



**Chamber Of Commerce**  
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# July



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## Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce



### Ashton's 4th of July Celebration!

**"Here We Have Idaho!"**  
 In honor of Idaho's 150th!



**July 3—Ashton Rotary Sponsored  
 Culpepper & Merriweather Circus at the  
 old NFHS football field.  
 Showtimes: 5 & 7:30pm.**

**July 4—Rotary Breakfast in City Park  
 7-9am.**

**Parade—10:00am**

**Grand Marshal: Odie Kent and his Family**

**Line up at old NFHS parking lot @ 8:30am**

**Following Parade in City Park**

**Flag Ceremony, Music, Booths, Food & Fun!  
 Classic Car Show: Dedicated in Memory of  
 Mike Rasmussen**

**NFHS All Class Reunion  
 North Fremont High School @ 2pm**



**Fireworks  
 North Fremont Soccer Field @ 10pm**



**Information or questions:**

Linda Janssen -313-5654; Mary Gonzales- 652-7206;  
 Sara Bowersox - 652-0134;  
 Paige Cahoon - 801-836-7100 for booth info./  
 registration

## Spotlight: Happy Birthday Idaho and the United States of America!

### Idaho:

On the morning of March 4, 1863 President Abraham Lincoln signed the act creating Idaho a territory. A few days later he appoints William Wallace to be the first territorial governor. Wallace then designates Lewiston as the territorial capital. In 1865 Boise replaces Lewiston as the capital. Construction on the territorial capital begins in Boise in 1885. **July 3, 1890 Idaho is admitted as the 43rd state in the union.** Emma Edwards wins a contest to create our state seal in 1891; making Idaho's the first seal to be designed by a woman. In 1931, the legislature adopts, "Here We Have Idaho" as our state song, the Syringa as our state flower, and the Rocky Mountain blue bird as our state bird.

*As we celebrate this year's celebration the 150th anniversary of Idaho becoming a territory, we are excited to honor this great Idaho milestone with our theme for our parade and events this 4th. How blessed we are to live in Idaho, this great state and place in the United States of America.*

### The United States of America:

During the American Revolution, the legal separation of the Thirteen Colonies from Great Britain occurred on July 2, 1776, when the Second Continental Congress voted to approve a resolution of independence that had been proposed in June by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia declaring the United States independent from Great Britain. After voting for independence, Congress turned its attention to the *Declaration of Independence*, a statement explaining this decision, which had been prepared by a Committee of Five, with Thomas Jefferson as its principal author. Congress debated and revised the wording of the Declaration, finally approving it on July 4. A day earlier, John Adams had written to his wife Abigail:

*The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more.*

Adams's prediction was off by two days. From the outset, Americans celebrated independence on July 4, the date shown on the much-publicized Declaration of Independence, rather than on July 2, the date the resolution of independence was approved in a closed session of Congress. Historians have long disputed whether Congress actually **signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4**, even though Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin all later wrote that they had signed it on that day. \*This information was found on Wikipedia.

**Remember your Country:** A story set in the early 1800s tells of Phillip Nolan, a young officer in the United States Army who gets caught up in a plot to overthrow the government. Convicted of treason, he swears in rash anger to never hear the words United States of America. The judge decides to grant his wish, and he is sentenced to exile. Those around him are ordered to never speak to him of America. He comes to be known as "The Man without a Country." Years later, a remorseful Nolan pleads with a young sailor: "Remember...your Country, and that you belong to Her as you belong to your own mother. Stand by Her, boy, as you would stand by your mother." Then he adds, "Oh, if anybody had said so to me when I was of your age."

We all have a country. It may not be the largest, the richest, or the most powerful, but it deserves our loyalty and our love and our best efforts to make it better. We can say with hope and faith, **"God bless America: Our Home Sweet Home!"** Just as we read the Christmas story at Christmas time and teach our youth about Christ's birth, we need to teach our youth and each other why this, July 4th, Independence Day, is so important and why it is worth preserving and being thankful for. This country should not be taken for granted, indeed it is the greatest of all the lands to live!

As your Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce we wish you all a safe and Happy 4th of July!

## The Circus is coming to Ashton!



The Ashton Rotary is excited to sponsor the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus on Wednesday, July 3rd. Showtime's will be @ 5pm & 7:30pm at the old NF football field! **Get your tickets early!**

\$10/person, \$6/child (ages 2-12). At the gate the cost will be \$13/person, \$8/child (2-12). Proceeds will go toward fighting polio and other Ashton Rotary projects. To buy tickets or for questions call Billy Stronks @ 652-7725. **Tickets sold at Key Bank, Bank of Idaho, and Stronks & Sons.**



Information deadline for the Newsletter is due by 8 AM on the Saturday prior to the first and third Tuesday of the month. Please email anything you would like posted to [info@ashtonidaho.com](mailto:info@ashtonidaho.com) or leave a message at 652-3355.

# City of Ashton News



- \* City Council will be held July 10th at 7pm at the city building.
- \* Planning and Zoning will be July 16th at 7pm.
- \* The Ashton Visitor Center is open. The hours are Thurs.—Mon. 10am—4pm. Volunteers are needed!! Please contact Mo-Nee @ 709-0510.
- \* The Ashton Swimming Pool is now open Monday through Saturday from 1pm to 5pm. \$3.50 per person. Come and enjoy your summer at the pool!



Come and enjoy some yummy Mexican food!  
Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner  
8am-9pm Mon.-Thurs. & 8am-10pm Fri.-Sat.

Located at 514 Main St. Ashton, ID

Call for your orders to go at 652-7225.



Located in the front of the Chocolate Moose is a full service Floral & Gift Shop and a Greenhouse! Specializing in flowers for funerals, weddings, dances, and everyday special

occasions. Owner Rebecca Siddoway is excited to extend her business from Teton to Ashton and serve our community with her talented green thumb! She also delivers your order for special occasions like birthdays, anniversaries, or just thinking about you. Call her today @ 652-5000!

## Vacation Bible School

Monday July 22—Friday July 26 from 9am until 12pm  
Zion Lutheran Church (9 Main St.)

Inviting all children pre-K and K-6 for a week of fun activities, arts and crafts, Bible study, games and much more!

Questions contact Julie at 346-2895 or Shawna at 390-9899.

## NORTH FREMONT TRACK CAMP

July 8 & 9th there will be track camp for incoming grades 4-9th. Camp goes each day from 4-6:15pm for grades 4-6th and 5:45-8:30 for grades 7-9th. Preregister for camp by emailing your name, grade, and shirt size to [nftrack@gmail.com](mailto:nftrack@gmail.com) or by picking up a registration form at local businesses. Cost is \$25 for camp. Questions, please call Coach Brad Lee @ 569-4799.



## Swimming Pool Days

- July 4th—Red, White and Blue 2pm to 6pm. \$2/person.
- July 10th—Superhero/Princess Day 1pm to 5pm. \$2 fee.
- July 17th—Food Drive Day 1pm to 5pm. Bring a can of food and swim for \$2.
- July 24th—Cowboy/Cowgirl Day 1pm to 5pm. \$2 fee.

## Community Calendar

- July 4—Independence Day!
- July 8-9—NF Track Camp
- July 10—City Council at 7pm at City Building
- July 10—N.F. Food Pantry 5-7pm @Ashton Community Center. Picture ID required.
- July 16—P&Z @ 7pm @ City Building
- July 18 —Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mtg. @ noon @ Chamber office
- July 18—School Board Mtg. @7pm @NFHS
- July 22-26—Vacation Bible School @ Zion Lutheran Church from 9am to 12pm
- July 24—N.F. Food Pantry 5-7pm @Ashton Community Center. Picture ID required.
- July 24—Pioneer Day!

\*\*The next newsletter will come out on July 16th. Please have information to the Chamber by the Saturday before. Thank you!

*We encourage all to continually support our Ashton Businesses!!*

Email [info@ashtonidaho.com](mailto:info@ashtonidaho.com) with your events time and description to get your event posted FREE! For more event details visit our on-line Community Calendar at [www.ashtonidaho.com](http://www.ashtonidaho.com)  
We place events on our community calendars for free!



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Swiss Precision is pleased to say they are now open from 9am-6pm for all your Planting and Landscaping needs! They have seeds, plants, flowers, and vegetable plants. They are available and ready to assist in your spring clean-up, pruning, landscaping, full yard maintenance, and sprinkler system installation.

Call Swiss Precision today at 652-7831

## Rankin Motel



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## Grand Teton Relay: Friday, Aug. 16th

Teams will be running East on Main from NFHS on Friday morning through early afternoon. A portion of the proceeds go towards the Idaho Food Bank and the North Fremont Food Pantry.

For more information: [grandtetonrelay.com](http://grandtetonrelay.com)  
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