Welcome to our fall edition! I hope you had a wonderful summer with family and friends, and are now enjoying the cooler fall weather. We have so much to be thankful for in Caldwell. Looking ahead to the next few months, there are many fun and family-friendly activities to enjoy, starting with the Caldwell Police Department Halloween event at O’Connor on Halloween Day. This is followed by Rake Up Caldwell, the Veterans Day celebration, the Winter Wonderland Festival, and the Night Light Parade, to name just a few. The ice ribbon at the Indian Creek Plaza will also be open for the ice skating season beginning in November. You may want to clip the listing of calendar events on page 3 so you don’t miss anything.

We are very thankful for our veterans. This Veteran’s Day, on November 11th, remember the men and women who fought bravely and with honor to defend our freedoms in the past, as well as those currently serving our country today. We are also intensely grateful for our Police Officers and Firefighters, who give their time and talents to keep our community safe.

I am so proud to be a part of this community. We can all have a part in building our community through getting involved in what we are passionate about — service projects, youth organizations, worthy causes, or volunteer opportunities in our great city. Take time with your friends and families to enjoy the holidays. Let’s make this a season of giving, forgiving, and gathering together with thankful hearts. Enjoy the holidays and Merry Christmas!

~Garret

Mayor’s Walking Challenge Shout Out to Jefferson Middle School students! Not only were they very welcoming and organized, but they also paired up to walk with the Mayor two at a time for some two-on-one interactions. Each pair of students discussed with the Mayor a question they had (for example: “What is the best degree to prepare to be a Mayor”, or “What’s the best part of your job?”) then they would give way to the next pair—what a great idea!
Indian Creek Festival! Dog parade, Entertainment, Cardboard Kayak Races, Chalk Art Contest; more!

If you missed the Indian Creek Festival, here are a few pictures of some of the happenings—a great time for all! (Photo credits this page: Destination Caldwell)

You can see videos of Saturday activities, plus the Friday night events—the Car Cruise and the Dog Parade—by going to our website! Hover over “Live” on the main navigation bar, then click on the video archive under the ‘City of Caldwell Events’ heading. Find ‘2018 Indian Creek Festival’ and click — the video will load below.

Or if you’re already online, click on this link: Indian Creek Festival 2018
Welcome New Hires!

- Alex Roman—P/T Cashier, Water/Finance Dept.
- Jeff Baxter—Chemical/Park Maintenance Specialist, Parks Department
- Joseph Dupree—Crew Chief, Fairview Golf Course
- Thomas Miller—GIS Technician, Mapping Dept.
- Brian Ashton—Operator-in-Training, WWTP
- Roy Henson—Lab Technician, WWTP
- Rita Keeton—Lab Technician, WWTP
- Joshua Duncan—Operator-in-Training, Water Department
- Matthias Hansch—Sweeper Operator, Street Dept.
- Edgar Dejo-Ferrer—Maintenance Worker, Street Department
- Rhonda Miralles-Schneider—P/T Accounts Payable Specialist, Finance Department
- Kim Kelly—Administrative Secretary, Airport
- Jeanette Geleich—HR/Finance Generalist, Human Resources and Finance
- Jesus Renteria—Sports Coordinator, Recreation Department
- Terri Wachter—Records Specialist, Building Dept.

Fire and Police new hires are identified on their respective pages.

Congratulations to City employees promoted through transfers!

- Kresta Smout—Administrative Secretary, Street Department
- Martha Acevedo-Castillo—Permit Technician, Building Department

Events and Dates to Remember

- Sacajawea Community School Trunk or Treat 10am-12pm Oct 27
- Annual Halloween Party at O’Connor 6-8pm (page 9) Oct 31
- Daylight Savings Time Ends Nov 4
- Election Day—VOTE! Nov 6
- Holiday Bazaar at O’Connor Nov 9 and 10
- Rake Up Caldwell (page 4) Nov 10
- Ice Skating opens at Indian Creek Plaza (www.indiancreekplaza.com/skating/) Nov 10
- Veteran’s Day Celebration (see page 14) Nov 11
- Winter Wonderland Festival 6-9pm (See page 15) Nov 16
- Thanksgiving Holiday—City offices will be closed Nov 22 & 23
- Canyon County Festival of Trees at the Idaho Center (www.canyoncountyfestivaloftrees.com) Nov 23 -26
- Night Light Parade (www.caldwellchamber.org) Dec 1
- Nutcracker Ballet at Jewett Auditorium (C of I) 7 pm Dec 4 and 5
- Christmas Holiday—all City offices will be closed Dec 24 & 25
- New Year’s Day—all City offices will be closed Jan 1 2019

City News, The Mayor’s Quarterly Newsletter is published quarterly in January, April, July, and October. For questions or comments, please contact: Angie Point, Newsletter Editor; email: apoint@cityofcaldwell.org
Paying your water/sewer/trash bill:
In person: pay at City Hall, 411 Blaine Street in Caldwell. Office hours are 7:30am—5:00pm Monday through Friday.

Phone bill pay (have your bill in front of you): 208-455-3000 ext. 1 OR 855-212-9355

Website bill pay: www.cityofcaldwell.org (hover your mouse over “I want to” then click on “make a payment or donation”)

Notes from the Water Department:
Water, Sewer, and Garbage rate increases went into effect on Oct. 1, 2018. For a copy of the new rates, visit our website: cityofcaldwell.org, and search “water/sewer rates”

The residential sewer rate is based on the amount of water used in the months of December January and February. The average of these 3 months will determine what your sewer cost will be for the upcoming year.

The winter average for the 2019–2020 year will take effect 4/1/2019 and end on 3/31/2020.

Customer Service: For billing questions, or to stop/start services, call 208-455-3000, ext. 1.
Keeping kids safe on Halloween
Halloween is fun for people of all ages, but it’s important that you and your children remain safe. Sgt. Doug Winfield of the Caldwell Police Department offers these safety tips for individuals wishing to go trick-or-treating in the neighborhood:

Costume Safety:
- Bright, reflective, flame retardant clothing
- Use face paint, rather than masks to avoid obstructing your vision
- Avoid floppy hats or wigs that slide down over eyes, and oversized costumes.
- Avoid toy weapons if possible.

General Safety:
- Consider Halloween parties hosted by cities, or community groups as a safe alternative to door-to-door trick-or-treating.
- Never go into homes—stay on the porch
- Avoid homes that don’t have outside lights turned on.
- Never talk to strangers or get into strangers’ cars while out trick-or-treating
- Discard all unwrapped or loosely wrapped items, and cut into fruit.
- If in doubt, throw it out.

Annual Halloween party at O’ Connor on Halloween night from 6-8 pm; bring the kids! More info on page 10

K9 training was held at the Caldwell swimming pool. Our newest K-9, Rex (black and on the far right) kept up pretty well!

The Caldwell Police Department K-9 program will be putting on a Corn Hole Tournament on October 13 at the Indian Creek Plaza. This fundraiser for the K-9 program will help in building a new K-9 facility for training. A huge shout out to Franklin Building Supply for donating to the cause. Your generosity will go to supplying the fencing around the new K-9 facility. Thank you for your support!

Matthew Rapattoni was sworn in Sept. 21st. Matthew came to us from Hawaii and will be a great addition to our team.

We would also like to welcome Tyler Lanhee to our Patrol Officer ranks. WELCOME to the CPD family Matthew and Tyler!

Never too early to think about your future profession...

Chief Wyant, Sgt. Kershaw, and Officer Clinger made an appearance at Raejen Camp’s 5th birthday party. Only 16 more years and Raejean could be riding that Harley as an officer. You can’t start recruiting too early!
Many thanks to the Women’s Golf Association for their commitment to donate trees to replace the ones that have died over the last few years. Pictured on the left is the first tree donated and planted. The Women’s Golf Association also provides the hanging floral baskets on the back patio of the Club House. Thank you ladies— your efforts are greatly appreciated!

It’s October . . . the Mayor’s Walking Challenge is in full swing . . . students are very enthusiastic and stepping up to the challenge!
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Fire Department Updates:

A big Caldwell welcome to our newest Firefighters: Gino Galli and Jeremy Sawmiller, shown here in training mode.

October is Fire Prevention month. This is a good time to discuss safety with members of your household. Having a Fire escape plan and regular Fire Drills in your home are helpful tools.

Fire Escape Plan

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS ON NOVEMBER 4TH. As we change our clocks, it is important to also remember to update our smoke detectors and batteries. Detectors more than 10 years old should be replaced, as the sensor inside will lose capability over time.

The Caldwell Fire Department will be going out to all the schools with Fire Prevention Presentations in the next few weeks; please follow up with your children about some of the lessons learned.

Proper use of a fire extinguisher, and knowing which type is right for different areas of your home, office, or garage, are important elements of fire prevention training.
City Code reminders:

- Trash cans shall be placed at the curbside for collection only on regularly scheduled collection days.
- Trash cans should NOT be placed on any public sidewalk on collection days.
- Trash cans shall be stored at least twenty-five feet (25’) from any public street except on regularly scheduled collection days.
- It shall be the duty and responsibility of every property owner to construct, repair and maintain in a safe, nonhazardous condition any sidewalk on City streets that front the property which he or she owns.
- Personal property of any kind shall not be stored on a public sidewalk.
- It shall be the duty and responsibility of every property owner to clear all ice, snow, rubbish, or other debris from sidewalks along City streets that front the property which he or she owns.
- Snow and ice shall be removed in a timely manner following a storm, but shall not be piled so that it obstructs the travel lanes of the street or sidewalk, nor shall snow removed from private parking areas be piled upon City rights of way or on private property from which permission has not been obtained.
- The dumping of personal property on any public property or right of way area or other private property is strictly prohibited. Property owners adjacent to such property are responsible for removal.

For more information, or to register a complaint, visit cityofcaldwell.org/departments/planning-zoning/code-enforcement
From the Caldwell Youth Forum event team: A huge **THANK YOU** to our financial and product donation sponsors; without them we would not have the opportunity to motivate and equip students to promote positive change in their schools.

- The College of Idaho
- Air Comfort
- Valli Information Systems
- Caldwell Kiwanis Club
- Jacksons Food Stores
- Intermountain Gas
- Love Caldwell
- Carpenter’s Screen Printing
- Dutch Bros (#DB2C)

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**Retiring – We wish you well!**

- **Roger Lemrich**, Water Dept  
  11 years, August 1, 2018
- **Kathy Schara**, Airport,  
  11 years, Oct 15, 2018
- **Darr Johnson**, Fire Captain  
  29 years, Oct 16, 2018
- **Mary Hawker**, Street Dept  
  36 years, Dec 17, 2018

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**Caldwell Police Dept. HALLOWEEN PARTY**

**Wednesday, October 31st**

6:00pm-8:00pm  
(for ages up to 12yrs old)

Safe, Ghoulisht Games!  
Freaky Fun!  
Prizes, Candy, Bingo,  
Bounce house, Bounce slide,  
Bounce obstacle course,  
Cookie walk, Sucker board  
and lots more.

O’Connor Field House  
22nd & Blaine, Caldwell  
For more information:  
455-3115
Van Slyke Museum News:
Canyon County awarded the Caldwell Historical Society $30,000 to pave three display pads in the expansion area of the Van Slyke museum. Once these areas are paved, the agricultural equipment will be arranged and grouped for public exhibition. Walking paths and bleachers are scheduled for 2020.

Plans to restore the 1882 wood caboose and 1917 refrigerator car are also in the near future for the Van Slyke Museum.

This year, a canopy cover for the bleachers, as well as a storage shed will be installed.

Questions? Contact Susan Miller at 455-3000 or smiller@cityofcaldwell.org

COMING SOON:
Caldwell’s Mayoral History

Learn about the Mayors of our City each quarter! The next quarterly newsletter will feature:

- Howard Sebree, first Mayor in 1893 & ninth Mayor in 1901.
- M.B. Gwinn, second Mayor in 1894 & fourth Mayor in 1896

New Board for the 2018-19 school year:

Seated in front: Jennifer Tobar, Secretary (CHS)
Left to right: Madison Smith, Vice Chair (CHS) and Macy Rampinini, Historian (CHS)
Back left to right: Joseph Tibesar, Treasurer (TJCS) and Seth Siple, Chair (TJCS)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
MYAC Annual Fundraiser Dinner
February 16, 2019, 5:30-8:30pm
at Indian Creek Steakhouse

The Mayor’s Youth Advisory Council’s mission is to empower youth by engaging them in community service, the decision-making process, and leadership within their community.
RECREATION NEWS

Kids Cook with Books
Roberts Recreation Center Kitchen
Ages: 4 – 8 years   Time: 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.   Fee: $10
Reading books together is not only fun but it exposes kids to culture and language. This class consists of reading your children’s favorite stories and creating a themed recipe inspired from the text.

November 8 - “A Turkey for Thanksgiving” – Author – Eve Bunting
December 6 - “A Wish to be a Christmas Tree” – Author- Colleen Monroe

On-going monthly youth programs for Gymnastics, Karate, Ballet, Hip-Hop, Cheer, and Boxing are held at the Roberts Recreation Center. Call Caldwell Recreation at 208-455-3060 for more information!

YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

5th & 6th Grade:  Registration Deadline: Dec. 21 , Fee is $40  Separate leagues for boys and girls. Games will be held at Lewis & Clark and Washington Elementary Schools. Each player will receive a team jersey.

1st & 2nd Grade Basketball Clinic:  Deadline: Jan 11th , Fee $25  Each student will receive a basketball. Held Saturdays at Sacajawea Elementary, January 12—February 2.

Turkey Hoop Shoot—Registration deadline is November 14th. Boys and girls compete separately in a free throw competition held at Lewis & Clark Elementary School. Each player will receive a treat bag and will be entered to win a raffle prize. Fee is only $5!

Bake & Decorate Christmas Cookies Afternoon
Roberts Recreation Center Kitchen   December 15, 2018 from 12:00noon – 4:00 pm
Ages: 6 – 12 years   Limit 10 students   Fee: $25.00
Come join us for an afternoon of Christmas cookie fun! You will learn how to bake sugar cookies from scratch and then use a cookie cutter to get the Christmas shapes you desire. We will then bake and decorate them using many different types of candies and frosting colors. Come meet some new friends and learn how to do something super fun!
Park Reservations:
Reservations for the Memorial Park Band Shelter, Luby Park Gazebo, Rose Garden, Mallard Park Picnic Shelters, Pipe Dream Park Gazebo, and the Caldwell Municipal Pool can be made up to one year in advance. Call the Parks & Recreation office at 455-3060 for fees and availability for your 2019 event.

Park Restrooms:  Park restrooms will be winterized and closed for the season by October 30th. Restrooms will reopen in April, or earlier if weather permits.

Spotlight on Lions Park

Lions Park (formerly Jaycee Park) is a small two-acre park located west of and adjacent to the Interstate 84 corridor. Lions Park has restrooms, basketball courts, playgrounds, landscaping, mature pine trees, and picnic areas. Lions Park was renamed in 2016 when the Caldwell Lions Club and the City of Caldwell agreed to partner together in their efforts to make needed improvements to the park’s facilities and grounds. New/additional trees and a new sign became part of the park in 2017; further improvements are on the horizon.
Special Events:

Baby Sign: Tuesday, October 16, 23 and 30 at 11:15 am. Ages 0-5.

Homeschool Book Club. October – May. Second Tues., 2-3 p.m. Readers age 6-18. Contact Fiona for information on books and groups (fmay@cityofcaldwell.org).

Pokémon Club. Sept – April. One Saturday monthly, 2-3:30 p.m. Ages 7-18. Learn the trading card game, test your skill against others. Bring your deck if you have one; a few decks available to borrow. Sept. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 3, Dec. 1.

Meet the Author: Wed., Oct. 3 at 10:30 and 4:30. Children’s book author, Jylene Morgan, will read her books. 10:30 reading for preschoolers; 4:30 program for kids age 5-12.


Middle School Art Show: Saturday, Dec. 8 from 11 am to 1 pm. Enjoy artwork from Syringa and Jefferson middle school students.

Ongoing weekly programs:

Storytime: Babies on Mondays ages 0-1 at 10:30 and ages 1-2 at 11:00am
Preschoolers on Tues and Wed (ages 2-5) at 10:30am

Music & Movement 11:15 am
Wednesdays (ages 2-5)

Afterschool Fun: Wednesdays at 4:30pm (ages 5-11). Crafts, games, board games, and fun activities for school-age kids.

Gaming: Mondays 4:30pm (ages 9-18) Play on WiiU and PS4

Teen Thursdays: Thursdays at 4 pm (grades 6-12). Creating, building, and tinkering.

Family movie, one Saturday per month from 2-4 pm, September through April.
Watch a family-friendly movie on the big screen and enjoy free popcorn. Ages 4 and up!

Oct 27th: Hotel Transylvania 3 (shown at 10:30 am).

November 24th to be announced
December 1st to be announced

Noon Year’s Eve Party.
Mon., Dec. 31, 11 a.m.-12:30 pm. All ages. Like to celebrate New Year, but don’t want to stay up until midnight? Crafts, snacks, activities, and a countdown ... to noon!

Teen Science Café
Snake River Birds of Prey
Thursday Oct 25th from 4:00—5:30 pm
Grades 6-12

Free pizza! Meet a scientist and try a hands-on activity.
Veterans Day Celebration
100th Anniversary of the 1918 Armistice
In Partnership with City of Caldwell & Caldwell Elks BPOE 1448

Caldwell Veterans Memorial Hall
1101 Cleveland Blvd.
Nov. 11th at 11:00am

Guest Speaker
Steve Exceen of Ride For 22

Refreshments
Color Guard by the Sea Cadets
Tours to Follow the Presentation

We the Family is your Caldwell source for free, local events! Check out the Facebook page (@WeTheFamilyCaldwell) for all the latest updates on events coming soon, or free resources for you family. There’s a post right now for free pumpkins! Learn more about We the Family through the Facebook page and the City of Caldwell website page (cityofcaldwell.org/live/youth-master-plan/we-the-family)

Congratulations to Keri Smith-Sigman on her selection as the new CEO for Destination Caldwell!

Though we will miss her cheerful spirit around City Hall, we wish her the best as she steps into this new role. Many more details are available at the Destination Caldwell website (under newsroom): https://www.destinationcaldwell.com/blog
Most of the downtown businesses will be open for this event, any many will have discounts and/or door-prize drawings, so stop in and see what they have to offer!

There’s a better way: take the Winter Wonderland Shuttle! 5:30 – 9:00 pm

Thanks to our friends at Metro Community Services, you don’t have to find a place to park 6 blocks away, then walk that same 6 blocks to get to the Winter Wonderland Festival on November 16. Take the shuttle! You can park in the O’Connor parking lot (21st and Blaine), then catch the shuttle right there. The shuttle will drop you off near the Luxe Reel Theater (9th and Arthur), and will run every 15 minutes until you are ready to get back to your car and go home. Saves time, and your legs!