IN THE NEWS

**Fall Leaf Fest will begin on November 8th**

On November 8, Street Department Crews will begin collecting leaves and needles. Some important reminders to help our crews include:

- Please keep leaves and needles on your property until November 1
- Please keep leaves and needles at least twelve inches from the curb to allow for drainage of any rain we may receive during this time
- Please remove branches, grass clippings and garden debris

Crews will begin south of Sherman Avenue and the Fort Grounds area first and then work their way north through the City. The City anticipates being done by Friday, December 3rd.

You can follow the crew’s progress on the City’s website at: [https://maps.cdaid.org/leaf/](https://maps.cdaid.org/leaf/)

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CITY FACES

DELANY DALY  
YOUTH SERVICES LIBRARIAN

Municipal Milestones recently caught up with newly hired Youth Services Librarian Delany Daly to learn more about her role with the City.

Tell us a little bit about your background and experience:

Two months ago, I moved to Coeur d’Alene all the way from Central Florida. Previously, I lived in Colorado, North Carolina, and spent much of my childhood in Northern Georgia.

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Tree Work at the North Idaho Centennial Trail at Riverstone Park

Private property that abuts the North Idaho Centennial Trail at Riverstone Park near Tilford Lane will soon be under construction. The property contains a large stand of Ponderosa pine trees that line the North Idaho Centennial Trail. The stand of trees have been in a natural state for many years. The property owner has reached out to the City of Coeur d’Alene’s Urban Forestry office for guidance with the management of the trees on the property. The property owner’s plan is to thin and prune the trees, which includes the removal of small sized trees and pruning of deadwood for clearance above the Centennial Trail.

The property owner has coordinated with the Parks and Recreation Director, Urban Forester, and the Urban Forestry Committee to select trees that will improve the spacing, health, and fuel load in this natural area. This will improve the health and aesthetic qualities of this stand of native trees and they will have a greater opportunity to grow and thrive along the North Idaho Centennial Trail. While you are enjoying Riverstone Park or the Centennial Trail in this area, you may notice trees that have been marked with white paint which are slated for removal. The City of Coeur d’Alene appreciates the private property owner working with the City to maintain healthy mature trees abutting the Centennial Trail.

If you have questions or concerns, you may contact Urban Forester Nick Goodwin at (208) 769-2266 or by email to Ngoodwin@cdaid.org.

Winter Driving is Just Around the Corner

Check out winter driving tips from the Coeur d’Alene Police Department to help keep you safe on the road this winter.

In 2017, I earned a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from the University of Central Florida and last year, I graduated from Texas Woman’s University with a Master of Library Science degree. I began my career in public libraries as a volunteer shelver at Vail Public Library in Vail, Colorado. I am a published writer and dedicated cat mom to Little Miss Abby the Tabby, whom I’m writing a children’s book about.

What kind of training do you need to be a Youth Services Librarian?

First and foremost, it’s important to gain plenty of experience working with children. By the time I was 16, I was working as a full-time nanny for a little girl in my neighborhood. That little girl is now in college!

When I was hired on part-time at Vail Public Library, I assisted with story times and children’s programming as often as possible, which ultimately gave me the experiences that led me to the realization that I wanted to become a Youth Services Librarian.

It is vital that anyone pursuing a career in professional librarianship earn a graduate level degree in Library Sciences or Library and Information Sciences. Knowing I wanted to become a Youth Services Librarian, I chose to focus my elective courses on youth and young adult literature and programming.

What does a Youth Services Librarian do?

A Youth Services Librarian does all kinds of things and I think that is what makes it such a fun job! My biggest tasks and responsibilities are planning and executing engaging programming for children ages 0-12, developing a collection of diverse materials that represent and serve our community of children and families, and leading an

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**Pumpkin Giveaway Success**

The drive-through pumpkin giveaway on October 15th was a big success for the second year in a row! Around 500 pumpkins were given out to participants and, in the holiday spirit, nobody went home empty-handed. Leftover pumpkins were transferred to the library lobby and were largely gone by the end of the day.

Entries to the pumpkin decorating contest closed on October 22 and can be found on the Library’s Facebook page at [2021 It’s Pumpkin Time Contest](#). The public voted on their favorite entries by “liking” the images. The winners of the children’s, teen and adult categories were announced on Halloween itself, October 31.

The Library would like to thank the amazing Wastewater Department for another supernaturally good crop as well as the Friends of the Coeur d’Alene Public Library for funding craft supply kits and prizes for the contest.

**City Hall Closed for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Holiday**

City Hall will be closed on Thursday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day. There is no change to the garbage schedule that week. In observance of Thanksgiving, Coeur d’Alene City Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 25-26. Garbage pickup normally scheduled for Thursday and Friday will be delayed one day. City Hall will open Monday, November 29, at 8 a.m. For emergency sewer service, please call 769-2241; call 755-9729 for water service. For more information, call 769-2300.

**What do you enjoy most about your job?**

My absolute favorite part of my job is weekly story times with children and their caregivers. Nothing is better than witnessing a child thoroughly engaged in a story and caregivers who are dedicated to their child’s early literacy education!

**What about your family and interests?**

My family is very close-knit and they are my whole world! I know it is the unconditional love and support from my family that has empowered me to achieve my wildest dreams. My interests are quite vast! I enjoy reading (of course), creative writing, yoga, traveling, spending time outside, listening to podcasts, visual art, interior design and DIY home projects, cooking and baking, volunteering, etc. I am also very passionate about health and wellness, cultural awareness, and supporting organizations I believe in.

**What do you love most about Coeur d’Alene and North Idaho?**

What I love most about Coeur d’Alene and North Idaho is the weather, the kindness I’ve experienced from others who live here, the array of unique small businesses, and of course Coeur d’Alene Public Library!
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