

The City Newsletter

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CITY OF JEROME

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City Council

Council meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 pm at Council Chambers, located at 100 East Ave A, Jerome, ID 83338

Council Meets:

- March 3rd
- March 17th
- April 7th
- April 21st

For a copy of the most recent agenda, visit our website or email: sfraser@ci.jerome.id.us

Wastewater Treatment Facility Project Update

Construction of the Emergency Storage Lagoon is still ongoing and on schedule. The lagoon passed the seepage test and crews are approximately 90% done trenching from the lagoon to the Waste Water Treatment Facility. The lagoons have also been hydro seeded. Final connection will be made in the coming months. The Membrane Bio-reactor Project is also underway, Contractors Northwest, Inc. was awarded the project and has begun to mobilize equipment to start construction. They have demoed various concrete structures that needed upgrading for new equipment installation and are preparing to install the new turbo-blower for air supply to the membrane bio-reactors.



If you are traveling on the North 100 West road between now and August 2015, please watch for slow traffic and heavy equipment. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the City of Jerome Wastewater Department at 324-7122. Until next time, have a wonderful St. Patrick's Day!

National Fire Academy

This February I had the privileged opportunity to attend a week long training sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) and the National Fire Academy (NFA) located in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Emmitsburg, Maryland was founded in 1785 and is a relatively small community located in Frederick County. Emmitsburg is home to the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Mount Saint Mary's University, and the National Emergency Training Center (NETC). The NETC campus, which was the former St. Joseph College, is home to the United States Fire Administration, NFA and the Emergency Management Institute. The National Fallen Firefighters Memorial and the National Civil Defense Monument are also on the NETC campus.



The training I received was provided at no cost to the City by federal funds that are made available to fire departments in an ongoing effort to keep the nation's emergency responders trained in various areas of fire administration such as fire prevention, command and control, hazardous materials incident management, arson investigations and many more.

The class room instructors are comprised of current and former members of the nation's fire service who are hand selected from around the country. They all share a passion to impart their knowledge and many years of experience in very specialized areas with the nation's first responders.

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The training I received was enhanced even further by sharing in the diverse experiences of other firefighters from different areas across the country, coast to coast, as we worked through numerous tabletop exercises during the week.

I am very grateful for all who made it possible for me to attend this training, I am confident that the education I received will be applied and shared with other members of the Department, to benefit the City of Jerome in the future.

- Larry Bybee, Part Time Employee Lieutenant, Jerome City Fire Department

What's Happening at the Library

eBooks

You have devices...we have eBooks! Get a library book from the comfort of your home. We would be happy to help you download your first book. Choose something from among our more popular titles like *Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn or *50 Shades of Grey* by E L James. We also have Bill O'Reilly's latest book, *Killing Patton* as well as Chris Kyle's *American Sniper*.

'Make It' Program

'Make It' at the Library is going where it's never gone before! Teen Tech Week is just around the corner, and we will be working on CAD design to create objects for the 3-D printer! Once the makers have completed a design they will be able to schedule a time to come in and print. Teen Tech Week CAD design will be Monday, March 9th from 3:30-5PM. Our makers also got their hands on some Arduino Uno's and breadboards and began to learn the beginning steps of coding. I must say they rocked it! Job well done makers!

This & That

Our This & That participants are really excited to get the science fair running. Each child will have a chance to research at the library, type up their report, and present their science project. On science fair day, March 26th, local scientists will judge the projects based on predetermined criteria!

Spilling Ink Writer's Club

Is your 4th-8th grader a stellar writer or storyteller? Our Spilling Ink Writer's Club is a blast every single week! Each week the children are given a prompt to write about, and they love competing to see who has the funniest, creepiest, or sing-songiest stories. This month, we talked about fiction vs lying and wrote on prompts like, "Think of an incredibly embarrassing moment and rewrite it. Change history!"

Minecraft

Minecraft, Minecraft, Minecraft! The Minecrafters that come in to take advantage of Minecrafternoons really amaze us. They have tremendous skills in building and creating a world that is truly a sight to see. Minecrafternoons take place every Tuesday from 3:30-5PM. No library card? No problem! Students in 1st grade through 12th grade can still come in and enjoy playing with our new and seasoned players!

Flying Needles

Do you like to crochet or knit? "Flying Needles" meets the last Wednesday of every month from 9:30-10:30AM at the library. Bring a project to work on and enjoy some refreshments and wonderful company!

Storytime

Family storytime is always a blast. Join us every Friday at 10AM or 1PM. We always have awesome crafts, music, and stories so come check it out. Can't make it during the week? How about on Saturday? We have added a storytime on the 4th Saturday of the month at 2:30PM.

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Basic Microsoft Word

Struggling to make sense of Microsoft Word? Beginning Monday, March 16th we will be hosting a Basic Microsoft Word class. Preregistration is required.

Don Ritchie Sing-Along

Don Ritchie received great reviews from the 34 children who enjoyed the sing-alongs. If you missed his performance, be sure to catch him again on March 21st at 11:30AM.

If you would like to sign up for one of our programs or have any questions about our services, stop by or call the library at 324-5427.



Jerome School Board of Trustees Election Planned

Guiding the Jerome Joint School District #261 toward excellence is the goal of the five member Board of Trustees. As the district's elected leaders, trustees represent community expectations as they chart the direction of educational programs and services and establish the standard by which success is measured.

Trustees employ the superintendent, approve the budget and monitor expenditures, set the tax rate and may call for a bond or tax rate election. The board also establishes policy for operating the district and ensuring its financial viability. Elected to serve, without compensation, for overlapping terms of four years each, the trustees currently serving on the school board are Don Mitchell, Chairman, Zone 3; Esther Peters, Vice-Chairman, Zone 2; Alice Thibault, Zone 1; Byron Burnham, Zone 4; and John Crozier, Zone 5.

Elections are conducted in May of odd numbered years. Candidates run for specific zones, and each trustee represents the Jerome School District. The board annually elects a chairman and vice-chairman at the organizational meeting for the election of officers held in July. The trustees meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month; meetings begin at 6PM. Work sessions and special meetings are occasionally held. Jerome School District board meetings are open to the public, within the limits of the Idaho Open Meetings Act. However, parts of the board meetings, such as consideration of personnel matters, student issues and legal matters, may be closed to the public.

In May of 2015, Zones 3, 4 and 5 will be on the ballot, as those terms will end June 30, 2015. In May 2017, Zones 1 and 2 will be on the ballot for election. Any citizen living in Zones 3, 4 or 5, may pick up a candidate packet from the Jerome Jt. School District Administration offices at 125 4th Avenue West. The deadline to declare candidacy is March 20, 2015. For zone or candidate information, contact Lorri Prescott, District Clerk, at 324-2392 x 1010.

Urban Renewal Agency: Public Notice

The Jerome Urban Renewal Agency is seeking public comment regarding the report of its activities for the calendar year ended December 31, 2014. The report contains narrative descriptions of activities as well as financial statements. The report is accessible to the public at the Office of the City Clerk, 152 East Ave. A, Jerome, ID 83338 or on the city's website at www.ci.jerome.id.us. A public meeting will be held by the Jerome Urban Renewal Board of Commissioners on March 19, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at the Jerome City Council Chambers located at 100 East Ave. A, Jerome, at which time public comment is welcome. You may also submit comment in writing to Executive Director Mike Williams at 152 East Ave. A, Jerome, ID 83338 or via e-mail to mwilliams@ci.jerome.id.us.

JRD PEE WEE INTRO TO SPORTS

SATURDAYS 9:00AM-9:45AM



May 9, 16, 23, 30

Register March 16th- May 9th

Ages 3-5years old

Must be 3 on or before May 9, 2015

\$15.00 In District/\$25 Out of District

Intro to sports is designed to introduce your preschooler to the sports baseball, basketball, soccer and tennis. The 4 week program will focus on skill work in each sport, team building in a noncompetitive environment and will teach the characteristics of quality sportsmanship. All classes will be held at the JRD. You can register at the JRD office, by phone, or online at jeromerecreationdistrict.com



Class Schedule

May 8th -Baseball

May 16th -Basketball

May 23rd -Soccer

May 30th - Tennis

Call 324-3389 for
 questions

Senior Center Events

The Senior Center invites you to attend the following events:

Muscular Strength & Range of Movement – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10:30AM

Card Tournament – March 28th, \$8 entry fee; Lunch 12PM, Cards start at 1PM. Come join us for an exciting competition. Pre-register by contacting Julie at 324-5642.

Come enjoy lunch at the Senior Center! Ricky Lee will be performing during the lunch hour on Mondays.


Please contact the Senior Center at 324-5342 for information on specific events or to register for upcoming events.

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CSI Community Education



Save Time and Money

If your COMPASS score indicates you need 0-Level classes
(020, 099, 015, 025, etc.)

You have another option!

ABE College Readiness Classes

Prepare for English 101, Math 108, Math 123

- ✓ No tuition or registration fees
- ✓ Study materials at no cost to student
- ✓ Emphasis on the Reading/Writing connection
 - ✓ Day & evening classes
 - ✓ 8-week terms - Progress quickly!

CSI COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO

For more information call **732-6534**
or visit in Room 201, Meyerhoeffer Building

DOG OBEDIENCE with Donna Stalley

Through positive reinforcement and behavior modification, you will socialize and train your dog in basic obedience and beginning agility training. Goals of this class include better mannered and socialized dogs and more educated and empowered owners. Proof of vaccinations, a leash, & collar required.

**Jerome Fair Grounds
Messersmith Building**

December 2

**Tuesdays & Thursday
March 24th - April 14th
6 to 7pm**

Register at (208)324-5101 or
<http://community.ed.csi.edu>

CSI COMMUNITY EDUCATION Center
NATIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE NETWORK



Space Is Limited – Register Now!

Cost: \$69

Jerome School District News

Congratulations to the Jerome High School Debate Team! Thanks to all of the teachers and students who helped out. Here are more results from this school year.

January 30-31 - Madison Invitational **Debate Results**

2nd place (Lincoln-Douglas Debate) - Eddie Encinas
5th place (Congressional Debate) - Michael Morgado
10th place (Public Forum Debate) - Melvin Torres and Logan Groves

Speech Results

1st place (Retold Story) - Eddie Encinas
3rd place (Impromptu Speaking) - Eddie Encinas
6th place (U.S. Extemporaneous) - Paige Thompson
8th place (Expository Speaking) - Michael Morgado



Jerome High School was featured in the Magic Valley Times on February 22nd because the school resurrected The Roaring Times student newspaper after a five-year absence. At this time it is available online only and it can be accessed at www.jhsroaringtimes.org.

You can support our classrooms through Donor's Choose. This allows teachers to acquire funding for the items they need to have a more successful school year. To donate, please go to www.DonorcsChoose.org and on the left hand side, search for Jerome, Idaho.

If you would like to make a donation to the Jerome School District, please contact the school or Dr. Love at 324-2392 or via e-mail Brendalynn.Love@jeromeschools.org.

MARCH EVENTS

EVENTS AROUND TOWN

American Legion Auxiliary meeting, March 5th, 4PM, American Legion Hall, North Lincoln and Seventh Street East. 324-5322

Jerome Civic Club meeting, March 10th, 1PM, Jerome Public Library. All women are welcome. We support the Library and CASA. 421-6632

Friends of the Jerome Library meeting, March 12th, 10AM, Jerome Public Library. 324-5427

Jerome County Historical Society, March 12th, 6PM, Depot Museum, 212 East 1st Ave, Jerome. 324-5641 or 421-6632.

Idaho Writers League Twin Falls area chapter meeting March 21st, 10AM, KMVT Community Room on Blue Lakes North in Twin Falls. Will be discussing this year's 75th Anniversary celebration of Idaho Writer's League. 324-4813 or 421-6632

Jerome Optimist-Kiwanis-Rotary Easter Egg Hunt, April 4th, 10AM, Jerome Forsyth Park, 8th Ave East and Tiger Drive. Come rain, shine or snow, the Clubs have come together to purchase 4,000 eggs to be laid out for children ages 0 to 6th grade. Prizes will be given to special eggs and candy for all participants. Donations are still being collected for the Easter Baskets and candy hand-outs. For more information contact Sheri 308-3264 or Julie 308-2750.

EMPLOYMENT ANNIVERSARIES

The City of Jerome would like to thank our employees with March anniversary dates for their years of service:

• Dennis Arbaugh – Public Works Tech II	25 years
• Dave Richey – Building Official	25 years
• Steve Hoffman – Public Works Tech II	18 years
• Patrick Wilson – Police Detective	10 years
• Sean Kirk – Fire Lieutenant	8 years
• Kelly Lee – Wastewater Collections Lead Op	8 years
• Michael Harrison – Fire Lieutenant	6 years
• Matthew Dunn – Public Works Tech	5 years



**Jerome
Recreation
District**

February Kid's Night

- March 12
- 7-9PM
- 4 – 15 years old
- Must pre-register by March 11

Spring Ladies' Night Out

- March 19
- 6-9PM
- There will be vendors, refreshments, mini exercise classes and more
- Admission and refreshments are Free!

Spring Soccer

- Register through March 16
- Must be 4 yrs. by April 11, 2015 – 4th grade
- 4 week season

Youth Volleyball Clinic

- 5th – 8th grade
- Tuesday & Thursday 5-6PM

Tumbling

- March 4, 11 and 18
- Aerials 5PM
- Twisters 5:45PM

Check out the website for class schedules and the latest JRD information:

www.jeromerecreationdistrict.com

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