & City Council Meeting 5:00-6:00, regular council meeting begins at 6:00PM)
Mon, June 23 5:30 PM

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

Mon, June 2 5:30 PM Mon, June 16 5:30 PM

**URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY:** 

Tues, June 10 11:00 AM

ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION: Tues, June 10 3:30 PM

TREE COMMITTEE: Wed, June 11 6:00 PM

PARKS & LANDS BOARD: Wed, June 25 5:00 PM

LIBRARY BOARD: Tues, June 17 5:45 PM

Hailey City offices will be closed Thursday, June 19 in observance of Juneteenth.

### **JUNE 2025**



Drawing June 6 Summer Filke Raffle with Trailhead Bicycles

Ceft your tickets! \$10 for One or \$25 for Three Need not be Present to Win



### **Summer at HPL!**

Summer is nearly here, and Hailey Public Library is so excited to share it with you!

Here are some highlights from our upcoming summer youth programs:

Beginning June 10, The Hunger Coalition's Bloom truck will be back at HPL on Tuesdays and Thursdays, delivering free, fresh, healthy



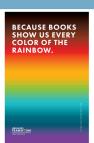
lunches for school-aged children from 11:30am-12:30pm. Adults accompanying a child may buy lunch for \$1. On Tuesdays while the Bloom Truck is here, the HPL Team will have a STREAM (Science, Technology, READING!, Engineering, Art, and Math) activity for kids to participate in. On Thursdays, in addition to a yummy lunch, the Bloom crew will be providing a fun activity for children. Check out the HPL website for more details. We invite all children to join us on Tuesdays and Thursdays for lunch and these free, no-registration weekly activities!

SUGAR FIX is back! On Mondays from 3:00-4:00pm, come to the Library for a readaloud with Kiley Hoefer designed specifically for tweens and teens. Book TBD. Afterwards, enjoy a sweet treat.

Do you know a student in need of additional reading support? If so, consider signing up for Reading Bridge on Mondays and/or Wednesdays from 4:00-5:00 PM. Reading Bridge is designed to foster a love of books and reading in a supportive small-group/ one-on-one environment. Basic reading concepts are reinforced through fun activities designed to build reader's fluency and confidence. The program is free. Please stop by HPL to register and learn more.

DON'T FORGET ABOUT SUMMER READING! Summer Reading for kids ages 0-18 officially kicks off on June 6. Registration started on May 19 and can be done online on our website https://haileypubliclibrary.org/ or in-person at the Library. There will be fantastic prizes and book giveaways again this summer, so be sure to sign up and start reading! There is summer reading for adults, too. Come by, register, read, participate, and enter the raffle for a chance to win fabulous prizes at our end of Summer Reading Celebration on August 1. Stay tuned for more details.

#### Celebrate Love with HPL!



June is a month for celebrating love. Hailey Public Library i safe space for all, and we choose to celebrate with everyone in our community. All month long we will have displays throughout the library celebrating love. If you are looking to celebrate with us we have plenty of books you can read to explore yourself or learn more about others. If you are interested in learning more and building understanding, we have plenty of books to read for that, too. In addition to our awesome special displays, we have an entire library with a variety of subjects for the purposes of entertainment and education. Our diverse collection offers something for everyone. So, no matter what you're looking for this Pride month, stop by Hailey Public Library and we'll have something for you!



## June Library Events

For more information, visit haileypubliclibrary.org/programs/

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

Reading Bridge Wednesdays, 4:00 - 5:00 PM

> Story Time Fridays, 11:00 AM Saturdays, 3:30 PM

Teen Book Club: The Library After Hours Book Title that Starts with the Same Letter as Your First Name Sunday, June 29, 4:00 - 5:00 PM

> This Year's Theme:



Adult Summer Reading 2025 Saturday, May 24 -Tuesday, September 2 Kids Summer Reading 2025 Friday, June 6 - Friday, August 1

#### **Imagine Nation Teen Activities Every Tuesday at 3:30 PM**

No Teen Activity This Week Tuesday, June 4

**Rock Painting** Tuesday, June 10, 3:30 PM

Weaving Tuesday, June 17, 3:30 PM

**Paper Flowers** Tuesday, June 24, 3:30 PM

St. Luke's Office Hours at the Library Wednesday, June 4, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Democratizing Astronomy & Indigenous Knowledge through Music & Citizen Science with Dr. Daniel Peluso Thursday, June 5, 5:30 - 7:00 PM

> Library Board of Trustees Meeting Tuesday, June 17, 5:45 PM

Expanding Mindset on the Garden: Thinking Outside the Bed Thursday, June 28, 5:30 - 6:30

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

Extinctopedia: A Discovery of What We Have Lost, What is at Risk, and What To Do About it with Smithsonian Scientists Wednesday, June 4, 12:00 PM

**Explore Unexpected Twists and Turns** with Bestselling Author Lisa Jewell Tuesday, June 10, 12:00 PM

Living the Otter Life with Katherine Applegate (3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade) Tuesday, June 24, 2:00 PM

> Conversational Spanish Tuesdays, 12:00 - 1:00 PM

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

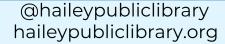
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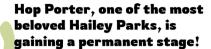






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A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN SPONSORED BY KIWANIS AND THE CITY OF HAILEY TO COMPLETE THE HOP PORTER PARK STAGE



Our goal is to raise \$250,000 for the roof, lighting, electrical, and support structure. Kiwanis has pledged \$10,000 to kickstart the effort. This stage will serve as a focal point for community events such as: concerts, plays, public speeches, and more!

 Platinum: \$25,000 (\$150,000 or more gets your name on the stage!)

• Gold: \$10,000 • Silver: \$5,000







Help us raise the roof by donating or becoming a sponsor. All funds go directly toward raising the roof!

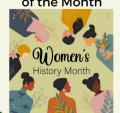
#### **HOW TO DONATE:**

Scan the OR code, mail your donation to the Kiwa<mark>nis C</mark>lub of Hailey and the Wood River Valley at PO Box 901, Hailey, ID 83333 or donate in person at Mountain West Bank in



## Children's Programming Schedule

Teen Book Club **Every Last Sunday** of the Month



4 PM Reading Bridge



11:30 AM HPL STREAM & Bloom Truck 3:30 PM Imagine



10:30 AM **Toddler Time 3 PM SUGAR FIX** 





11:30 AM Bloom Truck & Activity



## 11 AM Story Time



3:30 PM Story Time





Check our website or stop by the library for more details.

