



## City of Coeur d'Alene Municipal Milestones Newsletter

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### IN THE NEWS

#### 2nd Annual FREE Compost Weekend!

The City of Coeur d'Alene Wastewater Department is hosting its 2nd Annual FREE Compost Weekend on April 20 and 21 at 3500 N. Julia Street. "Coeur d'Green" is a Class "A" exceptional quality compost and has no restrictions for application. This is a self-serve event—please bring a shovel and bucket to give your garden a head start this growing season. For more information, call the Wastewater Department at 208-769-2281.

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Did you know?  
 Coeur d'Alene has been composting Biosolids since 1990. Coeur d'Green is a Class "A" EQ (exceptional quality) compost and has no restrictions for application. More information is available online at <http://www.cdavid.org/158/departments/wastewater/biosolids-composting>

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#### Streets Spring Cleanup Begins

Spring has officially sprung, and Streets and Engineering Department crews are working diligently to clean up after winter's late arrival, filling all major potholes as they develop and fixing road damage caused by frost heaves. Citizens are encouraged to report road issues through our website link: [www.cdavid.org/potholes](http://www.cdavid.org/potholes). As temperatures and weather conditions allow, Streets & Engineering will begin sweeping the

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### CITY FACES



**Mandi Harris: Using Her Love of Reading to Enrich the Lives of Children & Teens at the CDA Public Library**

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

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residential neighborhoods and will update their online map so that homeowners can track progress and move their vehicles off of the street at the appropriate time. Visit [www.cdaid.org/streetsweeping](http://www.cdaid.org/streetsweeping) for more information. Happy Spring!



## Backflow Prevention

A friendly reminder — all residential and commercial Backflow Prevention Assemblies must be tested



annually. A successful test of the assembly must be completed by an Idaho certified tester and the results sent to the Water Department. A list of Idaho licensed backflow assembly testers can be found at this link:

[www.cdaid.org/backflow](http://www.cdaid.org/backflow). For more information, call 208-769-2210.

## CDA Parks is Seeking Temporary Grounds Maintenance Worker

The CDA Parks & Recreation Department is seeking a Temporary Grounds Maintenance Worker, to perform maintenance work in city parks, including irrigation systems and playground structures, turf and landscape maintenance, custodial duties, event and concert coverage and light construction/facility repair. Apply online only at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/cdaid?>.

## FREE Shred Day at the CDA Library April 13

The Coeur d'Alene Public Library will be hosting a FREE Shred Day on Saturday, April 13, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A document-shredding truck operated by Devries Business Services will be in the upper parking lot for convenient



## Tell us a little bit about your education and experience:

When I was a kid, I would alphabetize and organize my books for fun. That was probably an early sign I was always meant to be a librarian. My love of books continued into college, where I earned a bachelor's degree in English Literature from the University of Oregon. Just last week, I finished my Master of Library and Information Science degree at the University of Washington. I have been at the Coeur d'Alene Library for two months. Prior to that, I was a Youth Services Specialist at the Hayden branch of the Community Library Network for six years. During my years in libraries, I have led programs for children and teens of all ages doing everything from story time for infants to extracting DNA from strawberries with elementary schoolers.

## What are your current job responsibilities?

I lead programs for children ages birth-12. This includes Book Babies, Toddler Music and Movement, Preschool Story Time, Sensory Story Time, and Code Club. I also plan special events for the children's library. In addition, I choose books for the children's section. I am planning our children's Summer Reading program. Summer Reading 2019 will be space-themed! We will explore other planets, stars, and take a closer look at the planet we call home. My favorite part of my job is getting to see children and families grow and learn together. I have never felt so much a part of a community as I did when I began working in libraries.

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drive-up service until 1 p.m., or until the truck is full. Bring old financial or other confidential documents and have them safely destroyed. Limit of 5 boxes per vehicle. Shred Day is made possible by a grant from the Friends of the Library.

### Classical Music for Children at the CDA Public Library

Members of the Lake City Strings will present a classical music program just right for children on Saturday, April 20, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., followed by a classical music program the next Saturday, April 27, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m., presented by the Coeur d'Alene



Symphony. After the short programs, children can get up close and personal with musicians to find out what it is like to play an instrument.

### Children's Haiku and Art with Donna Bain at the CDA Public Library



In honor of National Poetry Month, children ages 8-12 are invited to spend an hour with artist/poet Donna Bain on Tuesday, April 9, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., at the Coeur d'Alene Public Library. Donna will read from her book of poetry and lead children in brainstorming a group haiku.

Children will then write and illustrate their own haiku to take home. For more information, call 208-769-2315

**What would you like the public to know about activities for youth at the Coeur d'Alene Library?** Story time isn't just for the kids; it is a place for caregivers to socialize and learn from one another. I love seeing children develop a love of reading. The library can be a place for them to explore the world around them and the worlds within their own imaginations. Youth activities at the Coeur d'Alene Library include books, but also feature STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) activities, art, poetry, and music. I believe in the library as a learning lab: a place for kids to learn, create, explore, try, and collaborate.

**What about your family and interests?** If you guess that one of my favorite activities is reading, you would be right! I am also lucky to have a lot of family in the area; spending time with my 8 nieces and nephews is one of my favorite activities. I love to travel! Last summer, I spent a month studying libraries and museums in New Zealand and Australia. This year, I am headed to England. I enjoy hiking and kayaking. I am excited to be working so close to the lake and plan to enjoy the beautiful views with many walks on my lunch break!

