**IN THE NEWS**

**Historic Coeur d’Alene Homes—Then & Now**

Historic Coeur d’Alene Homes—Then & Now—will be the focus of the new Inland Northwest Milestone Lecture series by regional historian Robert Singletary at the Coeur d’Alene Public Library.

The series, presented in partnership with the Museum of North Idaho, will feature some of the historic homes built on East Sherman Avenue in the early 1900s. The first home, The J.C. White house was featured on Thursday, Jan. 23. The white house was recently moved from Sherman Avenue to the base of Tubbs Hill on the City Hall/Library campus. The white house will serve as the future home of the Museum of North Idaho. Original owners of these homes were men prominent in such industries as lumber, railroad, steamboat, banking, and real estate.

The lectures are scheduled on the fourth Thursday of each month, at 7 p.m., as follows:

- February 27: F.A. Blackwell House
- March 26: William Dollar House
- April 23: J.J. O’Brien House
- May 28: Russell Blackwell House

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**IRA NEDERHOED**

**ELECTRICIAN FOR STREETS & ENGINEERING**

Municipal Milestones recently caught up with newly hired electrician, Ira Nederhoed to learn more about his role with the City.

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Great Turn Out At The Library Seed Swap

More than 100 people turned out Saturday to share the garden wealth at the Fifth Annual Seed Swap at the Coeur d’Alene Public Library. Participants brought homegrown and commercially sold seeds to share with others and took home varieties that have grown well in this area. This activity was offered in partnership with the Inland Northwest Food Network and True To Seed: Coeur d’Alene Seed Lending Library.

Atlas Waterfront Project Update

The City is currently working on the ADA swim access and kayak launch. The beach landing and pedestrian ramp will be completed by early February. The restroom and maintenance building foundations are to be poured by the first part of February. The shoreline rockery wall will be completed by mid-February. The mass grading and water access steps will be done by early March and the irrigation intake will be completed by mid-March. The sewer line and the water work will be ongoing.

tell us a little bit about your background and experience:  
I moved out west to Idaho approximately 24 years ago from the Eastern Upper Peninsula of Michigan. I have been in the construction trade most of my working career and have been doing electrical work for over 17 years.

What are your current responsibilities:  
I perform electrical installation, maintenance, and repair on all City buildings and facilities. I also work with employees operating medium and heavy equipment in the installation and maintenance of traffic signals and equipment.

What is the most fulfilling aspect of your job, and why?  
Being able to problem-solve as well as helping others is very satisfying. The fact that I can take something that others have given up on and not only make it work, but have a result that is above and beyond the original expectation, is really a fun part of my day.

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Winter Driving Reminder and Tips!

Here are a few reminders of some basic winter driving tips, courtesy of the Streets Department. For updated information regarding street plowing efforts, call the Street Department Snow Line at 208-769-2233.

- Accelerate and decelerate slowly.
- Drive slowly.
- The normal dry pavement following distance of three to four seconds should be increased to eight to ten seconds.
- Know your brakes—brake sooner and more slowly.
- Don’t stop if you don’t have to.
- Don’t power up hills.
- Don’t stop when going up a hill.
- Stay home if you can during periods of extreme weather.

2020 Residential Parking Permits Are Available Now

The City of Coeur d’Alene is pleased to announce that 2020 Residential Parking permits are now available for purchase. These permits will allow one 2-hour parking session per day at either the McEuen Park or Memorial Field parking lots. The cost for the annual pass is $10.00 for a City resident and $20.00 for other residents of Kootenai County. Permits can be purchased online (City Resident: http://bit.ly/Cityres; County Resident: http://bit.ly/Countyres) or by phone at 1-800-828-4197. You will need to provide the vehicle license plate number as the permit will be valid for only one vehicle. No paper permit will be issued. Additionally, the permit holder will be required to verify residency by providing a copy of the vehicle registration and a local utility bill before the permit will be issued. For more information, visit cdaid.org/parking or call Diamond Parking at 1-800-828-4197, select option 2.