



CITY STREET DEPARTMENT HANGS FLAGS ON NEW CITY HALL FLAG POLE

## CITY OF HAILEY

# OUR TOWN, OUR HOME

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Hello February!

I cannot remember very many February's where I look out my window to no snow. I am hopeful that this month will return us to a normal winter white, and that we maintain a healthy snowpack for 2026.

This week, the **Hailey and Blaine County South (formerly Wood River) Joint Fire Board** met with the intention to take steps towards including the Ketchum Fire District into our Joint Board. This Joint Board will be working toward joint operations between our fire departments. I am in full support of this next step, as I think it is the best path towards continued high quality fire and EMS services for Hailey and our region. I am making a

commitment to full transparency as we jointly develop this plan. Stay tuned for regular updates.

I am also thrilled to see plans and initial construction of the **Bullion Pathway**. Our partnership with the Hailey Urban Renewal Agency will create this signature pathway, linking Main Street to Hop Porter Park.

Lastly, Hailey is embarking on a **wayfinding and signage plan** this spring, which will tie all of our parks and trail signs together. I look forward to this process and seeing the results on the Bullion Pathway and in all of our parks and trails.

With gratitude,

Mayor Martha Burke

## ARTICLES



### ELECTRIC MOBILITY DEVICES AND E-BIKES IN HAILEY!

Hailey has been working to clarify rules for e-bikes and other electric mobility devices. Thank you for all the citizens and partner agencies who have added to this robust discussion! Some highlights include:

- We are a community that supports getting out of the car for travel! Use whatever pedal power suits you, but share the road responsibly with other users. This means use “reasonable and prudent” operation of your device!
- Speed limit on the Wood River Trail (bike path) within Hailey City limits is 20 mph! On streets and pathways, it is 20 mph unless otherwise posted.
- Under 18 users of e-bikes and electric mobility devices are required to wear a helmet.

You will see us roll out education and signage this spring!



### BULLION PATHWAY UPDATE

The City is taking advantage of a mild winter to advance construction of the Bullion Pathway. This signature project runs from Main Street to Hop Porter Park along the north side of Bullion Street. You can read more about the design here: [tinyurl.com/bullionpathwaypresjan](https://tinyurl.com/bullionpathwaypresjan) You may see us digging holes to plant trees along the Hop Porter Park frontage, clearing trees in the right-of way to make room for the pathway and other stripping and grubbing work all along the path. Feel free to call us if you have questions!



### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL REPORT

The Community Development Department (CDD) provides professional guidance on planning, zoning, building, and safety regulations to City officials, departments, and the public. CDD also processes all land use and business development applications in the City of Hailey. CDD’s 2025 Annual Report highlighting achievements, progress, and development activity is available here: [tinyurl.com/cddannualreport2025](https://tinyurl.com/cddannualreport2025)



### TURNING CANS INTO PLAYGROUNDS: CELEBRATE BIG WIN WITH KIWANIS!

The Hailey Kiwanis Club invites the community to celebrate their successful aluminum can recycling program on Tues, February 24th from 5 to 7 PM at Town Center West (116 S River St, Hailey). Through the leadership of Bob Wiederrick, the club has earned over \$50,000 recycling aluminum cans. This money has been invested in playgrounds and park improvements in the City of Hailey. Come and join club members in the celebration. The program will feature fun contests and refreshments.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CITY COUNCIL:

Mon, Feb 9 5:30 PM  
Mon, Feb 23 5:30 PM

#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

Mon, Feb 2 5:30 PM  
Tues, Feb 17 5:30 PM

#### URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY:

Tues, Feb 24 11:00 AM

#### ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION

COMMISSION: Wed, Feb 11 3:30 PM

TREE COMMITTEE: Wed, Feb 11 6:00 PM

PARKS & LANDS BOARD: Tues, Feb 24 5:00 PM

LIBRARY BOARD: Tues, Feb 17 5:45 PM

Hailey City offices will be closed Mon, Feb 16th in observance of Presidents’ Day.

# HAILEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

READ LOCAL



## NEWSLETTER

**"In February there is everything to hope for and nothing to regret."**

PATIENCE STRONG



**Eat.Sleep.Read.Compost.Repeat**


Drop off your finished books and compost materials out front!



Did you know? You can return these books at Hailey Public Library!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

-  **Author Talks - Online Events**  
Swashbuckling Heroines and High Sea Adventures with Novelist **Vanessa Riley**  
February 5<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00pm MST
- Mojos, Mermaids, Medicine, and 400 Years of Black Women's Magic with **Dr. Lindsey Stewart**  
February 12<sup>th</sup> @ 12:00pm MST
- [register to attend at HPL's website](#)
-  **Winter Read 2026: Frankenstein the 1818 Text by Mary Shelley**  
hybrid in-person and zoom book discussion  
February 10<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm  
Town Center West - 116 S River St.  
zoom link available at HPL's website
-  **Library Board of Trustees Meeting**  
February 17<sup>th</sup> @ 5:45pm  
Town Center West - 116 S River St.
-  **Imagine Nation Teen Activities Every Tuesday at 4 PM**  
Paint Swatches Drawings - Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Valentine's Day Craft - Feb 10<sup>th</sup>  
Balloon Bowls - Feb 17<sup>th</sup>  
Macrame - Feb 24<sup>th</sup>

 for our full schedule of weekly events please visit our website



## FALL IN LOVE WITH SOMETHING NEW!

This February, Hailey Public Library has many great opportunities to expand your reading AND get rewarded for it!

It's time for our annual *Blind Date with a Book*. Let us introduce you to something new! Choose a wrapped book, read as much as you like, then fill out the "Rate a Book" slip for a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate to Dang's Thai Cuisine & Sushi bar.

Play along with our 2026 Reading Challenge and enter to win our monthly raffle. Every month is a different genre; pick out a book to read, then check in at the front desk for a raffle ticket for a chance to win

\$25 dollars in Chamber Bucks. The last day to get a ticket for the romance challenge is Friday, February 27th at 2 pm.

Finally, Bellevue Public Library, Hailey Public Library, and Community Library are teaming up again for the 2026 Winter Read: "Frankenstein" by Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley. Community Library will host several live author talks and movie screenings open to the public! The Hailey Public Library will be hosting its book discussion in person & via Zoom on February 10th at 5:30 in the Town Center West building.

## WE ARE FAR MORE THAN YOU EXPECT

Step into a space where real people and modern resources come together. Our team is here to help you explore everything we have to offer beyond the shelves.



**Little Hands, Big Ideas**  
Come enjoy our creative maker space, sized and built with kids in mind.



**Need a hand? We can help**  
We help patrons print 2200+ pages a month!



**Game On**  
We have hundreds of puzzles and games ready for fun with your family.



**Focus Found Here**  
Our private rooms are perfect for meetings or tutoring. Reserve time today on our website.

**Holiday Closure**  
February 16th - President's Day

**LET 'ER SNOW!**

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# STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY

**Ignite a love for reading with our weekly Story Time sessions! Bring your little ones for stories, songs, crafts and community.**

**Baby and Toddler Story Time**  
Wednesday's @ 10:15am & 11:45am  
with community play time in between

**Story Time for preschoolers**  
Friday's @ 11:00am  
Saturday's @ 3:30pm

**FIREHOUSE STORY SQUAD**  
READING WITH RESPONDERS!

Get ready for a special Story Time on Friday February 6<sup>th</sup> with local FIREFIGHTERS! The heroes and their truck will arrive @ 11:00am