

VISIT SANDPOINT Idaho

January 8th-17th, 2010



This Week in Sandpoint



Friday, January 8th

- 5-7:00 p.m. **Winery Music with Bridges Home**
Pend d'Oreille Winery 208-265-8545
Pend d'Oreille Winery hosts live music featuring Bridges Home, a folk and Celtic duo with Dave and Tami Gunter. Arrive early for best seats.
- 5:30-7:00 p.m. **Starlight Junior Race Series** 208-263-9555
Schweitzer Mountain Resort
Jan. 8-29
Schweitzer hosts this local race series every Friday night in January. Schweitzer.com

Saturday, January 9th

- 1:00 p.m. **Film Appreciation Series** 208-263-6930
Sandpoint Library
The film *Howards End* will be played followed by a one hour group discussion. Refreshments will be served and anyone is welcome, however parental discretion is advised for PG-13 and R rated films. The Film Appreciation Series will run through Feb. 6.

Sunday, January 10th

- 12- 3:00 p.m. **Pottery Painting at Schweitzer** 208-265-8212
Schweitzer Mountain Resort
Jan 10 & 17
Pottery In Motion returns to Schweitzer for their 4th season. Join them every Sunday in the village next to Pucci's Pub. Pottery In Motion will offer a variety of fun projects to paint and a warm place to hang out.

Tuesday, January 12th

- 7:00 p.m. **Trivia Tuesday** 208-255-4351
MickDuff's

Wednesday, January 13th

- 5-8:00 p.m. **KPND Ski & Board Party** 208-263-2265
Coldwater Creek Wine Bar
Staging a day before the "official" Winter Carnival starts, the KPND Ski & Board Party is sponsored by Laughing Dog Brewing with its great beer on tap, and of course the wine bar's panoply of fine wines. Hosts Jonny Knight and Mike Deprez will lead the fun and give away a \$1000 worth of prizes. For admission, bring a donation for the Bonner Community Food Center.

Thursday, January 14th

2010 Winter Carnival—Jan. 14th-18th

Various Locations within Greater Sandpoint area

This five-day extravaganza is jam-packed with great events, including the Taste of Sandpoint, family fun at Bonner Mall, Shop Around Sandpoint, the Winter ArtTrek in downtown Sandpoint, a bonfire and hugely popular Rail Jam at Jeff Jones Town Square, restaurant specials with Dine Around Sandpoint, Schweitzer's Torchlight Parade and fireworks display, the highly entertaining K-9 Keg Pull, and so much more! SandpointWinterCarnival.com

- 5-8:00 p.m. **Taste of Sandpoint** 208-263-2161
Sandpoint Events Center
The original Taste of Sandpoint presented by Dine Around Sandpoint kicks off the 2010 Winter Carnival. Taste Sandpoint's finest culinary dishes, wines and brews in the Sandpoint Events Center, 102 S. Euclid Ave. Admission is free, and tickets are \$1 each with samplings ranging from \$3 to \$7.



January 14th-18th

Shop Around Sandpoint

Sometimes it pays to go shopping! Visit participating retail shops in downtown Sandpoint during Winter Carnival to pick up a "Passport to Prizes" - collect just five stamps on the passport and turn it in for a chance to win terrific prizes, including a grand prize of two season passes to the 2010 Festival at Sandpoint, a night at LaQuinta, books and gifts from local retailers, and more.

Friday, January 15th

- 5-7:00 p.m. **Winter Art Trek** 208-255-1876
Downtown Sandpoint galleries & shops
View original artworks by a plethora of fine local and regional artists. Enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres and drinks. Artists will be on hand to quiz and converse. Self-guided maps available at locations all around town.
- 5-8:00 p.m. **Ski & Snowboard Films**
Taylor-Parker Chevrolet 208-265-8545
During the Winter Art Trek and thereafter, warm up at Taylor-Parker Chevrolet and watch short action ski & board films.

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Friday, January 15th *continued*

- 5-7:30 p.m. **Winery Music and Bio-Luminesce Firedancers**
Pend d'Oreille Winery 208-265-8545
The Pend d'Oreille Winery hosts live music from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. featuring the funky jazz of Hip Gravy; then from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., enjoy the Bio-Luminesce pyrotechnical dance with live flames in the winery's parking lot as part of the Winter Carnival festivities. Live music resumes from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. **Our Town: People of the Panhandle Art Exhibit Reception**
Power House 208-263-6139
Pend Oreille Arts Council hosts a reception for the *Our Town: People of the Panhandle* art exhibit. This exhibit features outstanding works from some of the region's finest artists and depict the inhabitants and places that define the culture of life in North Idaho. The reception is free and open to the public; appetizers and wine will be served. ArtinSandpoint.com
- 6-9:00 p.m. **Rail Jam and Bonfire**
Jeff Jones Town Square 208-255-1876
One of the biggest events of Winter Carnival, the rail jam is a freestyle contest where skiers and snowboarders put up their best acrobatic moves while sliding on handrails and other man-made features. Riders will compete for cash, and spectators can keep warm and catch the excitement by the bonfire.
- 8:00 p.m. **Red Tape**
Panida Theater 208-263-9191
Jan. 15-16, 22-23
The Panida Theater hosts the play *Red Tape*, directed by Deborah McShane, based on the art of local artist Stephen Shultz. The play begins at 8 p.m. each night and is the second production of Art as Theatre. Tickets are \$12 adults, \$10 seniors and students.



January 15th-February 16th Dine Around Sandpoint

From the Sandpoint Winter Carnival to the Sandpoint Mardi Gras, restaurants from the Greater Sandpoint area offer special menu selections at low prices. Every time you dine out for dinner at a participating restaurant, you'll be eligible to win some terrific prizes, including a dinner for two once a month. Find a list of participating restaurants and their specials at DineAroundSandpoint.com.

Saturday, January 16th

- 9:30 a.m.-
1:30 p.m. **Family Fun Day & Coffee Tasting**
Evans Brothers Coffee Roasters 208-265-5553
Savor hand-crafted coffees along with great food, live music by Justin Landis and indoor/outdoor activities for kids of all ages, including snow slides, snowman photos, cookie decorating, a magic show at 11 a.m., and more. Donations for 24 Hours for Hank supporting research for Cystinosis research will be accepted. The festivities will be at their roasting studio in Sandpoint at 524 Church Street.
- 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. **Candy-O-Rama**
Bonner Mall 208-263-4272
Satisfy your sweet tooth and help judge the best homemade fudge and candy. The event is part of Winter Carnival and proceeds go to the Sandpoint Chapter of Wishing Star to make wishes for kids with life-threatening illnesses.
- 1-3:00 p.m. **Winter Carnival Chili Cookoff**
Bonner Mall 208-263-4272
After scrumptious candy and fudge, warm up with the Chili Cookoff. Tasters get to judge and choose the People's Choice winner.
- Dusk **Schweitzer Torchlight Parade & Fireworks**
Schweitzer Mt. Resort 208-263-9555
Winter Carnival's signature event lights up the nights with its annual torchlight parade and fireworks. The parade starts with snowcats grooming down the J.R. run above the village, followed by a constellation of skier-powered torchlights weaving fire trails down the mountain. It ends with a bang with a grand fireworks show over the village and mountain.
- 8:00 p.m. **Music on the Mountain**
Schweitzer Mountain Resort 208-263-9555
Taps Bar at Schweitzer Mountain Resort hosts a concert with the Ian McFeron Band.

Sunday, January 17th

- 10 a.m. **K-9 Keg Pull**
Eichardt's Pub 208-263-4005
Watch as dogs sprint to the finish line down a snow-packed course pulling appropriately sized "kegs". Dogs race against the clock while their owners urge them on and spectators cheer. All proceeds from entry fees support the local animal shelter.

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