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May

Happy Memorial Day

There are still quite a few dogs running around town without a license. If your dog is found "running at large" there is a $50 fine for the first time and it goes up each succeeding time. If your dog(s) are not licensed, there can be a fine for that also. When a dog is picked up that is not licensed then the enforcement officer does not know who to call to get "Fido" back home. Please come in to City Hall and get your dog(s) licensed. City ordinance only allows for three dogs and/or three cats per household and the City does not allow kennels in town. If your dog is lost please, check the city's web site www.wendell.id.gov and go to the Wendell Animal Shelter link. Your dog may be pictured on the website waiting for some one to see them and bring them back home.

Wendell Library

Nate Justice won a movie and a jar of jellybeans for guessing the closest to the number of jellybeans that were actually in the jar. Good job Nate!

The Wendell Public Library Book Club is currently reading "The Art of Racing in the Rain" by Garth Stein. The book club meets at the library at 6:30 pm, on the first Monday of each month. Come and join us.

Building a new fence or putting in a sprinkler system? New addition? New landscaping? Be sure to call IDAHO DIG LINE BEFORE you dig. Call 811 or 1-800-342-1585, or www.digline.com. It usually takes two days to mark your yard and there is no charge for this service. Your yard will be marked for electric, gas, cable, water, sewer, etc. Call before you dig!

Welcome to Wendell

Breathe Day Spa and Salon  68 South Idaho Street
The Skin Factory  46 North Idaho Street
Salud es Vida  26 North Idaho Street
Tips n’ Toes  368 2nd Avenue East
Kelsey’s Kids Childcare  134 East Main Street
Stonebridge Assisted Living  465 North Shoshone Street
New businesses in Wendell. Open now or opening this month.
Stop in and welcome them to town!

Idaho Transportation Department Road work on Idaho Street will begin June 15, 2015

May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

Keep a special lookout for motorcyclists

Irrigation Maintenance fees and Ditch Rider fees were due on April 15th. If you have not yet paid, please do so ASAP before they are turned over to the county tax assessor and added to your property taxes, with a late penalty.
WHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association reminds you of the upcoming "2015 WHS All-Class Reunion”.

Events: Friday, July 10th, 1-5 p.m. Meet at the High School Commons Area for registration and welcome.
Saturday, July 11th, 12-4 p.m, Middle School Cafeteria. Catered picnic lunch and class photos.

Open times on those dates are reserved for individual class reunions / activities.

Registration fees cover the picnic lunch & facility use fees.
Fees are: Adults $25.00 & Children 12 and under $5.00 each
Class photo charge is $10.00 and a WHS Historical DVD will be available at a charge of $5.00.
Due date for registration is June 10th. Late registrations: add $5.00 per person. If you need a registration form, request one from Monte Peterson via email at monpeterson@hotmail.com.

Wendell Recreation District owns a parcel of land that is called "the old football field" or "the soccer field". This athletic field (210 1st East) has been given a name, so watch for the sign going up soon! There will also be a message board at this field, as well as at McGinnis Park, to announce reservations, etc. Also if you see Tom on the mower or in the red Mule, give him a thumbs up, let him know he is appreciated, and when you see Randy Andrus (or any of his family) who has been athletic director for the Rec District, forever, be sure to say thanks!
For reservations at City Park, McGinnis Park
or at the soon to be named athletic field call Ginger @ 539-5754

Wendell High School Graduation
May 27th, 7 PM
Congratulations Seniors!

Magic Valley Dairy Days——June 11th - 13th
for more information contact
Wendell Chamber of Commerce
208-316-7879 or email wendell.cofc@yahoo.com

Idaho Backflow Prevention

What is backflow and what does it have to do with me? Backflow is the reversal of the flow of water in our plumbing systems. The two types of backflow are: back pressure and back siphonation. How does this happen? Backflow can happen when pressure in a water main or a home plumbing system changes. If a fire hydrant is opened, that changes pressure in the water main. Back siphonation can occur when there is negative pressure in a water line, drawing contaminants into our drinking water. Backflow can contaminate your drinking water with non-treated water from something like an irrigation canal, or simply suck in the water pooled around a sprinkler head that has fertilizer on it. Filling your hot tub or a child's wading pool could siphon the water with spa chemicals back through your hose and into your house's plumbing. If you use a garden hose to apply fertilizers or pesticides, they are also susceptible to drawing contaminants into your drinking water. A backflow accident in just one home in a neighborhood has the potential for contaminants to spread into the public water supply.

A backflow prevention assembly is a device that provides a mechanical barrier to backflow. If you have a sprinkler system installed in your yard, you are required by the Idaho State Drinking Water regulations (IDAPA 58.01.08552.6) and Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC 603.3.3) to have an approved backflow assembly installed and annually inspected.

If there is no physical connection between a pressurized irrigation system and a potable water supply, you do not need to have a backflow assembly. If there is ANY connection between the two water supply systems, you do need to have a backflow assembly installed and inspected annually. The best time to inspect your backflow assembly is every spring when you turn your sprinkler system on. There are a number of licensed backflow assembly testers in our area. Check the phone book under "Backflow Prevention" or on-line. You can also come into Wendell City Hall and request a copy of backflow licensed testers. Remember backflow assembly testing must be done by a state-licensed tester. Ask your sprinkler maintenance company if they are licensed before you ask them to test your backflow assembly. Once a licensed tester has completed testing your backflow assembly, the tester should send the results to Wendell City Hall.

State Drinking Water Rules require backflow assemblies be tested every year. The results are on file here in City Hall to certify compliance with those rules. Water service can legally be discontinued to any customer who fails to comply with the annual testing.