In The News

Aaron Camp, Wastewater Mechanic, Recipient of Achievement Award

Pacific Northwest Clean Water Association (PNCWA) is the preeminent state association dedicated to education, dissemination of technical and scientific information, increased public understanding, and promotion of sound public laws and programs in the water resources and related environmental fields in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

The Awards Committee undergoes a thorough vetting process to elevate the prominence and prestige of these awards. The awards are highly treasured and respected by the membership.

The Individual Distinguished Achievement Award is presented to a PNCWA member who is most deserving of special recognition as a result of distinguished service rendered in the interest of pollution abatement, and who has contributed fundamentally and practically to the advancement of the industry. The PNCWA has recognized Aaron Camp for the Individual Distinguished Achievement Award.

Aaron Camp is a linchpin in the preservation and improvement of the City of Coeur d’Alene Wastewater Division. Continued Page 2
Aaron Camp, Cont.

As one of two Division mechanics, Aaron is imperative to the mechanical, electrical, and acquisition of materials required for the conveyance, treatment, and biosolids composting provided to the ratepayers of the City of Coeur d’Alene. Aaron Camp has promoted the industry by demonstrating the ingenious repairs and modifications needed to keep our utility costs down, and life cycle optimized. In our wastewater industry, it is crucial to have equipment performing at its promoted capacities, budget expenditure that is fiduciarily responsible to our ratepayers, and a treatment system that keeps critical setbacks near zero. Congratulations Aaron!

“Seed of Life” Public Art

On July 18, 2022, the City dedicated a new piece of art entitled “Seed of Life” by artist Celeste A. Cooning. Here is Ms. Cooning’s vision for the art piece, which is located on the east side wall of the Parking Garage located on 4th Street, between Lakeside and Coeur d’Alene Avenues.

SEED OF LIFE functions as a festive gesture to honor and celebrate the vibrant city of Coeur d’Alene.

MOVEMENT and SCALE: The cut-out shapes cascade down the wall towards the viewer with a gestural force reflective of the powers held by both water and wind.

SYMBOLISM: The stylized organic shapes lend themselves to varied interpretations that allow for the viewer's imagination to take hold and build a wide range of narratives. Reflective ribbons of water weave their way in between the unfurling, organic shapes alluding to the rich bounty of fish and flora. The shapes nestle together to provoke your mind to build new and unexpected narratives.

REFLECTIVE LIGHT: The #8 polished steel functions as a mirror of the atmospheric surroundings. The sculpture faces east so the artwork will reflect the rising sunsets and the rainbow of colors that vary throughout the day and the seasons.

CAST SHADOWS: The cut-out shapes sit between 2" and 8" off the wall in bas-relief. This layering allows for cast shadows against the wall and the overlapping shapes.

NIGHT VIEWING: The reflective light off the polished steel will continue to change as the sun sets and then slowly reveal the nighttime view to include the LED strip. The "ribbons" are back lit in blue to evoke the abundance of water and in contrast the "leaflets" are back lit in white to reflect the vibrant bounty of Coeur d'Alene.
**City Faces**

Municipal Milestones recently caught up with newly hired Administrative Assistant Hiedi Schrader to learn more about her role with the City.

**Tell us a little bit about your background and experience:**
I have worked as an administrative assistant for about 15 years. Not all my job titles were administrative assistant, but the job duties were the same. I have spent the last 13 years working at North Idaho College working as a customer service representative and account technician at Workforce Training and as an administrative assistant for Facilities. It’s nice to be able to use all my skills in one place and have a day that is full of new challenges and people. I am very excited to be at the Water Department.

**What kind of training do you need to be an Administrative Assistant?**
There is formal administrative assistant training available, but I have always thought that customer service training, bookkeeping or accounting experience is always a plus, but it really depends on the department or business and the skills they require of the position. No matter the training, the ability to do 20 things at once is a must.

**What does an Administrative Assistant do?**
A little bit of everything. Answering phones and answering questions. Helping customers or other departments get the information they need. Preparing bills to send for payment and creating invoices for services. Generally doing all we can to make sure that our department runs smoothly and efficiently. We are here to make sure that everyone else in the department can do their jobs, which means we do many different tasks. I love it because you are always busy and you never know what the next day will bring.

**What do you enjoy most about your job?**
The people. I really enjoy helping answer their questions and the team at the Water Department is great. I also really like that every day is a little different and there is always something to do. It’s wonderful.

**What about your family and interests?**
I married my best friend/husband in 2020, and between us we have three (3) dogs, which keep us busy. We love basketball (Go Trailblazers!), bike riding, travel, and wine tasting along the way. When we are not adventuring, I love to be at home with the dogs enjoying the calm.

**What do you love most about Coeur d’Alene and North Idaho?**
I have lived in Coeur d’Alene almost my whole life and I love that I am 30-minutes or less from mountain hikes, wine tasting, swimming, trail rides, and family no matter the direction I go. You can’t beat that.

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Looking for Something Fun to do this Summer? Check out Coeur d’Alene’s Art in Motion Tour

Admire Coeur d'Alene's beautiful artwork while touring the City. It's free, great exercise, and a wonderful way to explore Coeur d'Alene. There are four (4) options to choose from depending on how much time you have and how far you would like to go.

- Bike Tour 1: This option is over twelve (12) easy scenic miles, with views of Lake Coeur d'Alene and the Spokane River. Stops include McEuen Park, City Park, Riverstone Park, Phippeny Park, and Historic Forest Cemetery.

- Bike Tour 2: The second bike tour is an easy four (4) miles that showcase the best of downtown Coeur d'Alene. Meander through McEuen Park and then onto City Park. You will experience wonderful lake views traveling along Rosenberry Drive. Transverse around the Education Corridor before heading to downtown. On Coeur d'Alene's main street, Sherman Avenue, there are art pieces on almost every corner.

- Walking Tour 1: The first walking tour is a little over two (2) miles through downtown Coeur d'Alene visiting McEuen & City Parks, meandering around the boardwalk on Lake Coeur d'Alene.

- Walking Tour 2: The second walking tour is over one (1) mile, taking you through McEuen Park and downtown Coeur d'Alene.

For more information about Arts in Motion visit https://www.cdaid.org/files/arts/TourBrochures.pdf.
Music on Mondays

Join the Library every Monday in August at 6:00 pm for a free concert on the McEuen side of the Library. Bring your chairs and snacks and enjoy the music.

- **Aug 1: Dr. Phil and the Enablers**  A local rockin’ blues band with lots of soul. Influences include B.B. King, Eric Clapton, Stevie Ray Vaughn & other blues legends. Throw in some toe-tappin’ tunes from ZZ Top, The Allman Brothers, and Van Morrison for a little variety.

- **Aug 8: Rusty Jackson Trio**  The Rusty Jackson Trio brings classic country that will rock your world! Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard, Waylon, Willie, and more! Plus a little bit of classic rock and few of Rusty’s originals.

- **Aug 15: T & Company**  Combining musical backgrounds and decades of experience in local and touring bands, T & Company present an easy listening experience with the ring of acoustic strings and the blending of warm, pleasant harmonies. Genre? Call it “eclectic acoustic.” There’s something for just about everybody, performed in a laid back style, rich in smiles and humor.

- **Aug 22: Coeurimba**  This Coeur d’Alene marimba group has been performing traditional and popular music from Zimbabwe past and present. They have fun with their upbeat, dynamic rhythms and happy melodies for you to enjoy with the setting sun.

- **Aug 29: CDABrassX5**  CdABrassX5 is a “classic” brass quintet with a very diverse repertoire. The ensemble includes two (2) trumpets, a French horn, a trombone and a tuba. Their repertoire includes classical composers like Sibelius, Bach, Handel, Copland, Gabrieli. They like to explore Americana by playing a variety of familiar patriotic and folk songs.

Coeur d’Con: August 26 - 27

Coeur d’Con 2022, a comic convention, is celebrating its eighth year of presenting books, movies, games, manga, comics, and all of the many avenues of geek culture. Entrance to the convention is free, with local businesses, artists, and experts exhibiting and selling their goods outside of the Library, on the McEuen Park side. Vendors offer a plethora of unique wares and perspectives on pop culture. The event is organized and hosted by the staff (and volunteers) of the Coeur d’Alene Public Library. Staff and volunteers offer a variety of themed crafts, games and other activities, with events for every age group throughout the convention. All Library-led crafts and activities are free for participants.

Visit the Library’s website at [coeurdcon.com](http://coeurdcon.com) to sign up for events.
Free Outdoor Movie Night
Free Family Event! Please bring Chairs & Blankets

Saturday, August 13th, 2022 at 7:45 PM
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