



NEW CONCRETE & FEATURES AT THE HAILEY SKATE PARK

## CITY OF HAILEY OUR TOWN, OUR HOME

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This last month has dramatized the urgent drought conditions in Idaho and close to home. I wish to thank all of the first responders who so quickly responded to the Ohio fire, keeping our community and properties safe. Our local and national firefighters responded with immense speed and tactical response, saving homes, public lands and public infrastructure. I cannot fully express my gratitude for your efforts.

How did you get up-to-date news of the Ohio Fire and were you prepared for the fire to change directions? I urge all of our citizens to understand the rules of “Ready, Set, Go” the Idaho-adopted standards for evacuation in the event of wildfire see the back page of this newsletter for an overview.

You can also sign up for [Blaine County's 911 Alert System](#) (previously called Code

Red). You must sign up again to receive alerts - Code Red is no longer active. These alerts are the best way for you to have factual, real time information that affects our community and possibly your home in the event of a disaster.

I also wish to thank our community for the water conservation achievements made so far in this sobering drought year. To date we have saved 2,422,100 gallons of water. Our water is one of our most precious resources. Dry lawns are a small sacrifice so many of us are making this year in order to keep our streams flowing.

As we move into August, I hope for cooler temperatures and clear skies. Be safe, Hailey!

Gratefully,

Mayor Martha Burke

### WOODSIDE BLVD MAINTENANCE NEARING COMPLETION!

The Streets Department recently wrapped up essential surface maintenance along Woodside Boulevard. Through a three-step chip seal, fog seal, and restriping process, our crews sealed cracks, restored high-visibility lane markings, and extended the road's lifespan. The final step is for the Streets Dept to add bike lane markings, which will happen in the next few weeks. This proactive work prevents costly pavement repairs while keeping one of Hailey's key corridors safe for commuters, school buses, and emergency responders. Thank you for your patience while we completed these vital upgrades!



## NEW BUSINESS CORNER



### EVOLVE MEDICAL SPA

Evolve Medical Spa is excited to serve the Hailey and Sun Valley, Idaho community. Our philosophy centers on the belief that every individual is uniquely beautiful, and our goal is to enhance natural beauty through advanced non-surgical aesthetic treatments.

Located at 13 W Bullion St.

Co-owned by: Sonny Wiersema and Pepper Prouty

## ARTICLES



### PARTNERING FOR BETTER PARKS

Have you noticed the exciting changes in our local parks this year? From the stunning new stage at Hop Porter Park and upgraded features at the Hailey Skatepark, to a wider, more accessible path at the Arboretum and new playground equipment at Sunbeam Park (Phase Two), our parks are better than ever!

These projects wouldn't be possible without the incredible generosity of our community partners:

- Kiwanis Club of Wood River Valley
- Wood River Women's Foundation
- Rotary Club
- The Hailey Parks Foundation
- Our hardworking local contractors and businesses

Thank you for your continued care and support of Hailey's parks—we truly couldn't do it without you!



### NEW IDAHO STATE RULES FOR ADU'S

Following the passage of Senate Bill 1354 during the 2026 Idaho Legislative Session, new statewide rules have been established for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) within cities over a certain size.

Key provisions include:

- Allowing one internal or detached ADU per single-family lot.
- Eliminating owner-occupancy requirements.
- Prohibiting off-street parking mandates in most cases.
- Setting size allowances up to at least 1,000 square feet (or 75% of the primary home).
- Preventing fees, height limits, or setbacks from being more restrictive than standard single-family homes.

Hailey City Council approved the Ordinance on first reading on July 27, 2026. Second and third readings are scheduled for August 10 and August 24, 2026. For further details and to read the full Ordinance, visit the link on the city website:

<https://tinyurl.com/StateADURevision>

## PUBLIC MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CITY COUNCIL:

Mon, Aug 10 5:30 PM

Mon, Aug 24 5:30 PM (4:30PM Wastewater Plant Tour)

#### PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION:

~~Mon, Aug 3 5:30 PM (CANCELED)~~

Mon, Aug 17 5:30 PM

#### URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY:

Tues, Aug 18 11:00 AM

#### ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION

COMMISSION: Wed, Aug 12 3:30 PM

TREE COMMITTEE: Wed, Aug 12 5:30 PM

PARKS & LANDS BOARD: Tues, Aug 25 5:30 PM

LIBRARY BOARD: Tues, Aug 18 5:45 PM

# HAILEY

## PUBLIC LIBRARY

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# NEWSLETTER

**"August creates as she slumbers,  
replete and satisfied."**

Joseph Wood Krutch

Laura Primrose has been a dedicated team member of the Hailey Public Library since 2017. Congratulations on your Retirement Laura! Enjoy your next chapter!



## UPCOMING EVENTS



### Author Talks – Online Events

register to attend at HPL's website

The Legacy of Julia Child's Kitchen  
with Smithsonian Curator  
**Paula J. Johnson**  
August 4th @ 12:00pm MDT

When Trees Testify: Reclaiming  
America's Black Botanical  
Legacy with  
**Beronda Montgomery**  
August 25th @ 12:00pm MDT

High Altitudes and High Stakes:  
A Miss Marple Mystery with  
**Lucy Foley**  
August 27th @ 12:00pm MDT



### Bloom Lunch & STREAM Activities

Tuesdays: Activity @ 10:30am  
Lunch 11:30am – 12:45pm  
Thursdays: Activity & Lunch  
11:30am – 12:45pm  
continues through August 20th



**for our full schedule of weekly  
events please visit our website**

## SHAPING THE BIG WOOD RIVER LIBRARY DISTRICT TOGETHER! TELL US WHAT YOU WANT TO SEE!

While the new district officially launches on October 1, 2027, our collaborative planning work is already underway. To build a library system tailored to your unique lifestyle, we have launched a community survey.

Please take 3 to 5 minutes to complete our survey online or at the Hailey or Bellevue library. Don't forget to include your name and email to be entered into our participation raffle to win a Dang's gift certificate. The prize drawing will take place this September. We will collect survey results throughout August.

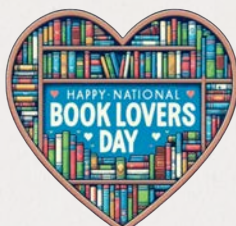
This survey is your direct pipeline to shape our future services. We want to know how familiar residents are with the library and the many resources available. What changes and enhancements would you like to see? What do you think is the best method for communicating the district changes to come? All of this and more is built into our survey. We want to hear your voice so the library district reflects the needs, aspirations, and values of our community and library users.



## Complete our survey HERE

**PARTICIPANTS WILL AUTOMATICALLY  
BE ENTER INTO A RAFFLE TO WIN A  
DANG'S GIFT CERTIFICATE**

## August 9th is National Book Lovers Day!



Celebrate the joy of reading  
with us!

We have something for every  
reader in town.



**Big congratulations to Craig S. on taking home  
this brand-new e-bike!  
That winning smile says it all!**

Thank you to everyone  
who purchased  
a ticket. Your  
incredible support  
empowers the Friends  
of the Hailey Public  
Library to fund vital  
library programs and  
community resources.  
We couldn't do it  
without you ❤️



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# READY, SET, GO!

## WILDFIRE EVACUATIONS

The State of Idaho is adopting the “Ready, Set, Go” wildfire evacuation program as the statewide standard for public evacuation messaging, establishing a unified, consistent approach to communicating evacuation risk and action levels across all jurisdictions.



If you require additional time to evacuate, consider leaving early rather than waiting for the evacuation recommendation.



### READY

- Prepare in advance for hazards that could impact your home and community.
- Sign up for emergency alerts.
- Plan for pets, medications, important documents, and valuables.
- Have essential items packed in case of evacuation.
- Reduce wildfire risk by clearing debris, moving woodpiles, and maintaining defensible space around your home.

“Ready” means you have prepared for hazards that could threaten your home and community.



### SET

- Stay alert to threats in your area.
- Be fully packed and ready to leave quickly.
- Be prepared to evacuate at a moment's notice.
- Understand that evacuation orders may require immediate action with little time to prepare.

“Set” means you are aware of a threat and ready to evacuate quickly if needed.



### GO!

- Evacuate immediately when told to go.
- Do not delay or wait for conditions to worsen.
- If you stay, you must remain on your property.
- Emergency services may not be available to assist you further.
- When in doubt, get out.

“Go” means it is time to leave immediately. Waiting too long puts lives at risk.



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PUBLIC LIBRARY

## Looking for Extra Reading Support?

Do you know a K–5th grade student who needs a boost in their reading skills? Bring them to Reading Bridge at the Hailey Public Library!

This fun, small-group program takes place inside the Children’s Library at no cost to families.

To enroll a student or sign up as a volunteer reader, please email [lee.dabney@haileypubliclibrary.org](mailto:lee.dabney@haileypubliclibrary.org)



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