

Downtown Newsletter – Dec. 7, 2016

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DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS:

Can you hear the Jingle Bells? **Downtown Horse Drawn Trolley rides** Saturdays, December 10th & 17th from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Pick up and drop off at the south east corner of Park Ave & B Street. All rides are free thanks to these Sponsors: Pachangas, Splash, Centre Theatre and Idaho Mountain Trading & Syringa Networks.
<http://downtownidahofalls.com/events/>

Holiday Pops: The Snowman Movie - Thursday, December 08, 2016 at 7:30 PM Civic Auditorium \$6-\$35
It's the most wonderful time of the year, and everyone is invited to enjoy The Snowman Movie, a heartfelt animated classic from 1982 with music by Howard Blake. The movie will be screened while the Idaho Falls Symphony provides a live orchestral soundtrack in real time. Plus, local dancers from the Idaho Falls School of Ballet will perform excerpts from The Nutcracker Ballet, and audiences can participate in singing a variety of holiday carols. ALL AGES WELCOME! office@ifsymphony.org / 208-529-1080 <http://www.ifsymphony.org/>

Miracle on 34th Street presented as a live Radio-Broadcast at the Trinity United Methodist Church (237 N Water Ave.) Dec. 8, 9 & 10 at 7:30pm – there will also be a matinee on the 10th at 2:00pm. Admission is free! Donations are welcome to benefit the Trinity United Methodist Church building fund.

'The Nutcracker' presented by Idaho Ballet Theatre - December 9, 10, and 12 - Colonial Theater • 7pm
Idaho Ballet Theatre presents its 13th annual Nutcracker Ballet. Over 100 local students with guest artists from Ballet Idaho and Ballet West will entertain you in this family appropriate, inspiring Christmas Tradition.
<http://www.idahofallsarts.org/the-nutcracker>

Broadway Christmas Wonderland - December 10, 2016 | 8pm at the Civic Auditorium -
'Broadway Christmas Wonderland' features glittering costumes, a dazzling cast, and the highest kicking Chorus Girls this side of the North Pole. Start Christmas in style as Santa and his merry helpers take you on an unforgettable nostalgic Christmas journey. Songs include "White Christmas," "Winter Wonderland," "Have Yourself A Very Merry Christmas," and many more! <http://www.idahofallsarts.org/broadway-at-the-civic>

THE ART MUSEUM OF EASTERN IDAHO (300 S. Capital Ave) <http://theartmuseum.org/>
FREE Family Day - December 10, Saturday, 11 am – 3 pm

Museum of Idaho Tree Lighting Ceremony on Dec. 15 at 5:30 p.m. Reminder: **Free tickets are required** to attend the tree lighting. Tickets can be picked up at the Museum of Idaho or Chesbro Music Co. beginning, Wed., Nov. 23. This One Night only, get your picture taken with penguins from the Idaho Falls Zoo!

Olde Fashioned Christmas and Winter Festival - December 15-31 Come enjoy looking at a wonderful display of festive dollhouse miniatures, unique Santa figurines, homemade gingerbread houses, nativity scenes, decorated trees and items from other cultures. This is free to the public – donations to the Museum are welcome. This event is sponsored by Chesbro Music Co.

Send Letters to Santa via Santa's mailbox located on the patio.

Tuba Christmas Concert on December 17 from 3 to 4 PM.

Victorian Christmas on December 17, The Northwest Living History Association will be making Victorian Era Crafts with children from 9 AM – 5 PM.

Museum Hours - Mon-Tues 9:00am-8:00pm Wed.-Sat. 9:00am-5:00pm;

Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve – 9:00am to 4:00pm Questions? Contact the Museum of Idaho at 522-1400.

The City of Idaho Falls presents **"Festival of Lights"** in Freeman Park - Nov. 15th thru Dec. 24th 6:00pm to 9:30pm. \$10 per carload - see website of more info on prices - <http://www.idahofallsidaho.gov/city/city-departments/parks-recreation/eventfestival-of-lights.html>

Tales of the Season with Teresa Clark - December 17, 2016 - Noon & 3pm • MC Theater at ARTitorium
Like hot cocoa and marshmallows, stories and Christmas blend perfectly together. Grab your family and join master storyteller, Teresa Clark, as she shares Stories for Christmas. <http://www.idahofallsarts.org/tales-of-the-season>

The Twelve Days of Christmas - Idaho Falls School of Ballet - December 17th, 2016 - 7:30 pm • Colonial Theater
What better material for a ballet than a list of whimsical, magical and at times outrageous gifts? A well-meaning admirer showers our heroine with daily deliveries, everything from high couture hens to leaping frog lords and an impressive line of drummers. Don't miss this holiday favorite featuring the musical talents of Melissa Matthews and David Bowman with Idaho Falls School of Ballet dancers! <http://www.idahofallsarts.org/the-twelve-days-of-christmas>

'Santa Crawl' to restock the Idaho Falls' Food Bank, December 17th, downtown Idaho Falls! Calling all Santa's, Elves, Reindeer, Candy Canes, and toy soldiers! Here's how it will work....Bring food items to the **Idaho Brewing Company at 775 S Capital Ave - between noon and 2 on Saturday, the 17th** and you will be given a coupon sheet to guide you through a pub crawl that will save you at least \$20 on Christmas cheer in the downtown pubs! The food bank needs canned meats, canned fruits, canned or dry pasta, canned chili, and Hamburger Helper (or other just add meat dry mixes). **Crawl continues into the evening.** Must be 21 years old to participate. Costumes are encouraged, but you must look like your ID to be served.

Christmas Through the Years - December 20, 2016 - 7PM • Colonial Theater - Presented by Eagle Rock Dance
<http://www.idahofallsarts.org/a-season-of-giving>

A Christmas Story - Colonial Classic Movies - December 22 - 7:30pm - Colonial Theater
<http://colonialclassicmovies.com/deals/a-christmas-story-dec-22/>

Still shopping for the perfect gift? DOWNTOWN GIFT CERTIFICATES are the answer! - You give Downtown Gift Certificates and they get to pick where to spend it and choose what they really want. Perfect! They can be used just like cash at your favorite downtown shops and restaurants. Get your gift certificates now and enjoy shopping downtown! They can be purchased at the Downtown Development office - 425 N Capital or at The Collective Cachet - 396 Park Ave. <http://downtownidahofalls.com/downtown-gift-certificates/>

CULTURAL EVENTS DOWNTOWN:

Korby Lenker - December 6, 2016 - 7PM • Carr Gallery - 2016 Winner of the Rocky Mountain Folks Festival Songwriter's Competition (out of some 400 contestants), Korby is a dynamic, compelling performer — sometimes up on tip toe, singing in a hush, his performances are known for being engaging and personal, transparent and elevating. <http://www.idahofallsarts.org/korby-lenker>

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ART Collective - Thru December 30, 2016 - An annual homage to the art organizations, groups and guilds in eastern Idaho that nurture the professional and artistic development of regional artists.

Also featuring . . . New Acquisitions from TAM's Permanent Collection & the ARTmart ~ affordable, original artwork by Museum Artists for holiday shopping

The WAC Artist Studios, above the Willard Arts Center, are now open to the public before shows in the theater!
Dec 9th & 10th - The WAC Artists Studios, above the Willard Arts Center, will be hosting a Holiday Open House! Original paintings, photographs, prints, jewelry, and more will be on display and for sale. Stop in to talk to the artists and enjoy some hot cider! Open hours will be from 10am-4pm.

Willard Arts Center (450 A Street) –

The 5 Graces Exhibition in the Carr Gallery in the Willard Arts Center through January 8th.

<http://www.idahofallsarts.org/the-5-graces> The 5 Graces Exhibition highlights the works of five area artists, each specializing in a different medium:

John Schroeder (acrylic)
Jason Brown (metal)
Roy Reynolds (oil)
Kevin Odette (photography)
Anne Voillequé (wax)

The Idaho Falls National Exhibition is an annual juried exhibition by the Idaho Falls Arts Council and exhibited at the Willard Arts Center in Idaho Falls, Idaho. Artists working in all mediums throughout the United States are invited to submit. **Deadline January 18, 2017** For more info go to the website:
<http://www.idahofallsarts.org/9th-annual-national-juried-exhibition>

Eastern Idaho Jazz Society Jam Session – the first Wednesday of each month – <http://www.eijs.org/>

ARTitorium! (271 W Broadway) <http://www.artitoriumonbroadway.org> a unique facility that combines art and technology to create an interactive space that is perfect for children of all ages! Register for Art Classes! Classes are available for three age groups: 5-7 year olds, 8-10 year olds, and 11 years old and above.
<http://www.artitoriumonbroadway.org/art-classes>

New Attractions are headed to ARTitorium! But **we need some donated items** from you to help make them possible. All donations can be dropped off at ARTitorium at 271 W Broadway from 10-6 on Tuesday - Saturday.
Boxes (for a special project over Thanksgiving Break, November 21-26!) Cereal Boxes - Shoe Boxes - Any Other Small-ish Boxes (Please don't flatten the boxes) **Miscellaneous Items** (for a couple of new permanent installations!) Metal pots and pans, lids – Colanders - Planters/Buckets/Plastic Bins - PVC and/or Copper Pipes and Fittings - Tin Cans - Wind Chimes – Bells – Spoons - Wood Pallets - Milk Jugs/Juice Bottles/Large Soda Bottles – Ribbon Thank you!

DOWNTOWN MERCHANT SALES AND SPECIAL INFO:

WeeBee Toys (492 Shoup Ave) **Saturday, December 10 at 8 AM - 3 PM – WeeBee's one year Birthday Bash!** Come celebrate with us, eat cake, shop between 8:00am to 10:00am and get 10% off, face painting, a magic show and watch live yoyo demonstrations from 11:00am to 3:00pm, and enter our raffle for your chance to win a Hatchimal -all proceeds from the raffle will benefit 'Toys for Tots'!! Drawings will be at 12:00pm and 2:00pm.
<https://www.facebook.com/weebeetoys/>

Maggie's Place Tutoring and Enrichment Center – WINTER CAMPS! Dec. 19-23 - LEGO Robotics Camp 10am-12pm or YouTube Video Making Camp 1pm-3pm Enroll online today! Give an "Experience" gift rather than more "stuff" to your favorite child this year! Check out all our enrichment classes! Maggie's Place is located at 320 B St. Ste. 111, Idaho Falls 502-1112 www.maggiesplaceif.com

Healing Hands Reiki and Massage (429 B Street) It is a busy week for us at Healing Hands Reiki and Massage. We have daily massage, psychic readings, reiki treatments, Tarot Card readings and lots more. Special events this week are Palm Readings on Thursday and Saturday, a Breath Work Healing workshop from Shaman Adam Ramirez on Friday evening, and Saturday you can make your own Medicine Bag, attend Spiritual Book Club, and take an Astrology class! Check us out on Facebook to stay in the know about all upcoming events! <https://www.facebook.com/healinghandsidaho/?fref=ts>

Pandora's Baubles and Beads (440 Park Ave) - Upcoming classes:
DEC 7 - Copper Viking Knit Bracelet Wed 11 AM
DEC 9 - Penny Dixon Class Fri 4 PM
DEC 10 - Penny Dixon Bracelet Class Sat 12 PM
<https://www.facebook.com/pandorasbaublesandbeads/>

The Yarn Connection (415 Park Ave) call for info on future classes 524-8256.
<https://www.facebook.com/YarnConnection/>

Shaddow Domain llc – 341 W Broadway - Cards Against Humanity, Exploding Kittens, Feisty Pets, Pyro Pets, Dammit Dolls... From Salt Lamps to Chucky Masks and Annabelle dolls, we have something to surprise everyone on

your list! The NEW Cards Against Humanity expansion pack will be here any day. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/shaddowdomain and Pinterest, Twitter and Instagram

Centre Twin Theater - 461 Park Ave. - movies showing: <http://www.royaltheatres.com/index.php>

DOWNTOWN RESTAURANT HAPPENINGS:

Great Harvest Bread Co. (360 A Street - Mon-Sat 6am-6pm) Our Holiday favorites are back! Peppermint Chocolate Cookies & Brownies, peppermint mochas, toasted marshmallow hot chocolates, Gingerbread & Gingerbread cookies & apple spice and cranberry orange breads! And of course, our pumpkin cream cheese rolls & and pumpkin chocolate chip breads, muffins & cookies! Come in and warm up with a hot, hearty soup and grilled sandwich! We now make our famous Jalapeño cheese bread daily!... It makes for amazing grilled sandwiches! Remember...we offer free delivery in Historic Downtown 7am-5pm if you can't leave your office or store! (\$10 min please). Just give us a call at 522-7444. Happy Holidays and best wishes for a festive and busy shopping season in our great Historic Downtown! Shop small! See our full menu at <http://greatharvestidahofalls.com/>

Diablas Kitchen - (368 A Street) (208) 522-1510 We are open Saturday and Sunday for Weekend Brunch 10:00am to 3:00pm (which will be something you do not want to miss!) and for **Friday and Saturday night Theme Dinners – reservation only**. Checkout our menus on our facebook page and come join us.

DEC 23 - Christmas Carol Theme Dinner

DEC 31 - New Years Eve!

<https://www.facebook.com/Diablas-Kitchen-105520476153986/>

We will also be offering the restaurant as a venue for business meetings, special group lunches, parties etc.... This will be available Monday-Friday until 3pm. Call or message for details or questions about this. We are going to really amp up our Catering! So give us call for all of your catering needs. (208) 522-1510

Snakebite (401 Park Ave) 11-3:00 lunch 5-9:00 dinner - Happy Hour 3-5:00 In The Bar - All Idaho Beers On Tap Only \$2.00!!! Happy Hour Food Menu & Specials ~ Cheers!!

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-SnakeBite-Restaurant/265505283488032>

The Celt (398 W Broadway) <https://www.facebook.com/The.Celt.Idaho.Falls/>

DEC 9 - The Kyle Gass Band 9:30 PM

DEC 10 - Cory 9:30 PM

DEC 22 - Chanman Christmas Show 7:30 PM

DEC 31- New Years w Dr Zoo

BlackRock Fine Wine & Craft Beer (439 A Street) <https://www.facebook.com/BlackRockFineWineCraftBeer/>

DEC 7 - Wednesday Wine Tasting

DEC 8 - Open Mic Night!

DEC 9 - IPA Release Party with Grand Teton Brewing

DEC 11 - NFL Sunday Funday at BlackRock

DEC 12 - MNF at BlackRock!

DEC 13 - Blues Jam Session with Vince Bellon

LIVING DOWNTOWN:

743 S. Capital Avenue - INDUSTRIAL LIVE/WORK LOFTS along the Snake River - "WAREHOUSE DISTRICT" LOCATION - Prime location to develop residential live-work lofts in central Idaho Falls. Seller is looking for a joint venture partner. 1-3 acres are available for development (mixed-use to high density multifamily (R-3) residential uses) on the Snake River and Idaho Falls River Walk with easy access to Snake River Landing and historic downtown Idaho Falls. Be involved in the redevelopment of the "Warehouse District" and part of the expansion of this dynamic area. For more information contact: Doug Powell 208.535.8520 or email douglas.powell@svn.com.

GENERAL INFO:

What a deal!! We are selling 75 artificial 'noble fir' wreaths with natural-looking tips for only \$3.00 per wreath! When you fluff these wreaths out they are a nice full 23" to 24" wreath. Perfect size for your holiday decorating ideas and can be used indoors or outdoors. Some of the wreaths even have a red bow already on them. We will give a discount to anyone who buys 25 or more. Call us soon, as they are going FAST at this great price! (208) 535-0399 Idaho falls Downtown Development Corp. or email me at info@downtownidahofalls.com

4th of July Fireworks Celebration – Seeking Community Feedback - <https://www.facebook.com/IdahoFallsGov/>
Many are aware that Frank VanderSloot, CEO of Melaleuca, recently announced during a press conference that the annual "Melaleuca Freedom Celebration" and fireworks display would be moving in 2017 from its current location around the River Walk in Idaho Falls to an undetermined location. **As this event has been a long-standing community tradition for many years, we feel it is extremely important to gather feedback from community members.** What are your thoughts and ideas? As you post, we encourage constructive dialogue and creative ideas about the next location for the celebration. You can leave a comment on our facebook page and/or at the phone number and email address previously provided by Melaleuca at (208) 528-2011, freedom@melaleuca.com. Please note that while city staff may not reply to every comment on our facebook post, all comments will be reviewed by the city's elected officials and leadership team. Thank you in advance for your time, thoughtful dialogue and consideration of the opportunity before us. The more feedback we get from the community on this issue, the better.

We would like your help creating the plan for downtown Idaho Falls. What is a Downtown Plan? Simply put, it is a map to guide development and redevelopment in downtown Idaho Falls. It provides a single, coordinating vision and guiding principles for topics such as streetscape design, intersection design, housing, a parking strategy, financing strategies, identification of barriers to success, and identifying catalytic projects. This is your opportunity to make your voice heard and help shape the future of the City. Go to the 'Idaho Falls Downtown Plan' website and give your input <http://www.ifdowntown.com/participate--comment.html> . **This is available until Jan. 1st.**

Swing Junction's Big Band Swing Dance – December 3, 2016 - 8:00 PM to 11:00 PM at the Veteran's Memorial Building, 485 Constitution Way - Dance to a live big band the first Saturday of every month! Beginners are welcome, no partner required. 8 - 9 pm Introductory Swing Lesson - 9 - 11 pm Fees/Admission: \$7 for the lesson and the dance or \$5 for the dance portion only. <http://swingjunction.blogspot.com/>

The **bi-annual Discover Idaho Falls Parks and Recreation Guide** (Fall 2016 – Winter 2017) is now available throughout the City and online. <http://read.uberflip.com/i/727698-fall-winter-2016-parks-rec>

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EIRMC is celebrating their 30 year anniversary! Go to www.eirmc30years.com for anecdotes and video vignettes from awesome EIRMC employees who've been here since day one and community VIP's involved in the opening of the hospital; a historical photo gallery; timeline of EIRMC; and information about **EIRMC's 30,000 canned food drive thru Dec. 31st!** You can 'virtually donate' by simply clicking on the donate button and EIRMC will buy the cans for you! <http://eirmc.com/campaigns/30-years-food-drive> There is a grocery cart in the cafeteria and the main lobby if you want to drop off a donation - please CANNED goods only, no glass, boxes or bags of food. The collected food will be donated to the Community Food Basket, Idaho Falls Soup Kitchen, St. Vincent de Paul, Salvation Army, North Fremont Food Pantry, Jefferson County Food Bank, Cornerstone Pentecostal Food Bank, North Bingham County Community Food Bank, and Community Dinner Table (Blackfoot Community Pantry), Family Crisis Center, and Teton Valley Food Bank.

Idaho Falls Public Library (457 Broadway) open Mon-Thurs 10:00am to 9:00pm and Fri & Sat 10:00am to 6:00pm - <http://www.ifpl.org/> **Children** - <http://ifplchildren.blogspot.com/> (story time, & much more)

Pigeon problems on your building? If you need someone to help you we suggest that you contact A1 Pest Control, Rob 208-589-8809. He is very helpful and knowledgeable about how to deal with them in the downtown area.

Are you looking for a space to put your office or new business? Go to our [downtown website](http://downtownidahofalls.com/for-rent-lease/) <http://downtownidahofalls.com/for-rent-lease/> We probably have just what you are looking for downtown!

The Eastern Idaho Visitor Information Center (425 N Capital) has three agencies to serve you: US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the Greater Idaho Falls Chamber of Commerce. Not only do we have brochures and information on lots to do in Eastern Idaho and surrounding areas, but also one of the largest collections of BLM, forest and topo maps in the state, and a variety of locally produced products, souvenirs, and field guides. The Visitor Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 5:00pm. For more information, stop by or call 523-1010. http://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5411295.pdf

2016 City of Idaho Falls Curb & Gutter Replacement Program - For forms - <http://www.idahofallsidaho.gov/city/city-departments/public-works/engineering/curb-gutter-replacement.html>

Event posters – When you are having a special event in your Downtown business and have a poster, please bring it to our office and we will display it in the kiosk bulletin board on the greenbelt. (425 N Capital Ave.)

Report Graffiti as soon as possible when you see it anywhere downtown to the community projects coordinator and public information officer, Joelyn Hansen, at 612-8655. They make every effort to have it removed within 48 hours of being reported. If graffiti has affected your property **always** file a police report online at <http://www.idahofallspolice.com/services/report-a-crime/>

Recycling – There is large city recycling bin in the parking lot at the corner of 'B' Street and Yellowstone for CARD BOARD only. Please smash all your boxes flat and recycle them into this bin. Newspaper & phone books, aluminum cans, plastic and tin cans can be recycled in the Post Office parking lot (on Capital Ave. – South East corner) drop-off bin. If we all do a little, it helps a lot!

If you have an announcement that pertains to the Downtown that you would like to have included in this newsletter please send it to me by noon on any Tuesday. These newsletter emails go out every Wednesday morning. mala@downtownidahofalls.com

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<http://downtownidahofalls.com/>