



Ashton, Idaho
Chamber of Commerce

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Independence Day was celebrated in small town Ashton style once again. Beginning with the Rotary Breakfast at the City Park, followed by an impressive flyover by the Legacy Flight Museum from Rexburg, then came our beautiful parade, “Monuments of Independence,” with Wayne & Hannah McCausey, owners of the Frostop, as our Grand Marshals. Following the parade with horses, floats, classic cars, Farm Bureau’s chocolate milk, and the clown on the motorcycle with the bouncy balls; everyone migrated to the City Park. There, our American Legion Post 89, provided the flag ceremony; James and Meilei Eidam provided the great entertainment; and many enjoyed the classic car show and the many booths with both food and crafts available. That evening, the community enjoyed the fireworks that we fundraised for in May, as they were lit off by our very own North Fremont Fire Department. It was another great 4th of July in the Ashton Area! We are excited to congratulate Rob Jones Construction for winning 1st place in the float category in the parade. We would also like to congratulate the Ashton 3rd Ward for winning 2nd place and the Methodist Church for winning 3rd place. We truly appreciate all those who took the time to decorate and be a part of the parade. We also are grateful to the Ashton Police, the Lion’s Club, and to our many volunteers who helped keep everyone safe during the parade. It couldn’t have happened without each of you. Thank you!

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alive! They have 4 cabins; each with two bedrooms, microwave, refrigerator, and a coffee pot. Plus 6 other rooms. All their rooms have cable T.V. They have been working very hard to give their business a facelift and to upkeep the landscaping with new flower beds and a business sign depicting the heritage. In 2022, the Rankin Motel was listed on the National Historic Register of Places.

- Visit News 8 for a video here:
<https://bit.ly/3VUe2oL>
- Read more on Post Register here:
<https://bit.ly/4bzolZ5>

So, if you have family or friends that need a place to rest on their way to Yellowstone Park or over to the beautiful Grand Tetons; have them make Rankin Motel their destination for a rest! For reservations call (208) 652-3570 and they'll leave the light on!

Check out their website as well:
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Every Wed. - Ashton Rotary noon
- July 3 - Island Park Chamber of Commerce Mtg. 6pm @ Timbers at Island Park
- 2nd & 4th Wednesday - Food Pantry - 5-7pm
- July 17 - St. Anthony Chamber of Commerce Mtg. - 6:30pm
- July 18 - Ashton Chamber of Commerce Mtg. Noon @ Main Office Conference Room



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- Open Swim at the Pool – 1-5 PM - Monday through Saturday - \$4.50 per swimmer
- Night Swim at the Pool – 6-8 PM starting July 9th and every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday until the pool closes - \$3 per swimmer
- City Council Meeting - July 10, 2024 – 6 pm
- City P&Z Commission Meeting – July 18, 2024 – 7 pm

ASHTON LIBRARY EVENTS

- We will have STORY HOUR at 11am on Tuesdays. The SUMMER READING PROGRAM PARTY for the children is Tues. July 23rd at 11 am and then we won't have story hour till after Labor Day.

Information deadline for the Newsletter is due by 8 AM on the Friday prior to the first week of the month. Please email anything you would like posted to newsletter@ashtonidaho.com or leave a message at (208) 652-3355.



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