



SAGEBRUSH BUTTERCUP BLOOMING NEAR OLD CUTTERS PARK

# CITY OF HAILEY OUR TOWN, OUR HOME

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Welcome, spring!

It was the driest winter I can remember. As a city, we hope to strategically plan for our water use this summer. We are in the process of developing our “No Snow Summer” water conservation program. We have not worked out all of the details, and we welcome your input. See the article below for an overview of the program. We will be discussing this program in further detail at our April council meetings.

On April 13th, I will present my 2026 State of the City Report. Hailey’s State of the City Report looks at our accomplishments of the last year and how they aligned with the council’s annual goals. The report identifies current challenges and sets the stage for

citywide budgetary goals for the year ahead. Look for it on our website this month.

Preparing this State of the City Report each year reminds me of the high value of civic dialogue and the nonpartisan nature of local government. My 25 years of civic service are founded on these tenets: we may not always agree with each other, but we treat each other with respect and civil discourse. We do not bring partisan politics into city issues on any level. Local government has been nonpartisan for my entire career, keeping us focused on issues, not divisions. Thank you for your participation in all of our plans and programs!

Respectfully,

Mayor Martha Burke



## NO SNOW SUMMER WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM

After a winter of below-average snowfall, Hailey is preparing for a potential drought year by developing a new water conservation program focused on reducing water use during the critical April–October irrigation season, which accounts for 88% of annual consumption. The City strongly encourages all residents to begin conserving water now to help protect aquifer health and ensure long-term system resilience. The program is designed to remain revenue-neutral, and more details will be shared in the near future—stay tuned for updates.

## ARTICLES



### BULLION PATHWAY

Construction of the Bullion Pathway is underway, and the City is making steady progress toward having a partially completed safe route ready ahead of the first Hailey Rocks concert of the season. The pathway will improve connectivity and provide safer, more convenient access for residents and visitors attending summer events, with additional work including irrigation and landscaping after the kickoff to further enhance the pathway.



### SPRING FLOODING

Most years, Hailey is susceptible to flooding, both during spring runoff and due to sheet flooding during unusual weather events. There is a potential for flooding in many areas within the City, including but not limited to the following subdivisions/areas:

- Della View Subdivision near Heagle Park
- Heagle Park area
- Areas within the Woodside Subdivision

More information can be found on our website: [haileycityhall.org/community-development/flood](http://haileycityhall.org/community-development/flood)

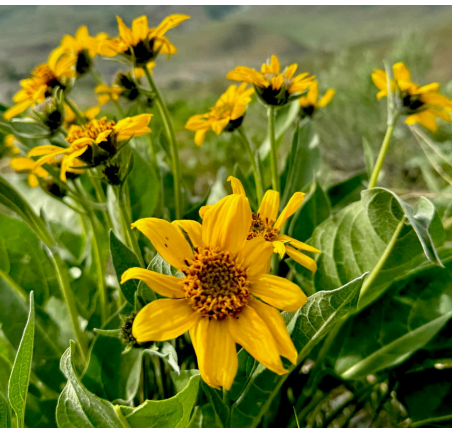


### SUSTAINABILITY ACTION PLAN WORKSHOP

Join us for a Community Workshop on Hailey's Sustainability Action Plan!

Tuesday, April 14, 12:00–1:30 PM & 4:30–6:00 PM  
Town Center West (116 S River St)

We'll be sharing draft goals, targets, and actions across key focus areas: Transportation, Energy & Built Environment, Waste & Circularity, Water, and Land Use & Stewardship.



### RESILIENT GARDENING

April is a great time to plant native or drought-tolerant species in central Idaho. Cooler temperatures and spring moisture help plants establish strong root systems before the heat of summer, reducing the need for frequent watering later on. Choosing native plants not only conserves water but also supports local pollinators and creates a more resilient, low-maintenance landscape. A few plant species to consider include: Arrowleaf balsamroot, Blanketflower (Gaillardia), Blue flax, Serviceberry, Snowberry, Bluebunch wheatgrass, Idaho fescue, Basin wildrye. These plants are adapted to central Idaho's dry summers and cold winters, making them excellent choices for water-wise, low-maintenance landscapes that also support local wildlife and pollinators.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CITY COUNCIL:

Mon, Apr 13 5:30 PM  
Mon, Apr 27 5:30 PM

#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

Mon, Apr 6 5:30 PM  
Mon, Apr 20 5:30 PM

#### URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY:

Thurs, Apr 9 11:00 AM  
Tues, Apr 21 11:00 AM

#### ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION

COMMISSION: Wed, Apr 8 3:30 PM

TREE COMMITTEE: Wed, Apr 8 6:00 PM

PARKS & LANDS BOARD: Tues, Apr 28 5:00 PM

LIBRARY BOARD: Tues, Apr 21 5:45 PM

# HAILEY

## PUBLIC LIBRARY

READ LOCAL



# NEWSLETTER

“April is a reminder that life is beautiful, ever-renewing cycle.”

E. E. CUMMINGS

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### \* Author Talks - Online Events

[register to attend at HPL's website](#)

On a Mission: History of US Women Astronauts with Smithsonian Curator

**Emerita Valerie Neal**

April 2nd @ 12:00pm MST

On Writing Action-Packed and Suspensful Spycraft with

**Brad Taylor**

April 14<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00pm MST

Lush Lyricism and Intimate Confessions

**Miranda Cowley Heller**

April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 12:00pm MST

### \* Imagine Nation Teen Activities Every Tuesday at 4 PM

bead lizards - April 7th

bedazzling craft - April 14<sup>th</sup>

nail and string art - April 21st

picture frame decorations - April 28<sup>th</sup>

### \* Ancient Relics of the Milky Way with Dr. Madeline McKenzie

April 4th @ 5:30pm

Town Center West - 116 S River St.

### \* Library Board of Trustees Meeting

April 21st @ 5:45pm


Town Center West - 116 S River St.

### \* Introduction to Watercolor Painting Class

April 23rd @ 5:30pm

Town Center West - 116 S River St

registration is required

 for our full schedule of weekly events please visit our website

Early voting for the May primary begins Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> [voteidaho.gov](http://voteidaho.gov)

## 2026 Earth Day Teen Thrift Fashion Show



Get ready to turn “thrifty” into “trendy!” In celebration of Earth Day, the Hailey Public Library is proud to present our second annual fashion show dedicated to style and sustainability.

We are looking for 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders to showcase their creativity. This is your chance to prove that high fashion doesn't have to mean high waste. Teams of three can be formed with one person as the runway model.

Participants will be given a budget to purchase thrifted items for a themed, curated look. After creating your masterpiece, you'll strut your stuff (and your outfit) on the catwalk.

There is more than just a title on the line! First-, second-, and third-place winners will each receive a \$100 Chamber Bucks certificate.

### Event Details

- When: April 25, 2026
- Where: Town Center West - 116 S River St
- Time: Doors open at 5:00 PM | Show starts at 5:30 PM
- Registration: Begins April 1st. Come over to the Hailey Public Library and sign up!



Celebrate NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

[Ready to find your spark?](#)

Celebrate National Library Week 2026 (April 19<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>) with the theme “Find your Joy!”

Come see what's new, grab a fresh stack of books, and let us help you find your joy. **Libraries are for everyone - including you!**

## 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.



*Your Exams, Secured*  
We offer free proctoring services for students



*Living the plot*  
Watch our live, digital conversations with bestselling authors



*Need some help??*  
We have dedicated staff for reference and basic tech support



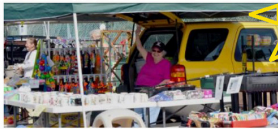
*Push play on our archive*  
explore our prgrams archive on our website



# EARTH FEST

Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

10:00-2:00 Croy & Main in Hailey



## TRUNK SALE

Shop 15 small yard sales in one place to kick-start your spring & summer season!

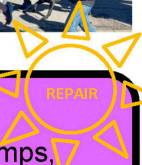
## 5K FUN RUN

Registration 9 -10 am  
Race Starts at 10:00 am  
All ages--friends & family!  
\*Dress-up & show your Earth Day spirit\*



## Fix-IT Clinic

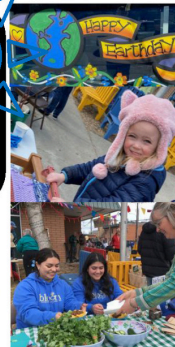
Bring your broken or damaged lamps, furniture, small appliances, outdoor gear & clothing. We'll help you fix them!



## ACTIVITIES FOOD MUSIC

Family Fun & Amazing Community Activity Booths!  
Delicious food, Arts & crafts, Student art at the library.  
Learn about Circularity, and lots of ideas for making our lives and our EARTH sustainable and resilient!

REPURPOSE



MORE INFO @ [CACWRV.ORG](http://CACWRV.ORG)



## ANCIENT RELICS OF THE MILKY WAY WITH DR. MADELEINE MCKENZIE

DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2026

PRESENTATION: 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

LOCATION: TOWN CENTER WEST - 116 S RIVER ST



Join Dr. Madeleine McKenzie for an evening of cosmic discovery. Hosted by the Idaho Dark Sky Alliance and local partners, the event begins with a presentation at Town Center West (5:30pm), followed by stargazing at the Sawtooth Botanical Garden, 11 Gimlet Road in Ketchum (8:30pm).

## INTRODUCTION TO WATERCOLOR PAINTING

DATE: THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2026

EVENT: 5:30 PM

LOCATION: TOWN CENTER WEST - 116 S RIVER ST

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED



Dive into the basics of color blending and layering in this introductory class. Registration is required, please email [library.staff@haileypubliclibrary.org](mailto:library.staff@haileypubliclibrary.org) or call 208-788-2036 to secure your spot.