



NEWS FROM THE CITY



Fun in February



Working at the Break of Dawn

Taken by Justin Angell

February blew in quickly with snow on the tail end of several very cold days that closed out a blustery January. Our streets department worked tirelessly to plow the roads in Ashton and remove as much of the snow and ice from our roads as possible. We are very grateful for the exceptional work that these employees accomplish for our community.

These weather conditions also bring unique issues with vehicle parking for members of the

community and visitors alike. Please be aware of where you are parking your vehicles. There is no parking on roadways, unless in designated parking areas. With the accumulation of the snow, parking along the city easements and right of ways can also lead to issues with the city snow plows.

February 2023

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March 2023

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April 2023

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Calendar Key

City Council Meeting	Yellow
Public Hearing	Light Blue
Planning Zoning Meeting	Blue
Utility Bill Payment Due Date	Red
Utility Bill Mailing Date	Green
City Building Closed	Orange
Holiday Garbage Pickup	Purple

Ashton Library Quilt Show

Free to the public
Feb. 16th – 18th
 Hours: Thurs. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
 Fri. 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.
 Saturday 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Classes

Wed. Feb. 15th at 2 p.m.
 Quilting with Minky

Friday, Feb. 17th at 3 p.m.
 Tricky Corners

Saturday, Feb. 18th at 10 a.m.
 Basic Quilting

All classes will be held in the Wheat Room and are free to the public
 For more information, please call **208-652-7280**
 Ashton City Library is located
 925 Main St., Ashton Idaho

Come in from the cold and enjoy the unique artistry on display at the Ashton Library Quilt Show!!

Free to Everyone!!!!

Meet the City of Ashton's newest employee!

Justin Angell is the City of Ashton's newest employee! He will be working in Public Works as the Wastewater Supervisor.

Justin grew up in Gillete, Wyoming then moved to Island Park and found his way to Ashton, where he lives with his two dogs, Roy and Ruby.

Everyone at the City is excited to welcome him aboard!



Don't let the Cold Freeze you out!!

Even with the rising temperatures, Ashton is still experiencing some very cold temperatures. During this time of year frost lines can deepen and the possibility of frozen pipes is still a concern.

Please do not hesitate to leave water trickling from faucets during this time.

Any questions please contact the city offices for more information.



Ashton Police Department

Our department has become increasingly busy with traffic stops involving illicit illegal drugs. We have had five drug-related possession offenses in just the last week. Because of the legalization of medical and recreational marijuana in our bordering states, there is a considerable amount of personal use of illegal drugs traveling through our community, being used in our community, and being brought into our schools. Our drug-related incidents have

substantially increased.

Some may consider marijuana “not a big deal” in our community. The fact is marijuana on the market today is not like the marijuana from earlier generations. Marijuana on the market today is super potent and as a result super addictive. Marijuana today can be easily laced with any number of illicit dangerous drugs such as Fentanyl, methamphetamine, heroin, and ecstasy. Fentanyl as we know is

now an epidemic causing deaths worldwide. Laced marijuana looks no different from marijuana that has not been laced. An individual could ingest Fentanyl or other dangerous substance without being aware of it.

Please share this information with your children!



FREE TO THE PUBLIC AMERICANDOGDERBY.COM

2023
American Dog Derby
Ashton, Idaho February 17-18

THE OLDEST DOG SLED RACE IN THE LOWER 48

RACE TO BE HELD IN ASHTON, SNOW CONDITIONS PERMITTING OR BEAR GULCH IF NOT

MUSHERS EVENTS
RACES START FRI SAT 8:30 A.M.
-AWARDS CEREMONY AT STARTING AREA AFTER RACES

SPECTATOR EVENTS
- MEET THE MUSHERS THUR 2-7 PM
- SOUP CHALLENGE FRI @ 5PM
- CHILDREN'S SNOWSHOE RACE
- MUTT RUN - WEIGHT PULL
Souvenirs available at meet the mushers and soup challenge events.

HISTORIC RACES
MUSHER RACES, NOVICE YOUTH RACE, JUNIOR RACE, & SKIJORING

Events subject to changes due to snow conditions. Check our website or Facebook page for updates.
ADVERTISING AND VENDING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE - FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
John Scafe - Race Director Phone: 208-360-0988 Email: racedirector@americandogderby.com

Ashton at Sunrise

By Michelle Smith



Thoughts from the Preparedness Corner

Have you ever taken a moment to think about what you and your family would do if an emergency occurred and you were separated from each other? Would your children know how to contact other family members or family friends if an adult is not available? Have you created a safe meeting place if your family is unable to go home? Do you care for elderly family members or someone with special health care needs?

These are just a few questions that can lead to some awesome discussion within your family about preparing to meet some unique challenges that may suddenly arise.













Preparing for emergencies that may occur doesn't have to be a chore and can lead to some great learning opportunities for all members of your family.

Think small and simple to start. Create a Family Communication Plan. This simple exercise provides an opportunity to think of the many situations, small or large, that may result in family members not being in the same place at the time of an emergency.

Think of alternative methods of communication, like texting instead of calling. Texts often can be sent and received when calling is problematic.

Be creative, think outside the box and make sure to encourage all members of your family to participate.

12 WAYS TO PREPARE

 Sign up for Alerts and Warnings	 Make a Plan	 Save for a Rainy Day	 Practice Emergency Drills	 Test Family Communication Plan	 Safeguard Documents
 Plan with Neighbors	 Make Your Home Safer	 Know Evacuation Routes	 Assemble or Update Supplies	 Get Involved in Your Community	 Document and Insure Property



Don't forget about the pets in your family? It is also important to plan for any pets that are a part of your family.



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Regular City Council meetings are held each month on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. For specific dates & other meeting information please refer to our website: www.cityofashton.com

Ready. **2023 CALENDAR**

More resources at www.ready.gov/calendar.
Find toolkits at www.ready.gov/toolkits.

JAN ✓ Resolve to Be Ready. Winter Safety. National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.	FEB 📺 National Canned Food Month. Winter Safety. Valentine's Day.	MAR ☁️ "It's Not Lost" Campaign. Spring and Flood Safety. National Nutrition Awareness Week.
APR 💰 National Financial Capability Month. Severe Weather Safety. #Ask4Resilience Day.	MAY 🔥 National Wildlife Awareness Month. National Hurricane Preparedness Week. Don't Try Day.	JUN 🐱 Pet Preparedness Month. Summer and Extreme Heat Safety. National Learning Styles Awareness Week.
JUL 🚒 Fireworks Safety. Extreme Heat Safety.	AUG 🍎 Back to School - Children & Youth Preparedness. Extreme Heat Safety. International Overdose Awareness Day.	SEP 🍂 National Preparedness Month.
OCT 🔒 Colorado's Awareness Month. National Fire Prevention Week. Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drills.	NOV 🍲 Thanksgiving Cooking Safety. Holiday Online Shopping Safety. Winter Weather Safety.	DEC ❄️ Resolve to Be Ready. National Influenza Vaccination Week. Winter Safety. Holiday Fire Safety. Holiday Online Shopping Safety. National App Day.