



City of Coeur d'Alene Municipal Milestones Newsletter

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IN THE NEWS

Thousands Celebrate the Life of a Fallen Officer

More than 4,000 civilians, law enforcement personnel, first responders, friends and loved ones gathered at Lake City High School to honor Sgt. Greg Moore, 43, who was shot in the line of duty earlier this month, and later died. Officers of every rank traveled from areas such as western Washington, southern Idaho, Montana and Canada to attend the hero's ceremony and pay their respects to their fallen brother. Several of Moore's closest friends and colleagues spoke about their lives with him.

"Greg was a part of a proud profession, and an even prouder police department," said Coeur d'Alene Police Chief Lee White. "Sgt. Moore will never be forgotten. K27, rest in peace, my friend."



Large Student Groups Tour Wastewater Plant

About 120 fifth graders from Ramsey Science Magnet School recently toured the Coeur d'Alene Wastewater Treatment Plant. There were plenty of questions from the inquisitive students who were guided by Wastewater Superintendent



Sid Fredrickson and several members of his staff. The University of Idaho, the city's Drainage Utility, and the Wastewater Department sponsored the event.

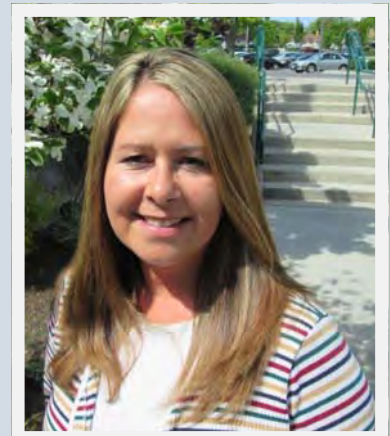
"The tours were wonderful. The teachers and parents said it was great and they really enjoyed everything," said Torri Green of the

Wastewater Department. "Everyone seemed to really enjoy all of the demonstrations and the interaction with the kids."

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CITY FACES



Kim Harrington:

Protecting our Drinking Water

While most of us don't give it much thought, all liquids flowing into drywells, catch basins and grassy swales eventually end up in our drinking water. With this in mind, the city of Coeur d'Alene created a drainage utility to manage stormwater drainage to protect water quality and,

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Restoration of Fort Sherman Playground Completed

More than 400 cumulative hours of work, hundreds of volunteers, three phases spanning several weeks, and 30 gallons of sealant. Restoration of the popular Fort Sherman Playground at City Park downtown was completed earlier this month. Organized by the Idaho Panhandle Kiwanis, the project involved power washing, painting and applying sealant.



“What’s really neat is that about half of the overall volunteers were high school and college kids donating their time. The playground has a fresh breath of new life,” said Kiwanis President Dave Kilburg.

Crews Continue Work on Handicap Ramps Downtown



To come into compliance with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) regulations, the city’s Street Department continues to install handicap ramps. Here, crews work at the intersection of Sixth Street and Sherman Avenue. Work will continue westward along Sherman and be stalled when summer events such as

Car d’Lane and Ironman approach, according to Terry Leigh of the Street Department.

Coeur d’Alene to Celebrate Bike to Work Week June 1-6

While National Bike to Work Week will be recognized May 11-15, the city of Coeur d’Alene will observe the annual event during the first week of June when the weather is anticipated to be better. Here is a list of festivities planned for the city’s bike week: Monday, June 1, Kick-Off Ride; Tuesday, June 2, Moonlight Ride; Wednesday, June 3, Bike Brews and Burgers Ride;



Friday, June 5, Beer tasting and a movie. For more details on these events, contact trails coordinator Monte McCully at 292-5766.

ultimately, the public’s health. Kim Harrington, an assistant project manager in the city’s Engineering Department, oversees the program. Municipal Milestones recently caught up with Kim to learn a little bit more about her, the drainage utility and what’s being done to protect our drinking water.

How long have you worked for the city and how did you end up with a focus on stormwater management?

I was hired in November of 1999 as an account clerk 1 in the Finance Department. I have a degree in Water Resource Technology from Spokane Community College. I accepted the assistant project manager position, which was a new city position, because it offered me opportunity and challenge.

Why is stormwater management so important?

Water quality. Stormwater does not receive treatment like wastewater — it drains directly to our waterways. A properly managed and maintained drainage system reduces the occurrence and intensity of urban flooding.

As an assistant project manager in the Engineering Department with a focus on stormwater management, what are your primary responsibilities?

Management and implementation of our discharge permit requirements as issued to the city by the Environmental Protection Agency. The permit contains six minimum measures which include: (1) Public education and outreach, (2) Public involvement/participation, (3) Illicit discharge detection and elimination, (4) Construction site stormwater runoff control, (5) Post-construction stormwater management in new development and redevelopment, and

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Downtown Cd'A Bike Corrals are Back

The city has placed two bike corrals downtown to help kick off bike season. One is located in front of Calypso's on the 200 block of Lakeside. The other has



changed locations from Sherman Avenue to 7th Street in front of Bakery by the Lake. "They're already getting a ton of use," said Monte McCully, trails coordinator for the city.

The bike corral will not be going back to Sherman Avenue due to the high volume of traffic and the existence of several bike racks in the area. The Ped/Bike

Committee has reviewed the downtown area and has come up with other locations available for bike corrals if businesses want to purchase and maintain one.

CITY SCOPE

Get Out and Vote - Public Safety Bond May 19



Coeur d'Alene voters will be asked to consider a \$6 million, 10-year public safety bond to fund needed capital expenditures for the Police and Fire Departments. If approved, the general obligation bond would replace a 10-year bond approved by voters in 2005. The expiring bond was approved for \$7 million with an interest rate of

3.93 percent. The anticipated interest rate for the proposed bond is 2.96 percent. The lower bond amount and lower interest rate would result in a lower cost to property owners. After a homeowners exemption, the owner of a median priced home (\$192,500) in Coeur d'Alene would pay \$23.45 per year if the bond passes. The current rate on a home that price is \$28.65 per year.



(6) Pollution prevention and good housekeeping for municipal operations.

What is the condition of the city of Coeur d'Alene's stormwater drainage system? The success of our drainage utility is a joint effort involving several departments within the city. The Engineering Department reviews submitted plans for stormwater drainage designs, establishes the standards for stormwater infrastructure and performs inspections of infrastructure and best management practices for erosion control on construction sites. The Street Department performs updates and makes repairs to the drainage infrastructure and on-going maintenance of the drainage system.

A big part of your job is educating the public on protecting our waters and aquifer. What are your top professional priorities to achieve this? Creating partnerships with other agencies and educational institutions in order to effectively communicate the importance of stormwater pollution prevention.

Kim has been married to Pat for 32 years and has two daughters, Amanda and Chelsea, and two grandchildren, John and James.

