City of Coeur d'Alene Municipal Milestones Newsletter

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In The News The Monument to Peace and Unity



A new piece of public art was dedicated on Friday, September 23. The art is located at the Four Corners intersection of Northwest Boulevard, Government Way, and Fort Grounds Drive.

"The Monument to Peace and Unity," as the piece is entitled, was commissioned by the Coeur d'Alene Arts Commission and created by artist Ai Qiu Hopen of Humanity Memorial, Inc. The City's Public Art Ordinance, adopted in June 1999, established funding of public art that provides public visibility and impact. Funding for this art piece was also provided by ignite cda through the Lake District Urban Renewal District.

¹ The new art piece is located at the gateway

to downtown Coeur d'Alene, the historic Fort Grounds neighborhood and the Higher Education Campus. The art was created to be a welcoming to our City, to all people. It demonstrates Coeur d'Alene's long-standing commitment to the dignity and the worth of every individual and to this community's commitment to eliminate racism and prejudice.



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Dan and Kathryn Pinkerton Donate Memorial Statue to The Coeur d'Alene Fire Department

Dan and Kathryn Pinkerton, of the Idaho Character Foundation, presented the Coeur d'Alene Fire Department with a bronze statue on September 11, 2022, at 10:00 am in front of the Fire Department headquarters building located at 300 E Foster Ave in Coeur d'Alene.

The statue, "Fallen Firefighter Memorial Statue," was created by Bronze-Depot of Orlando Florida. Richard DeVuono, owner of Bronze-Depot, reached out to Mr. Pinkerton who was excited to help bring the statue to his local fire department.

The Idaho Character Foundation, founded in 1996 by Dan & Kathryn Pinkerton, owns the Idaho Wildlife Museum that showcases the Bronze Wildlife Collection, Idaho Gem Collection, Frederic Remington Collection, and the Idaho Wilderness Aluminum Print Collection. In addition, they sponsor the North Idaho Spelling Bee annually. The bronze statue weighs 30 pounds and is 16 inches tall.



The Coeur d'Alene Fire Department has chosen to use this statue to honor its retirees. It will be displayed in a prominent location at the Fire Department headquarters where all visitors may enjoy it.

The fire service is steeped in tradition and honoring those who came before and shaped the future of the fire service is deeply engrained in the firefighter community.

"We wanted to do something to honor those who served our community with pride and professionalism," states Fire Chief Thomas Greif.

Leaf-Fest 2022



THIS MONTH'S EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

"I Write the Songs" Music Event October 1, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Ready! for Kindergarten Ages 4 - 5 October 12, 5:30 pm—7:30 pm

Saturdays with the Symphony Childrens' Program Saturday October 15, 11:00 am

Friends of the Library Tuesday, October 25, 10:30 am

Pageturners Book Club Wednesday, October 26, 10:15 am

Board of Trustees Meeting Wednesday, October 26, 4:00 pm

For more information on any Library event, call (208) 769-2315 or visit the Library <u>events calendar</u>.



Pumpkin Giveaway at the Coeur d'Alene Library on October 21

It's that time of year again for the free pumpkin giveaway! For the past few years, the City's Wastewater Department has grown a huge crop of pumpkins with their special Coeur d'Green Compost and in partnership with the Coeur d'Alene Public Library, they will give them all away! On Friday, October 21, at 8 am, pick out a pumpkin from the Library's pumpkin patch on the



lawn in front of the Library's Community Room.

Decorate a pumpkin, take a photo of it, then submit it online by Monday, October 24. Your decorated pumpkin will be posted on the Library's <u>Facebook page</u> and entered into a contest for the best decorated pumpkin. Vote for your favorite pumpkin on Facebook and the pumpkin with the most likes will be chosen the winner Monday on October 31.

October Pageturners Book Club



The Pageturners Book Club will be discussing "Tell Me How It Ends: An Essay in 40 Questions," by Valeria Luiselli on Wednesday, October 26, at 10:15 am in the Library's Community Room.

"Tell Me How It Ends," is Ms. Luiselli's 2017 book-length essay exploring the influx of undocumented child migrants

from Latin America that began in 2014. Through her work as a volunteer translator, Ms. Luiselli became intimately aware of what these children experienced, and the essay argues that their inhumane treatment at the hands of American bureaucracy is an unjust denial of due process and the core principles of the American dream.

For more information about the Pageturners Book Club call JD Smithson at 208-769-2315, ext 455, or email her at communications@cdalibrary.org. Originally commissioned in 2012 by the Coeur d'Alene Arts Commission, the Utility Box Beautification Project was presented to artists, graphic designers, photographers, illustrators, and other creative individuals residing within a 100 mile radius of Coeur d'Alene. The utility boxes, which keep lights flashing and communications running, are undiscovered canvases for with individuals the imagination to cover them with their artwork.







Youth Basketball Registration

3rd – 5th Grade Boys and Girls Basketball Leagues

- Registration will be open October 3 14.
- The fee is \$30.00 for city residents and \$35.00 for non-city resi-• dents.
- Kids are placed on teams according to the schools they attend (if • a coach volunteers from that school). No requests will be taken.
- Late registrations are placed wherever an opening is available.
- Games and practices will be held on weeknights and Saturdays at local schools. Practices will begin October 26 or thereafter. Games will begin after November 8 and run through December.

6th – 8th Grade Boys and Girls Basketball Leagues

- Registration will be open October 14 21.
- The fee is \$30.00 for city residents and \$35.00 for non-city resi-• dents.
- Kids are placed on teams according to the schools they attend (if • a coach volunteers from that school). No requests will be taken.
- Late registrations are placed wherever an opening is available. •
- Games and practices will be held on weeknights and Saturdays at • local schools. Practices will begin after November 1. Games will begin approximately November 15 and run through December.

COACHES AND SPONSORS NEEDED!

Coaches are usually parents of the players. Please consider volunteering to coach your child's team. Sponsoring a team costs \$152.00, and the deadline to sponsor is October 14.

Registration for K – 2nd grade boys and girls basketball leagues will open December 12 - January 6, leagues will run February – March.

> **REGISTRATION OPTIONS:** ONLINE at teamsideline.com/cdaid or AT THE COEUR D'ALENE RECREATION DEPARTMENT CITY HALL - 710 E. MULLAN AVENUE

Please call 208-769-2250 for further questions.

City Faces

Municipal Milestones recently caught up with Assistant City Attorney Vicki Null-Carey to learn more about her role with the City.

Tell us a little bit about your background and experience:

I grew up in a small town in northern California. After high school I attended college, went on to the police academy and was hired as a police officer in the town where I grew up. My husband eventually accepted a position in Boise, ID, and I decided to make a career change to do something with more regular hours. I was interested in becoming a prosecutor, so I attended law school at the University of Idaho College of Law. After passing the bar exam there were no prosecution positions open, so I went into practice doing civil law for a while until I was hired at the City of Spokane Prosecutor's Office. Unfortunately, due to the bad economy, my position was cut and I had to return to civil law.



VICKI NULL-CAREY ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY LEGAL DEPARTMENT

Over the years, I have handled family law, bankruptcy, immigration law, personal injury law, criminal defense and prosecution. Because prosecution has always been the area of law I prefer, I applied to the City of Coeur d'Alene for the Assistant City Attorney position. I am thrilled to be here doing what I love.

"I am able to hold people accountable for their actions, which helps keep our community safe."

What does an Assistant City Attorney do?

An Assistant City Attorney takes the charges brought by the City of Coeur d'Alene Police Department and handles the process as those cases proceed through the court system here in Kootenai County.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

I have always had an interest in criminal law and in this position I am able to hold people accountable for their actions, which helps keep our community safe.

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

I love North Idaho because I love being outdoors, especially in the mountains.