



In The News

Message from the Mayor

It was about ten years ago this month that the city was working on regulations for food trucks and mobile vendors. To test the new ordinance, a fleet of food trucks gathered just outside City Hall and served up their specialties. It gave us a real-world opportunity to see how these businesses would operate in our community.

And it was snowing.

Yes, snow happens here in April. This is north Idaho. The first year I moved here, it snowed in August. I still remember watching a Fourth of July parade with my kids sitting in the back of our pickup, bundled under a blanket because snow was falling. This April may turn out differently, but longtime locals know better than to wager on the weather.

As I write this, the sun is shining and McEuen Park is full of people. The grass is green, the skies are blue, and it's nearly 60 degrees outside. After a relatively mild winter, it's a moment worth appreciating.

Spring in Coeur d'Alene is a special time. We get to enjoy our town before the summer influx of visitors arrives. One day you might do yard cleanup in shirtsleeves, and the next you'll reach for a heavy coat. It may rain. It may snow. Most locals take it in stride. As I tell my kids, it's why the weather is always in the news. *Continued, page 2*

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**CITY COUNCIL AND
COMMISSION
MEETING
INFORMATION**

City Council Meetings

1st and 3rd Tuesday
each month
6:00 pm
Library Community Room
[Council Agenda Packets](#)

Ped/Bike Committee

Wednesday, April 1
4:00 pm
City Hall

CDATV

April 11
8:00 am
City Hall

Planning Commission

2nd Tuesday each month
5:30 pm
Library Community Room

Urban Forestry Committee

3rd Friday each month
8:00 am
City Hall

Park and Rec Commission

Monday before 3rd Tuesday
5:30 pm
Library Community Room

Arts Commission

4th Tuesday each month
4:00 pm
City Hall

**Historic Preservation
Commission Meeting**

4th Wednesday each month
12:00 pm
City Hall

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Message from the Mayor, cont.

Around the city, our employees are busy preparing for the summer season ahead.

This month alone, a new fire training facility is being installed behind Fire Station 2. Construction is underway on the police training facility, and it should be ready soon. Our parks are coming to life with spring plantings, and the Street Department is sweeping and preparing for its busiest months of the year. Every department plays a role in keeping the city running smoothly.

I'd also like to congratulate our Library, which was voted Best North Idaho Library in *The Inlander's* readers' poll. Elizabeth and her team do an outstanding job serving the community. Today's libraries are about far more than just shelves of books. So, as you're out enjoying our town before the summer rush begins, consider visiting a local food court or mobile vendor. Like so many of the things happening in our city, these businesses add to our culture and help make Coeur d'Alene a great place to live.

Dan Gookin,
Mayor

Crime Prevention While Recreating



As the weather improves and more residents head outdoors, trailheads and recreation parking lots around Coeur d'Alene are seeing increased activity along with an increase in vehicle related thefts. These areas are targeted because thieves know people will be gone for long periods of time on hikes, bike rides, and recreating at the lake. A few simple precautions can greatly reduce your chance of being a victim and help keep the community's outdoor areas safe for everyone.

Criminals look for easy, fast opportunities, not confrontation. The good news is that nearly all of these thefts are preventable. By removing valuables before you head out, keeping your vehicle interior completely clear and paying attention to suspicious behavior, you reduce opportunities for theft and help protect everyone who uses the local trail systems.



Hoopla, a digital media service that offers instant borrowing of audiobooks, eBooks, comics, movies, TV shows, music, and more is now available to Coeur d’Alene Library cardholders.

Hoopla provides a seamless, all-in-one experience that syncs across devices, allowing users to stream or download titles with no wait times, all free with a library card. The platform includes millions of items across numerous formats and over 115 languages, plus features like offline downloads, customizable eBook display settings, and BingePass access to complete collections and streaming services. With its extensive catalog and user-friendly design, Hoopla puts a world of entertainment and learning directly at patrons’ fingertips.

1. Install the Hoopla app from your device’s app store (Apple App Store or Google Play).
2. Open the Hoopla app. You will need to create an account with your email address. Sign in and add a library card.
3. Search for your CDA Library. Then enter your library card number.
4. Browse or search for a title you want to checkout. Click on the title and then click “Borrow.”
5. Select “My Hoopla” and then select “Borrowed”. Then click on the title you want to read. Then click the “Read” button.

Want to learn more? Contact the Coeur d’Alene Library at 208-769-2315.

CITY COUNCIL AND COMMISSION MEETING INFORMATION, CONT.

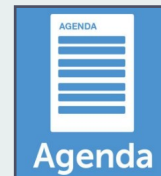
Library Board Meeting

4th Wednesday each month
4:00 pm
Library Community Room

For more information, please visit the [Calendar page](#) on the City of Coeur d’Alene’s website.

For meeting agendas, visit

<https://www.cdaid.org/81/departments/municipal/meeting-agendas>



Find the City on Facebook!

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[Coeur d’Alene Parks and Rec Department](#)



**THIS MONTH'S
EVENTS AT THE
LIBRARY**

Realtor in the Library

First Thursday each month
4:00 pm

Yoga for You

Mondays and Fridays
9:30 am

Ukele Club

All ages
Saturday, April 11
3:00 pm—4:30 pm

Sunday Matinee Contra Dance

All Ages
Sunday, April 12
2:00 pm

Basket Making

Ages 6-12
Thursday, April 30
4:00 pm

For more information on any
Library event, call
(208) 769-2315, or
visit the Library's
event calendar at:

<https://cdalibrary.org/events/>



Spring Walking Adventures

Spring 2026 Walking Adventures (Ages 13+) – Come learn about the natural wonders and history that are right in your backyard! This series of walks will venture around Tubbs Hill and the surrounding area as the group explores the flora, fauna, geology, and history of the local area. Each walk will be led by a local community member eager to share their passion and knowledge. Please check the description of individual walks for the meeting location; each walk will be about two hours. It is recommended that you park in the lower parking lot. Please dress for the weather, wear appropriate shoes for a moderate hike, bring water, and please no dogs.

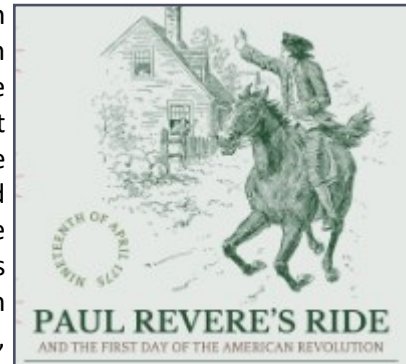
- **Trees, Forest Health and Fire Mitigation**—Wednesday, April 15 at 9:00 am. Meeting places is on the east side of Tubbs Hill on 11th St.
- **Osprey Walk**—Wednesday, April 29 at 9:00 am. Meet in the City's south parking lot in front of the Museum of North Idaho

For more information visit

<https://cdalibrary.libcal.com/event/16323621>

Paul Revere's Ride

Join the Coeur d'Alene Library on Saturday, April 4 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, to learn the true story of Paul Revere, the "Shot Heard Around the World," the Battles of Lexington and Concord, and the sacrifices made to gain our independence. This all-ages "Libertyseed" program will be presented by Brad Foster, a local veteran and an instructor



for Project Appleaseed, a 501(c)3 nonprofit dedicated to promoting civic responsibility through the teaching of colonial history and the American tradition of liberty through a variety of programs in a safe, non-partisan environment.

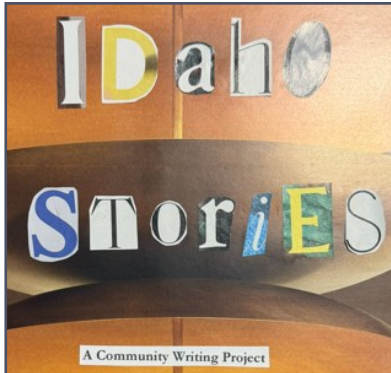
Library Newsletter

Do you want to be in the know for all the events and programming happening at the Coeur d'Alene Library? If so, sign up for the Library's monthly newsletter. You'll receive a calendar of events as well as detailed descriptions of all Library programming.

Sign up here: <https://cdalibrary.org/2025/12/01/newsletter>

Idaho Stories

Join the Coeur d'Alene Public Library, Arts Commission, and Poet Laureate Jennifer Passaro in a collaborative project celebrating the Library's Idaho Collection. This reference collection includes books and maps that are available to explore during Library hours and cannot be checked out.



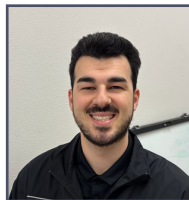
Choose one item from the Idaho Collection and create a short, one-page response inspired by it. Your piece may be a poem, fiction or creative nonfiction. It can be deeply researched or simply sparked by a brief look. Use your artistic voice and interpretation rather than summarizing the text.

You can also include visual art, but everything must fit on an 8 1/2 x 11-inch piece of paper. Submissions are due by June 1 and may be submitted in person or emailed to jennifer.passaro@gmail.com. The project will be celebrated with an event in late June. More details to follow.

Welcome New Employees!

A warm welcome to the following new City employees. The City is privileged to have these talented individuals join as new team members.

Brady Martin
Animal Control Officer
Police Department



Daniel Chezem
Custodian
Building Maintenance Department



The City of Coeur d'Alene is Hiring!

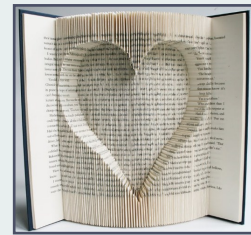
Visit the City's employment website if you are interested in working for the City of Coeur d'Alene. Up-to-date job postings are listed at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/cdaid>.



COMMUNITY EVENTS IN APRIL

Cardinal Reads: Curiosity - the Key to Connection
NIC Student Union
April 7
6:30 pm — 8:00 pm

The Art of Book Folding
Hayden Library
Saturday, April 11
1:00 pm—3:00 pm



8th Annual CDAIDE's Care Affair
CDA Resort
Thursday, April 16
5:00 pm



Family Bingo (Free!)
CDA Kroc Center
April 23
5:30 pm—7:00 pm



Spring Cleanup in the Parks

As winter fades and the first signs of spring begin to brighten City of Coeur d’Alene’s (City) parks, the City’s Parks & Recreation Department team shifts into high gear. Spring is one of the most vibrant—and busiest—times of the year, as staff work behind the scenes to ensure that community spaces, trails, programs, and facilities are ready to welcome residents eager to get outdoors again. Spring cleanup begins the moment weather allows.

Crews head out to clear fallen branches, debris, and leaves accumulated over the winter; inspect playgrounds for wear, safety issues, or needed repairs; prepare restrooms, water fountains, and shelters for reopening.

Staff will prepare flowerbeds for planting and prune bushes and trees to shape growth and improve park visibility. The recreation crew will prep soccer and softball fields programs that serve hundreds of kids, teens, and adults.

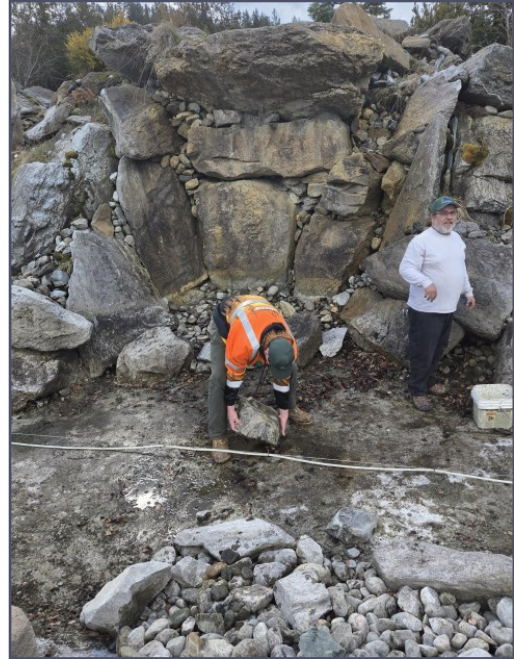
The Parks and Recreation Department looks forward to the change of season and hopes the community does, too!



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Spring Cleanup in the Parks, cont.

Parks Staff have been hard at work cleaning up the K27 Memorial Fountain in McEuen Park.





YOUTH T-BALL CAMP

MAY
5, 7, 12, 14TH
2pm - 3pm

3 & 4
YEAR OLDS



CAMP LOCATION: RAMSEY PARK FIELD 2

COST: \$40 RESIDENT \$50 NON-RESIDENT

REGISTRATION APRIL 1 - APRIL 25

Register at: teamsideline.com/cdaid