



Ashton, Idaho

Chamber of Commerce

NEWSLETTER RETURNS

Your Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce will once again be producing the Chamber Newsletter. We are excited about this opportunity to be another avenue of news and information in the Ashton Area. If you have an event or business you would like to advertise the cost is \$25 per ad or \$15 for chamber member. The newsletter will be available on the first week of each month. We appreciate all our members and their continued support.

Email your news, announcements, and artwork to newsletter@ashtonidaho.com

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monthly Meeting - April 18th

The next Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce meeting will be Thursday, April 18, 2023 at noon in The Main Office conference room on Main Street.

Everyone welcome

Independence Day Preparations

We have begun planning the activities for Ashton's Independence Day celebration!



- **Theme Contest** - classes in North Fremont and Ashton Elementary will have the chance to win and ice cream party. The ideas will be voted on at our May meeting.
- **New Candy Rule** - due to concern for they safety of spectators during the parade, throwing candy from floats will no longer be permitted. If floats wish to pass out candy, they may do so with the help of people on the ground walking along side the float.

Add your business to our membership \$100/business; \$75/non-profit; and \$25/individual. Check out our website at ashtonidaho.com

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT



📍 511 Main Street 📞 (208) 652-0511
🌐 511mainashton.com

The genesis of Five 11 Main began a hundred years ago in the history of Ashton, Idaho. In the early 1900's, a new bank was built to serve a thriving farming and logging community. The railroad also passed through Ashton on it's way to Yellowstone Park, enlarging Ashton's "dot on the map". The bank later relocated and the building became the local pharmacy and soda fountain known for decades as the "City Drug". Over the years, many people have traveled through Ashton and stopped for the famous City Drug Huckleberry shake on their way to and from the Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks, Henry's Fork of the Snake River, Mesa Falls, and other winter and summer destinations. Both locals and visitors made a stop at City Drug a part of their travel routine.

In the fall of 2008, after 90 years of service, the owners of City Drug turned off the fountain pumps and offered the building for sale due to the need to adapt to pharmacy business changes. The City Drug building was purchased by the Hamiltons, the original Five 11 Main owners, and was updated and restored to the amazing establishment that it is today. On May 11, 2009 at 5:11 pm, the fountain located at 511 Main St. was re-opened and began flowing again. The remodeled building exposes old original brick walls and the original bank safe. It also features displays of Ashton's historical and current events as well as other area highlights.

In January of 2023, George and Jessica Barnett purchased Five 11 Main. The Barnetts updated the menu and extended business hours to better serve the community.



We encourage all to continually support our Ashton Businesses!!



CITY OF ASHTON NEWS

(208) 652-3987 cityofashton.com

- City Council Meeting @ 6pm on April 9th.
- Remember to renew your dog's licenses for the new year!

THE IMPORTANCE OF BUYING LOCAL

Stephen Findlay, BSc., CHSO, offers up these reasons shopping locally is so important:

- Buying local keeps money in the community
- Buying local supports local entrepreneurs
- Buying local gets you better customer service and more unique offerings
- Buying local has environmental and social benefits
- Buying local encourages community development

Source: LinkedIn <https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/importance-buying-local-why-matters-community-findlay-bsc-chso/>



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Every Tuesday - Story Hour 11am @ Library
- Every Wednesday - Ashton Rotary noon
- April 3rd - Island Park Chamber of Commerce Mtg. 6pm @ Timbers at Island Park
- April 9 - Yellowstone Teton Territory Mtg. - noon @ Rexburg Chamber of Commerce
- April 9 - Ashton City Council 6pm
- April 13th - Distinguished Young Women (DYW) 7pm @ NFHS
- April 18 - Chamber of Commerce Mtg. noon @ Main Office Conference Room
- April 20 - Royal Tea Party 9:30am @ North Fremont High School
- April 25 - 29 - NFHS Musical: Roger & Hammerstein's Cinderella 7pm

Information deadline for the Newsletter is due by 8 AM on the Saturday 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.

Planning Ashton's Future

Get involved and help make positive changes for Ashton!

Tell us what you think by taking this quick survey about our hometown!

Fill out the questionnaire at cityofashton.com or scan the qr code



Questionnaires can also be picked up at the city building

THE VOICE OF THE RIVER
SINCE 1984
HENRY'S FORK
FOUNDATION

Science-based collaboration for healthy fisheries and watersheds across the Upper Snake.

SWISS PRECISION
NURSERY & LANDSCAPING
208-652-7840
swissprecision.net

LAWN CARE, NURSERY, LANDSCAPING, SNOW REMOVAL, HOME RENOVATIONS, METAL WORKS, REPAIRS

OLD HICKORY SHEDS
LOCAL & AVAILABLE OUTSIDE OF NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS
Located at 65 South Hwy. 20 South-side of Ashton
(208) 351-3715
BUY OR RENT TO OWN NO CREDIT CHECK

WWW.OLDHICKORYSHEDS.US

El Rincón
MEXICAN RESTAURANT
Dine In Or Take Out
(208) 652-7225
580 Main St. Ashton