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CITY OF HAILEY

OUR TOWN, OUR HOME

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October is a busy month!

Here are some topics of interest in October:

Meetings on the Airport Way Transportation Master Plan: We hope to improve vehicular and nonmotorized safety along Airport Way and connecting streets. see next page of our newsletter for the meetings we have planned regarding this important part of our town.

Fire Annexation Open Houses: In October, we plan to host two open houses where we will provide more detailed, factual information about potential changes to fire and emergency services in Hailey, including the associated costs. In November, Hailey residents will decide whether to permanently annex into the BC South/Blaine County Rescue Fire Protection District. We hope you will join us at one of these meetings.

Bullion Pathway Ribbon Cutting: The Bullion Pathway is a signature project that increases bike/pedestrian safety from Main Street to Hop Porter Park and add beautiful amenities and landscaping. Join us at the Ribbon Cutting at 4:30PM on Mon, Oct 26!

I hope to see you at one of these meetings, or at The Trailing of the Sheep festivities and the Halloween Hoopla!

Gratefully,

Mayor Martha Burke



FALL YARD WASTE CLEAN UP

Did you know that last year we diverted 11.34 tons of yard waste through our free, semi-annual yard waste cleanups?

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 (corner of Bullion and River St) on Saturday, October 24th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

ARTICLES



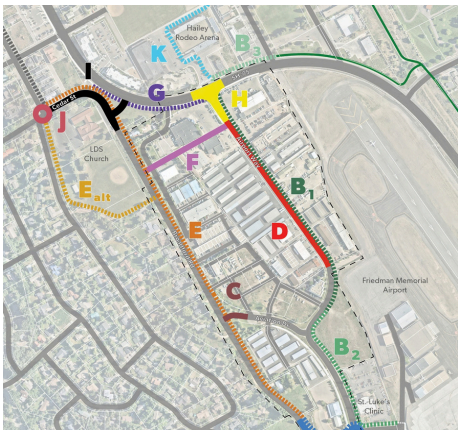
HAILEY FIRE DISTRICT ANNEXATION

On Tues, Nov. 3 Hailey voters will decide whether the city should annex into the Blaine County South Fire Protection District, which operates today as Blaine County Fire & Rescue (BCFR).

To help residents understand what is on the ballot before they vote, the City of Hailey will host two public information meetings in October:

- Thursday, Oct. 8, 5:30 PM — In person at Hailey City Hall Council Chambers, 115 Main Street South, Hailey, ID 83333
- Thursday, Oct. 15, 6:00 PM — Online via Zoom

Both meetings will cover the same information: the differences in service levels between Hailey's current fire service model and the Fire District model. Each session will also go over the ballot question, how the annexation process works, estimated costs, who would govern fire service, and what happens under either outcome. Residents are welcome to bring questions. To learn more, visit HaileyFireFacts.org



AIRPORT WAY TRANSPORATION MASTER PLAN

Stay tuned for the upcoming Airport Way Transportation Master Plan! This Plan, sponsored by the Hailey Urban Renewal Agency, has been underway for the last year. The Plan addresses long-term vehicular and nonmotorized needs in the area shown on the map.

You can participate in meetings to review the Plan at Hailey City Hall:

- Monday, October 19, 2026, 5:30 PM, Hailey Planning and zoning Commission
- Tuesday, October 20, 11:00 AM, Hailey Urban Renewal Agency
- Monday, October 26th 5:00 PM: Joint Meeting of the Hailey City Council and the Hailey Urban Renewal Agency



FOOD WASTE PREVENTION

The first week of October marks food waste prevention week. Reducing food waste saves money, helps protect our planet by reducing pressure on land and water resources, and makes our agrifood systems more efficient and sustainable. Did you know that 60% of food waste happens at the household level?

Here are some tips for reducing food waste at home:

- Make a weekly meal plan and shopping list
- Purchase only what you need and will use
- Store food properly to extend freshness
- Use up leftovers or repurpose them into a new dish
- Compost any food scraps at one of Hailey's free residential compost bins, learn more: haileycityhall.org/compost

Source: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

PUBLIC MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CITY COUNCIL:
~~Tues, Oct 13 5:30 PM~~ CANCELED
Mon, Oct 26 5:00 PM

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION:
Mon,Oct 5 5:30 PM
Mon,Oct 19 5:30 PM

URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY:
Tues, Oct 20 11:00 AM

ARTS & HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION: Wed, Oct 14 3:30 PM

TREE COMMITTEE: Wed, Oct 14 5:30 PM

PARKS & LANDS BOARD: Tues, Oct 27 5:30 PM

LIBRARY BOARD: Tues, Oct 20 5:45 PM

Hailey City Offices will be closed Mon, Oct 12 in observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day.

HAILEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

READ LOCAL

NEWSLETTER

"October is a symphony of permanence and change."
BONARO W. OVERSTREET



September was Library Card Sign-up Month! We are excited to have welcomed nearly 60 new patrons and partnered with four local businesses to spread more library love.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Author Talks In-Person

Local Science Fiction Author **AJ Super**
October 15 @ 5:30pm
Town Center West

Online
Register to attend on HPL's website

Courage, Choice, and What Comes Next with Dystopian Icon
Veronica Roth
October 1st @ 5:00pm MDT

Art in Flight: Reinventing Postmodernism with Smithsonian Curator
Carolyn Russo
October 8th @ 12:00pm MDT

The Power of Limits: How Constraints Drive Genius
David Epstein
October 13th @ 12:00pm MDT

Library Reads Book Club
London Falling by Patrick Radden Keefe
October 13th @ 5:30pm
Town Center West

Fiction Writing Seminar
October 15th @ 5:30pm
Town Center West

Library Board of Trustees Meeting
October 20th @ 5:45 pm
Hailey City Hall (upstairs)

Holiday Closures
Columbus Day - Monday, October 12th

38th Annual Fall Book & Bake Sale

October 21-24
Town Center West, 116 S River St. Hailey ID

	Sale Schedule	
October 21	Friends of the Library Members Only Sale	4 pm - 6 pm
October 22-23	Book & Bake Sale (open to all)	9 am - 6 pm
October 24	Buy Your Books by the Bag! (open to all)	9 am - 2 pm

October = Book & Bake Sale!
Fall is here, which means it's time for the Friends of the Hailey Public Library (FHPL) annual Book & Bake Sale!



A Little About the Friends
Founded in the late 1980s, FHPL is a nonprofit dedicated to helping Hailey's library grow and thrive. Today, volunteers raise funds, advocate for the library, and support programs and supplies that regular funding doesn't always cover—including summer reading, guest speakers, and arts and crafts activities.

There are lots of ways to support:
Volunteer for a shift | *Donate books* | *Bake a treat* | *Shop* | *Join the Friends*
Interested in getting involved? **Email haileylibraryfriends@gmail.com.**

Donation Information
The Friends accept books in good, clean condition, but no textbooks, VHS tapes, or magazines, please. Donations are tax-deductible and can be delivered to Town Center West during the below schedule.

Book Donation Days
Saturday, October 17 to Monday, October 19
10 am to 4 pm

Baked Good Donation Days
Thursday, October 22 to Friday, October 23
9 am to 2 pm

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Be sure to visit us during this year's Halloween Hoopla, Friday, October 30th from 3:30-5:30 pm. We love visiting with all the creative and fun characters that are roaming Main Street. Extra bonus points for book-inspired costumes!

Genre Challenge

October: Horror

Lean into spooky season with some eerie, scary stories.
For every genre challenge book you read, check in at the front desk to be entered to win a $25 Chamber Bucks gift card!



30TH ANNUAL TRAILING OF THE SHEEP FESTIVAL OCT 7- 11

EVERY FALL, HAILEY AND THE WOOD RIVER VALLEY CELEBRATE A TRADITION THAT GOES BACK MORE THAN 150 YEARS: THE TRAILING OF THE SHEEP. BANDS OF SHEEP TRAVEL FROM SUMMER PASTURES, DOWN THROUGH THE VALLEY, AND ON TO WINTER GRAZING AND LAMBING GROUNDS TO THE SOUTH. COME ENJOY THE FESTIVITIES, AND HELP US HONOR THE RANCHING HERITAGE THAT HAS SHAPED OUR COMMUNITY.

LEARN MORE: TRAILINGOFTHESHEEP.ORG



JOIN US FOR TWO EVENTS WITH LOCAL AUTHOR AJ SUPER



AUTHOR TALK

OCTOBER 1
5:30 PM



FICTION WRITING SEMINAR

OCTOBER 15
5:30 PM

Town Center West ● **116 S River Street**

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