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NEWSLETTER

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Next Board Meeting

2nd Thursday of each
month: 12:30 PM at the
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Web: www.mccinhope.com

Mail a check payable to:

MCC, PO Box 405
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SAVE THE DATES

SPOOKTACULAR PARTY!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OCT 31ST..



Saturday, October 31

5:00-7:30

Costume and Dance Party

First Annual Halloween Extravaganza!

Join us in this FUN-SPOOKTACULAR event.

- Adult Costume Contest
- Child Costume "Show-Off" with prizes
- Trick or Treating
- Dress up your dog! (*Must stay on leash at all times*)
- Energetic playlist with various music genres
- Photo Backdrop



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Free Music Evening!



Stay tuned for more details!

Friday, December 11

6:30-7:30

Christmas Concert

Free Event. Wine and beer will be sold.

NEWS



Lori Finnerty

October at MCC: Hello Fall!

Fall has arrived—the sun is setting earlier, the lake is lowering, and the trees are showing off their colors.

Oktoberfest was a wonderful farewell to summer events. Thank you to our hosts, Tim Jacoby, LeyAnne Merica, and Laura Funk, and to all the volunteers who made the evening a success. Proceeds support the MCC Center and Preschool, so every brat, beverage, laugh, and dance step helped MCC!

Preschool Is Off to a Grand Start!

The preschool is in full swing, and Miss Mona and Miss Kimberli have a full class of 12 enthusiastic little learners. There are plenty of wiggles, giggles, questions, discoveries—and, I'm sure, a few very tired teachers at the end of the day!

We're also updating the playground with a swing set, climbing structure, sandbox, and new toys—perfect for play, exploration, and burning off some energy!

Mark Your Calendar!

Join us on October 31st for a Spooktacular Halloween Party! Costumes are encouraged—because when else can you come to the community center dressed as someone or something completely different?

We hope to see plenty of ghosts, goblins, witches, and superheroes!

Caring for Our MCC Home

Many thanks to Trecy Carpenter and Dawn Brinker for their continued care and love for the MCC Center. Along with a few wonderful volunteers, they have re-engineered the drainage to move water away from the building and lovingly donated improvements to our gutter system.

It's not always the glamorous work that gets noticed, but these behind-the-scenes projects are exactly what help keep our 40-year-old building healthy and standing strong. We are incredibly grateful for the time, talent, and generosity that goes into caring for our home.

A Very Big Thank You

And finally, an immeasurable amount of gratitude goes out to all of you who continually support MCC through your online donations. Our intention is ALWAYS to get you a Thank you note and our tax ID for tax purposes. If we missed you somehow please know it was not intentional and we are TRULY grateful. Thank you for your donations.

Those gifts may happen quietly and often go unseen, but please know they make a tremendous difference. They help keep the lights on, the doors open, the preschool running, and this community space available for everyone.

We truly couldn't do it without you

Come Play! Stop by MCC and try out our new pickleball net. Bring a paddle, invite a friend, and enjoy the fall weather!

Thank you for making MCC a place where our community gathers, grows, plays, learns—and occasionally gets a little silly.

Happy Fall!

With gratitude,

Lori Finnerty

Chair, Memorial Community Center

EVENTS A LOOK BACK AT SEPTEMBER

Oktoberfest 2026 a Huge Success!

Thank you to hosts Ley Anne Merica, Tim Jacoby, and Laura Funk

Another delightfully warm and sunny autumn afternoon for this years Oktoberfest event. Great food, and great music from the local band, *Ian Newbill and Hogwire*. It doesn't get much better than that.

To all of our returning friends from Clark Fork, Hope, Sandpoint, and beyond—thank you for continuing to show up and support us. And thank you to all the new faces who joined us this year to enjoy the fun and to support MCC.

A heartfelt thanks to our many volunteers who helped make it happen.



Donators & Supporters

Bob Hess & family – Brats
 Terese & Mike Stevens (Icehouse Pizzeria) –
 Sauerkraut, Bacon, Potato Salad
 Van Stone Family – Hay and Corn Stalks
 Joyce & Trish Butler & Ellie Lizotte - Flowers
 Holiday Shores / Clark Fork Chevron – Ice
 Pend Oreille Shores – Coffee, S'mores, games,
 Raffles
 Sweet Lou's – Beans & Buns (Chad Foust)
 Beer Kegs
*Thank you to Lauren Ryan, Teresa Stevens and
 Nate Murrey who reached out and secured
 the beer keg donations from local breweries.*
 MickDuff's - Sandpoint
 New Hokkaido - Ponderay
 Timber Town – Priest River



Thank you to our Volunteers

This year MCC welcomed many new helping hands alongside our longtime dedicated volunteers. We could not have done the event without each and every one of you.

Bella and Amanda Ponce	Nicole Murray
John and Jennie Johnson	Nate Murray
Trish Butler	Nancy Trattner
Launa Elder	Vivian Sadler
Ellie Lizotte	Nick Troskey
Lori Sanders	Mary Donovan
Tim Sanders	Janice Goff
Tim Jacoby	Eleanor Durham
Ley Anne Merica	Lori & Shawn Finnerty
Mary Blakslee	Julie Breuer
Steve & Laura Funk	Ralph & Carleen Redd
Teri Ruen	
Lauren Ryan	



Thank you to Sam Owen Fire Department for lending your chairs and tables.
 We also thank and appreciate everyone who helped with the clean-up.

PRESCHOOL



For the month of October the preschoolers will be learning about farm life and will be going on a field trip to the Mt. Cloud dairy farm.

We will also be learning about our forest animal friends ...



ROAR!

...and a unit on dinosaurs!

CLASS TIMES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs
9:00am to 1:00pm
September thru June

REQUIREMENTS

Your child must be 3 years old
and fully potty trained.

APPLICATIONS & INFO

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GROUPS & CLASSES

Our weekly programs continue to thrive. Art classes, exercise sessions, gardeners, and our quilting group remain well attended.

If you would like to meet at MCC weekly or monthly let us know. We charge a nominal \$10 hourly rental fee.

Contact MCC for details: 208-264-5481

Calendar

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:
Mondays 7 - 8 pm

ART CLASSES:
Tuesdays 1 - 3 pm

HOPE SENIOR FITNESS:
Tuesday & Friday 10 - 11 am

CLARK FORK VALLEY QUILTERS:
1st and 3rd Thursdays
9 am to 2 pm

THE GARDENERS GATHERING:
2nd and 4th Sat 10 - 11 am

	M	T	W	Th	F	Sat	Sun
Week 1	AA 7-8	SENIOR FITNESS 10-11 WOTR 11:15-12:15 ART 1-3 Watercolor		QUILTERS 9-2	SENIOR FITNESS 10-11		Private Group 9-12
Week 2	AA 7-8	SENIOR FITNESS 10-11 ART 1-3 Acrylic		MCC BOARD 12:30-2:30	SENIOR FITNESS 10-11 Private Group 4-6	GARDENERS 10-11	Private Group 9-12
Week 3	AA 7-8	SENIOR FITNESS 10-11 WOTR 11:15-12:15 ART 1-3 Acrylic		QUILTERS 9-2	SENIOR FITNESS 10-11		Private Group 9-12
Week 4	AA 7-8	SENIOR FITNESS 10-11 ART 1-3 Acrylic			SENIOR FITNESS 10-11 Private Group 4-6	GARDENERS 10-11 Sat. Oct 31 Halloween Party	Private Group 9-12



ART CLASSES

1:00 to 3:00

**Watercolor
Tuesday Oct 6**



Student Watercolor from class

**Acrylic
Tuesday Oct 13
Starting Soon
Drawing on Mondays**

JOIN THE ART CONTACT LIST
TEXT 208-265-9488

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for the flowers and flags celebrating
America's 250th and the festive flower
pots that grace the front of the
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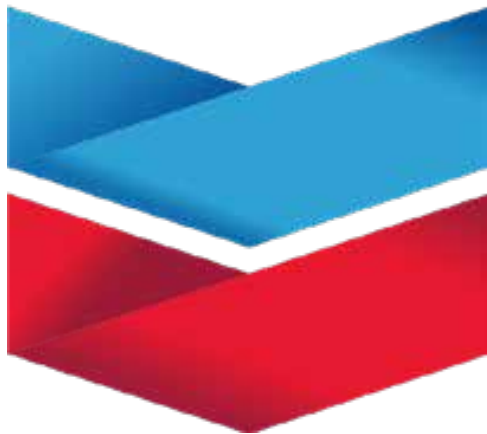
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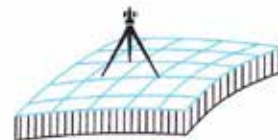
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