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Street Fair in Coeur d'Alene 7/30 – 8/1

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Sunday 2010

R.A.P. Meeting

The 2nd Monday,
July 12th at noon
at the

Jewett House

1501 E Lakeshore Dr.
Coeur d'Alene, ID

A light lunch will be served at no cost!

Summer Meetings are informal with our kids!

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Art On The Green

Join in the celebration of art. The annual 42nd Art on the Green will be held on July 30th, 31st, and August 1st in Coeur d'Alene. It will be at the Old Fort Sherman Grounds on the North Idaho College Campus. Art on the Green will be a short walk from the downtown Street Fair and the City Park where Taste of Coeur d'Alene is being held on the same dates. Shuttle service is available during the festival Art on the Green will be open on Friday(7/30) at 12 – 7:30 p.m. Saturday(7/31) at 10 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. & Sunday(8/1) 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Join locals and visitors alike as they stroll downtown Coeur d'Alene at one of the biggest events of the year, the Coeur d'Alene Street Fair. The Coeur d'Alene Downtown Association hosts this 3-day event every year that features some of the finest arts and crafts in the region, along with food and entertainment on Sherman Ave. The Street Fair is free to the public and will begin Friday, July 30th, and go through Sunday, August 1st. There is a free shuttle bus that runs each day between the three venues (CdA Street Fair, Taste of CdA and Art on the Green) with stops at 3rd and 4th Streets and Sherman Avenue (buses will arrive about every 30 minutes).

The Idaho Panhandle Kiwanis Club presents A Taste of Coeur d'Alene in the Coeur d'Alene City Park. There will be over 25 food booths staffed by top quality professional food vendors from the Northwest. This event is at the same dates and times as the CdA Street Fair. In addition to great food and beautiful art, enjoy the sounds of professional musicians and musical groups throughout the three days in the City Park Bandstand. This is a 3-day event you won't want to miss! www.cdadowntown.com

Cooking Classes for Children in Sandpoint

Do you have a five or six year old who wants to learn to cook? This class is FREE to children (with an adult) that have families that are food stamp eligible. The class will be held on July 9, 2010 at 11AM to 12:30 PM at the U of I Bonners County Extension Office at the fairgrounds. On Tuesdays in July (7/6, 7/13, 7/20, & 7/27) there will be a FREE summer cooking class for youth ages 8 - 14 years old with an adult companion. It will also be held at the Bonners County Extension Office located at 4205 North Boyer in Sandpoint.

- Learn Basic Cooking Skills
- Healthy Cooking
- Quick and Easy Recipes
- Nutrition information

Everyone will receive a cookbook and a meat thermometer.

For more information contact: Linda Wylie 208-263-6191 lwylie@uidaho.edu





Mission is to:
"Build healthy families by promoting broad-based community collaboration and coordination to combine resources to reduce substance abuse, increase literacy, and to reduce the duplication of services."

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Mission of Kootenai County Kin-Care Committee is to:
Advance Community Support for a Safe and Nurturing Environment for Children Raised by Relatives.



The RAP/GAP Mascot is the turtle. The turtle, like us and our children, has a hard shell to protect it from getting hurt, but the inside is soft, vulnerable and loveable. We must learn to stick our heads out of our shell and take a chance.

Fourth of July in CdA

One experience you do not want to miss is the Fourth of July celebration in Coeur d'Alene. Tens of thousands flock downtown to watch the parade, enjoy a picnic in the park and after dark watch the fireworks over Lake Coeur d'Alene. The American Heros Parade begins at 11 a.m. More than 100 entries will follow the route on Sherman Avenue from 15th Street to Government Way. The Coeur d'Alene Fourth of July Festival is presented by Knudtsen Chevrolet. Activities in City Park, with vendors and music in the bandshell is sponsored by the Coeur d'Alene Casino. The fireworks will begin at dusk and are paid for by community donations.

Harrison Old Time Picnic

The Harrison Old Time Picnic and activities are held on July 23rd thru 25th in the city of Harrison. This annual event brings together folks from the past and present. Enjoy a weekend filled with fun events for the entire family. Sunday is the main day, with breakfast from 6 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the City Park. Lunch in the City Park begins at 11 a.m. For more information about this event call: Patty Carlson at 689-9040

Julyamsh

Julyamsh is the Northwest's largest outdoor powwow, a breathtaking event with different tribes from all over the country represented and displaying their colorful regalia.

Grandmothers, mothers with babies, warriors and Youth of Native American dance, and drum groups compete for prizes. Vendors serving tasty treats, such as fry bread, that fill the air with wonderful smells.

This year, the powwow begins on Friday evening, July 23rd and continues until July 25th at the Greyhound Park and Event Center in Post Falls.

Admission is free, but there is a \$5 fee for parking, good for all day.

Things To Do In The Summer

Hike on Tubbs Hill

One of the best ways to enjoy a peaceful day is hiking through the heart of Coeur d'Alene: Tubbs Hill. There are 2.2 miles of trails on the 135 acres of property owned by the city of Coeur d'Alene. The hill is a haven to wildlife and is also replete with vegetation.

Mudgy and Millie Trail

Mudgy and Millie follow a storybook on a 2 ¼ mile journey, with five bronze statues marking their travels as Mudgy the moose looks for Millie the mouse.

The pair raises money for the CdA Library Foundation through sales of the book by Susan Nip that the story is based upon. For more information visit www.mudgyandmillie.com

Tour Buck Knives Factory

Take a tour of the Buck Knives Factory and see how a knife is made from the beginning to the end. The Buck Knife factory is located in Post Falls. Tours are free and conducted Monday through Thursday at 10 a.m., noon, and 2 p.m. Reservations are required for all tours. Call (800) 326-2825, ext 172.

Bird Watching

Kootenai County is a wonderful place to watch birds, with nearly 200 bird species seen every year in the area. Among the notable species are American wigeon, varied thrush and winter wren. You can find loons, wood ducks, bald eagles, tundra swan, blue heron, and lots of back yard feeding species. Start a scrap book and keep track of the birds you spot this summer. Look for more information in the Idaho Birding Trail Guide, available from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

For more information visit

www.cdaaudubon.org

Hit the Centennial Trail

Walkers, runners and bicyclists can head zestfully off to the Centennial Trail to absorb nature, meet new people and exercise. The trail hugs the Spokane River and Lake Coeur d'Alene, stretching 24 miles from Idaho-Washington border to Higgins Point. The Prairie Trail intersects with the Centennial Trail and connects to the Kroc Center, Indian Meadows and the Fairway Forest neighborhoods. For a map and more information visit

www.northidahocentennialtrail.org

Free Summer Food Service Program for Youth

All meals meet the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Each meal includes 1 Entrée, 3 side dishes and milk. Juice will be substituted for those with allergies to milk. Meals are FREE to children ages 1 through 18 years. Adults may purchase breakfast for \$1 and lunch for \$2. No Income Eligibility Required! No names and no information requested. Just Come and Eat!!! No Meals on July 5, 2010

Coeur d'Alene School District

Meals will be served on weekdays from June 17 through August 13, except for July 5. Locations are Bryan Elementary School, Fernan Elementary School, Hayden Kinder Center, and Ramsey Elementary School. Approximate serving times are 8 to 9 a.m. for breakfast and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for lunch.

Post Falls School District

Meals will be served on weekdays from June 21 through August 20, except July 5. Locations are Seltice Elementary School, Ponderosa Elementary School, Post Fall Middle School and Post Falls High School. Approximate serving times are 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. From June 21 through July 14 River City Middle School will serve meals at 7:30 to 8 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Prairie View Elementary will serve meals from July 19 through August 5 at 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 and 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Shoshone County School District

A Summer Lunch will be served on weekdays in the City Park from June 14 through August 13, except for July 5, from 12 to 1:00 p.m.

St. Maries School District

Meals will be served on weekdays from June 21 through August 20, except on July 5, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at UpRiver Elementary Multi-Purpose Room and Heyburn Elementary Multi-Purpose Room from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Adult breakfast is \$1.75 and adult lunch is \$3.20

Lake Pend Oreille School District

Meals will be served on weekdays June 22 through August 27 at Farmin-Stidwell Elementary School from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and at the City Beach (grassy area next to playground) from July 6 through August 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

East Bonner County Library will distribute new free books to children and have a story time at Farmin Elementary School during lunch on July 7, 8 and 9 during the lunch hour.

All children are also welcome to join Scout leaders for free fun outdoor science projects at Farmin Elementary School on July 1 & 2 and at the City Beach on July 7, 8 & 9 during the lunch hour.

Help Celebrate Rathdrum & Hayden Days

This year, Rathdrum Days is on July 16 & 17. It includes crafters, vendors, great food, live entertainment and more. For more information call 687-2866 or visit www.rathdrumdays.org.

Hayden Days is July 23 & 24, with a parade and events at Hayden City Park. For more information call 772-4411.



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Raising
Grandchildren
www.aarp.org

Idaho KINCARE
Coalition Mission:
"To promote social and legislative change through education and advocacy and to provide the social supports needed by grandparents and other relatives raising the children in their care"



KINCARE Coalition Leadership Committee's Work Plan: Support the development of community partnerships that will develop strong relationships with kinship families and work in partnership to improve, expand and sustain programs and services to kinship families.

Check out Kootenai Alliance for Children & Families new website! They have a page for the R.A.P.
www.kootenaialliance.org

Are You A Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle, Cousin or Sibling Raising a Relative Child?

Join our RAP Group if you need a listening ear or some new ideas. Meet us at the Jewett House



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The RAP Support Group meets the second Monday of the month at:
Jewett House
1501 E. Lakeshore Drive
Coeur d'Alene, ID
Noon - 2 o'clock

RAP provides information & support to kinship care givers through sharing information and guest speakers. We stay aware of the laws and proposed legislation that impacts kin care givers & children. Contact:

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RAP Mission is to:
Make the world a better place for those children whose parents are unable or unwilling to assume the legal & moral responsibilities of parenthood.

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