



City of Coeur d'Alene Municipal Milestones Newsletter

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IN THE NEWS

City's Arts Commission Announces Winners of 21st Annual Mayor's Awards in the Arts

The City of Coeur d'Alene Arts Commission announced the winners of the 21st Annual Mayor's Awards in the Arts:

- EXCELLENCE IN THE ARTS:** Harold Balazs
- SUPPORT OF THE ARTS:** Mary Lou Reed
- ARTS IN EDUCATION:** Pam Asher
- STUDENT EXCELLENCE IN THE ARTS:** Keely Brennan
- LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:** Steve Gibbs

Mayor Steve Widmyer will present the awards on Thursday, October 13, at 6 p.m. at the Hagadone Event Center. This event is open to the public, and anyone interested in attending to support the winners is invited. The Mayor's Awards in the Arts are presented by the Coeur d'Alene Arts Commission and the City of Coeur d'Alene to recognize and encourage excellence in the arts and to stimulate and support awareness of the arts throughout the city.



Sherman Avenue Named One of 15 Great Places in America by the American Planning Association

The American Planning Association named Sherman Avenue one of five Great Streets on their "Great Places in America" list. The Great Places in America program recognizes streets, neighborhoods, and public spaces in the U.S. demonstrating

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CITY FACES



Kelley Setters: Diversity & Challenge in Planning

Municipal Milestones recently caught up with newly hired Planning Technician Kelley Setters to learn more about her role with the City.

Have you always been interested in planning? Planning just kind of happened to find me. I started

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exceptional character, quality, and planning—attributes that enrich communities, facilitate economic growth, and inspire others around the country. Coeur d'Alene Mayor Steve Widmyer said this recognition is a true honor for the community.



CDA Seeks Public Input on Vacation Rentals

A two-day minimum stay, required permits and a responsible party

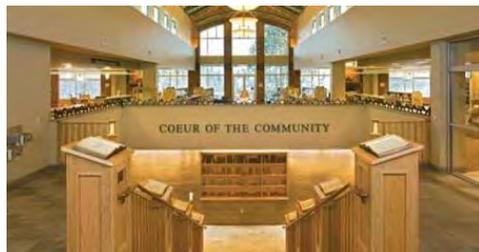


that can deal with issues at a residence are all part of a proposed vacation rental ordinance now out for public comment. The city is inviting public input through October 16 regarding the proposed ordinance, which would outline rules and regulations for short-term rentals, commonly referred to as

vacation rentals. Travelers commonly book such rentals online through websites like Airbnb and VRBO. Comments can be provided to Planner Sean Holm at sholm@cdaid.org, or by calling 676-7401. The draft ordinance, “Good Neighbor” pamphlet and the application and checklist can be reviewed online at cdaid.org/vacationrentals.

Coeur d'Alene Public Library Named “Most Beautiful Library” in the State of Idaho!

We’re so proud to be named the “Most Beautiful Library” in the state of Idaho! ELLE DECOR looked at the most beautiful library facilities in all 50 states and we got top billing in the Gem State. If you haven’t stopped by recently, please come say hi, check out our amazing selection of books, our



working for the Planning Department at the City of Post Falls in 2007 as a Department Specialist, and was promoted to Administrative Specialist and then to Planning Specialist. Planning is a diverse field that is always changing and is very interesting and challenging. You never get bored. I love it!

What is the focus of your current workload with the city of Coeur d'Alene? Provide customer service to the public with questions in regard to zoning requirements, application procedures, conduct residential building site plan reviews, sign off on single-family residential building permits, examine applications for compliance with ordinance regulations, and assist planning staff with projects.

Tell us a little bit about your education and experience: I attended community college and studied American Sign Language and Computer Science. I worked for California State Parks in the Human Resources Department as secretary to the human resources manager and later transferred to a field park office as an office technician. I was employed at the City of Post Falls for nine years and had the opportunity to assist the city administrator in economic development, provide customer service, process special use permits,

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digital collections, and learn about upcoming events! The library is located right next to City Hall at 702 E. Front Avenue.

Coeur d'Alene Encourages Safe Irrigation Winterization

City of Coeur d'Alene water customers will soon be starting to prepare their lawn and garden irrigation systems for the coming



cold weather and the city wants people to make sure they're safe. In our area, the most common practice is to use compressed air to blow out the leftover water in the irrigation piping. When performed

correctly, this can be an efficient method to prevent expensive damage to irrigation systems caused by freezing. If performed incorrectly, however, costly damage to backflow assemblies can occur. You can also run the risk of contaminating not only your water, but that of your neighbors. For guidelines to help provide protection to you and other community members from irrigation system contamination, visit cdaid.org/irrigation. If you have any questions, please contact Gary Alan Nolan at the City of Coeur d'Alene Water Department at 769-2220, ext. 818.

Library Craft Fair Accepting Registrations

Registration is now open for the 2016 Holiday Craft Fair at the Coeur d'Alene Public Library scheduled for Friday and Saturday, November 4 and 5, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. Registration forms can be picked up at the Library, 702 E. Front Avenue, or can be requested by email from dtownsend@cdalibrary.org. Registrations will not be accepted over the phone. This event is intended only for locally produced handmade products and not for the resale of manufactured products or other commercial services. For more information, contact David Townsend, Library Communications Coordinator, at dtownsend@cdalibrary.org.

business licenses and planning questions. Additionally, I examined applications for compliance with ordinance regulations, prepared meeting materials for the Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council meetings, reviewed residential site plans, updated GIS residential structure layers, managed and prepared all documents for the Planning Department and provided administrative support for the Public Services director.

Tell us a little bit about yourself: I moved to Spirit Lake in 2006. I am originally from Garden Valley, California (in the foothills of Sacramento.) I love to spend time with my 13-year-old son, who races outlaw karts most weekends in Missoula, Montana. I enjoy hiking, fishing, kayaking, and bike riding when the weather permits, and shopping would be my all-time favorite hobby! I am super organized and have a strong desire to provide superior customer service.

