



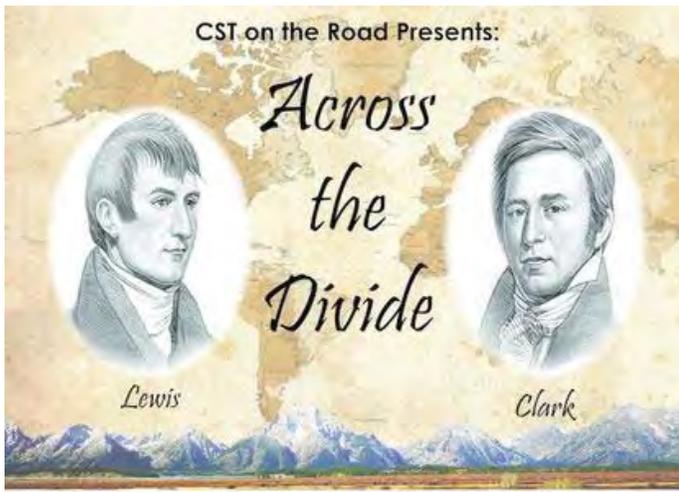
## City of Coeur d'Alene Municipal Milestones Newsletter

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### IN THE NEWS

#### Coeur d'Alene Summer Theatre ON THE ROAD at the Library

Coeur d'Alene Summer Theatre (CST) On the Road uses the story of Lewis and Clark to teach about history and the modern-day social challenges faced by students in a presentation coming to the library on Thursday, Feb. 8, at 7 p.m. "Across the Divide," written by CST Artistic Director Jadd Davis and Director of Education Aimee Paxton, for the 2017-18 school year for presentation in regional schools, grades K-8. "Across the Divide" addresses the history of the Lewis and Clark expedition, contemporary natural history, issues of bullying and cyberbullying, the nature of friendship and family, and the value of unplugging and getting outdoors. For more information, contact [education@cdasummertheatre.com](mailto:education@cdasummertheatre.com) or 208.660.2958.



### Newsletter Archives



### CITY FACES



#### **Carrie Meek: The New & Very Friendly Face of City Hall**

Municipal Milestones recently caught up with newly-hired Department Specialist, Carrie Meek, to learn more about her role with the City.

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#### **CDA Fire Department's Record Year**

The CDA Fire Department responded to over 9,000 calls for service in 2017. The 9,157 calls for service last year equate to a 34 percent increase in calls for service over the last decade. The FD



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thanks the Mayor and Council for their vision and foresight in the acquisition of the land for Station 4 and the appropriation of impact fees gathered from new development for the construction of the building. Station 4 is a tribute to growth paying for growth. The FD is already looking to the future and identifying our future needs as the City continues to grow. Tracking calls, and their types, helps the development to assess the best ways to continue to provide crucial public safety services citywide and to plan long-term for the community's needs.



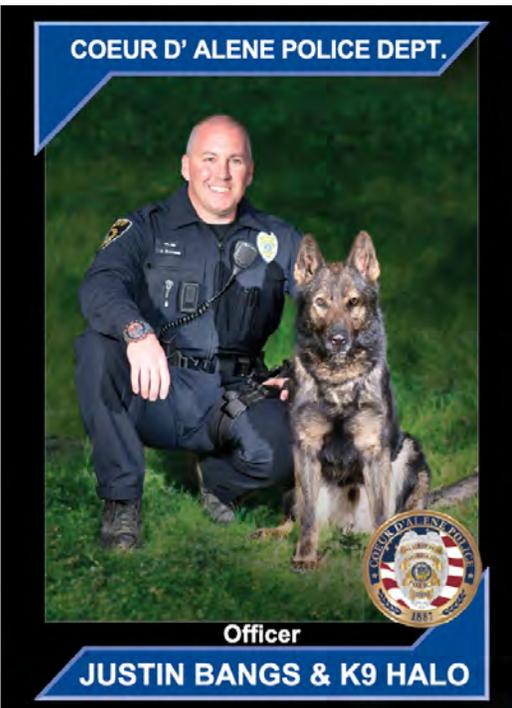
**Tell us a little bit about your background and experience:** My family and I moved here from Seattle about 7 months ago. I have now worked for the City of Coeur d'Alene for one month! My previous experience was as a Front Office Manager for a tax and accounting firm and Sales and Marketing for a publishing firm where I represented and ran several different real estate/new home builder publications.

**You are the "Face of City Hall." As such, what does "customer service" mean to you?** Customer Service, to me, is probably the most important job any office/company has! It is a first point of contact when we greet our customer either by phone or in person and it is the last impression we can give them to make sure they had a great, friendly experience.

**What is the most fulfilling aspect of your job, and why?** That one is a hard one to answer. There are a few areas that are most fulfilling here at City Hall. One is meeting everyone who comes through the door. Why? It is a wonderful way to get to know so many within our community. They share information about the area, business, history, or even their family. Making them feel welcome coming in and even having them remember our last conversation shows they enjoyed their last visit and that I, hopefully, helped

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## Officer and K9 Complete State Narcotic Certification Course



Officer Justin Bangs and his partner, K9 Halo, just completed a six week Idaho Narcotic certification course with a passing score of 100%. K9 Halo is now certified in the State of Idaho to find Methamphetamine, Heroin, Cocaine and Marijuana. Just prior to this course, he attended a 7 week certification course in K9 apprehension in Mesa, AZ. Officer Bangs and K9 Halo dedicated 13 weeks of long and hard

work to better serve the citizens of Coeur d'Alene. Congratulations!



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## Get Informed Now!

### NEW EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM!

If there is an emergency in the City of Coeur d' Alene you will get notified immediately! Text message, Email, Mobile App.

Don't be the last one to know, Be prepared!

**Sign up at Nixle.com or just text your Zip Code to 888777 to get instantly notified of an emergency!**



### 29th Annual Writers Competition at the Library



The rules for the 29th annual Writers Competition at the Coeur d'Alene Public Library are changing. Creating entries will be simpler and entry fees have been eliminated. The library is also partnering with Idaho Public Television to encourage young writers to participate in the PBS Kids Writers Contests. Copies of the new rules and entry forms are available at the library and also available online

at [www.cdalibrary.org/events](http://www.cdalibrary.org/events). Forms can also be requested by email to [dtownsend@cdalibrary.org](mailto:dtownsend@cdalibrary.org). Entries need to be mailed or delivered to the library no later than Saturday, March 31. For more information, call 208.769.2315.

them have a good experience. The second would be all the employees here at City Hall. I enjoy assisting different departments with projects they need extra help with. And the amount of kindness and respect at City Hall is so appreciated. I truly look forward to coming to work here every day.

**What do you love about Coeur d'Alene and North Idaho?** The people and the beautiful scenery. The people here are so kind and the city of Coeur d'Alene is absolutely beautiful. My mother grew up in Northern Idaho (Wallace) and I spent many summers coming to visit my grandmother. This past summer we spent a lot of time at Priest Lake. Not only is that area absolutely peaceful and beautiful, it is a short drive away and we were lucky to be able to pick lots of huckleberries! And the best part about this area is that you can get just about anywhere in this beautiful city in about 15 minutes!

**What about your family and interests?** My husband and I have been married for 14 years and we have a beautiful 8 year old daughter. We enjoy the outdoors, going camping and exploring new places. Now that we are here in Northern Idaho, I'm sure we will have many new adventures!

