In The News

New Fire Dept Marine Facility

On Thursday, May 4, 2023, the CDA Fire Department held the formal dedication of the new Fire Department Marine Facility at the 3rd Street Marina. The Marine Facility was placed into service on January 18, 2023, but due to weather and safety concerns the formal dedication was delayed until May.

To offer the best viewing opportunity of the event the City partnered with the CDA Resort to use one of the cruise boats. All attendees were able to see the dedication of the Marine Facility as well as a demonstration of the CDA Fireboat. The ceremony included speakers from the Fire Department as well as a dedication of the Fireboat and the Marine Facility which was performed by the CDA Tribe and drum corps. Secondary to the dedication ceremony will be the formal naming of the CDA Fireboat. The name chosen in partnership with the CDA Tribe is CHDÈLN (ch-del-n). The CDA Tribe’s cultural and language staff made a brief presentation about the name and its meaning.

The new location allows closer access to respond to Tubbs Hill, where most fireboat callouts have taken place. The fireboat is also used as a standby apparatus during events on the north end of the lake and down the Spokane River such as Ironman, the Lake Crossing, and during fireworks shows. Funding to build the Marine Facility came from impact fees with additional funding coming from ignite cda.
Get an Up-Close Look at the Osprey Nests

The City of Coeur d’Alene has cameras located on the Osprey nests on three (3) 70-foot light poles in McEuen Park. Each year, the Osprey come to the nests to lay eggs and hatch a new generation of these beautiful birds.

Nests can be viewed on the City’s North, Center, and South cameras.

A Reminder from the Fire Department

What to Eat & Drink During a Heat Wave

- Eat small meals and eat more often.
- Stay hydrated by drinking plenty of fluids even if you do not feel thirsty.
- Avoid drinks with caffeine or alcohol.

The City of Coeur d’Alene is Hiring!

Visit the City’s employment website if you are interested in working for the City of Coeur d’Alene. Up-to-date job postings are listed here.
Welcome New Employees!

A warm welcome to the following new City employee. The City is privileged to have this talented individual join as new team member.

Dana Cole
Utility Operator
Water Department

Summer Concert Events
**Sunshine and Storytime in the Park**

As part of the Library’s summer programming, the Library’s Outreach Team is bringing “Summer Sunshine Story Time” to a park near you!

Meet at 10:00 a.m. each week (sometimes twice a week) this summer, in various parks around the city to discover new places and learn more about the natural world all around town. Stories, crafts, and activities will be nature themed, and fun! Collect a different Park Card each time you participate. Collect five (5) or more cards to earn a prize! Collect all nine (9) cards and be entered into a drawing for a grand prize.

The July schedule is:

- **Wednesday, July 5:** G.O. Phippeny Park, 827 N. 8th St.
- **Wednesday, July 12:** Cherry Hill Park, 1718 N. 15th St.
- **Wednesday, July 19:** Shadduck Lane, 1875 E. Shadduck Ln.
- **Tuesday, July 25:** Higgens Point, E. Coeur d’Alene Lake Dr.
- **Wednesday, July 26:** North Pines Park, 1015 E. Lunceford Ln.

**July Puppeteering Camp**

Explore the dynamic storytelling artform of puppetry during this two-week series. You’ll rehearse a script with other cast members and design your own sock puppet! This exciting program will culminate in a special show for friends and family to attend on the final day that’s complete with popcorn. Registration and a two-week commitment is required.

The camp takes place on July 11 and 18, from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm and is geared towards 9 - 12 year olds.

Registration opens July 1 and can be found here.

**Birds of Prey**

On Sunday, July 23, at 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm in the Library Community Room, Birds of Prey Northwest is generously offering two (2) showings of their amazing raptor presentation with guest speaker Jackie Fallon, who is the President of the Midwestern Peregrine Program. Come see five (5) species of live falcons and learn about these beautiful and fascinating birds. Because live creatures require calm behavior to be comfortable, this program is recommended for ages six and up.
Garden District Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places

The City of Coeur d’Alene (City) and its Historic Preservation Commission are pursuing nomination of the Garden District to the National Register of Historic Places. The intended result of the nomination is the honorary designation of the Garden District Historic District, which will not place any new private property restrictions on property owners within the Garden District. This is a follow up to the 2021 Reconnaissance Survey that took place in 2019-2020 under the direction of Kootenai County’s Historic Preservation Commission, prior to the City’s commission being formed. The reconnaissance survey and nomination process was initiated by the residents of the Garden District who want to preserve and recognize the historic charm and character of the neighborhood.

The nomination process kicked off with a Community Open House event at the Saint Thomas Center on June 20, 2023 which was well attended. Consultant Kirk Huffaker of Kirk Huffaker Preservation Strategies is conducting the work, which is funded by a grant from the State Historic Preservation Office and the National Park Service. This phase of the nomination includes research and documentation, including stakeholder interviews. The next phase of public engagement will be in the Spring of 2024. The nomination will be completed by August 30, 2024, and a decision by the National Park Service would be expected by the end of 2024.

The Mayor and City offered its support for the effort in a statement made by Council Member Kiki Miller at the June 20th City Council meeting, “On behalf of Mayor Hammond and the Cd’A City Council we would like to lend our support and thank the Historic Preservation Commission members and staff for their efforts in the Garden District nomination project. We wish you continued success and appreciate all you have done for our beloved city.” Council Member Miller serves as the Council Liaison to the Historic Preservation Commission.

The Garden District Nomination website (https://www.gardendistrictnrhp.com/) provides an overview of the nomination process, project schedule, Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), a link to the 2021 Reconnaissance Survey that includes a summary of the 530 properties surveyed, information about the consultant, a comment form, and a survey for Garden District owners and residents to gather their input and to collect information about the history of the neighborhood and buildings.

The Garden District is one of Coeur d’Alene’s oldest neighborhoods, represented primarily by residences dating to the period 1895-1940. It is roughly bound by 5th Street to the west, 11th Street to the east, Montana Avenue, to the north, and Lakeside Avenue, to the south. The Reconnaissance Survey revealed that approximately 67% of the buildings recorded had sufficient significance and integrity to be considered contributing resources in a potential historic district under the guidelines of the National Register of Historic Places.

To learn more about the City’s Historic Preservation Commission, visit https://www.cdaid.org/5754/departments/planning/historic-preservation-commission.