



❖ DECEMBER 2011

## HOLIDAY LIGHTS SPARKLE IN IDAHO

1. Coeur d'Alene Resort Holiday Light Show, Coeur d'Alene -- America's largest floating holiday light show extravaganza features more than one million lights and 150 holiday displays. The World's Tallest Living Christmas Tree, at 161 ft., highlights this year's display. Cruise boats offer a close-up view of animated light displays and holiday scenes along Lake Coeur d'Alene. Learn more at [www.coeurdalene.org](http://www.coeurdalene.org) or [www.cdaresort.com](http://www.cdaresort.com).

2. Winter Garden aGlow, Boise -- Winter Garden aGlow at the Idaho Botanical Garden is a favorite family holiday tradition. See a dazzling display of over 250,000 lights artfully arranged throughout the garden and enjoy hot refreshments, holiday music, and the warmth of roaring bonfires. [Learn more.](#)

3. Festival of Lights, Preston -- This winter festival offers a lovely display of Christmas lights in Eastern Idaho. Stroll down brightly lit Main Street and visit the light village in City Park and the nearby homes decorated for the holidays. Call 208-852-2403 for more information.

4. Winter Spirit, Lewiston -- Locomotive Park comes to life with lights, music and the sound of laughter - turning it into a winter wonderland. Walkways are decorated with lighted arches and the large gas fireplace is the perfect place to warm chilly fingers or toes. [Learn more.](#)

5. Winter Wonderland, Caldwell -- Downtown Caldwell's Indian Creek is illuminated with 250,000 lights. Bridges that span the creek, railings, lamp posts, trees and numerous character displays are covered with twinkling lights. This signature event brings families and visitors from all over to enjoy the beauty and celebrate the holidays. [Learn more.](#)

## IDAHO WINTER SWEEPSTAKES

[Idaho Tourism](#) and [Ski Idaho](#) want to give everyone a chance to experience the soul of skiing. Visit [www.idahowinter.org](http://www.idahowinter.org) to enter to win Idaho winter getaways. New offers are available every Friday through early March and you can enter online through email, Facebook and Twitter. December's prizes include lodging/lift tickets at [Grand Targhee Resort](#); a winter snowsports pack from [Lucky Bums](#); lodging/lift tickets at [Silver Mountain](#); a \$200 gift voucher at [Core Concepts](#); and a Sandpoint Winter Carnival package. See [www.idahowinter.org](http://www.idahowinter.org) for complete offer information and to register today.

## SUN VALLEY'S KNOB HILL INN WELCOMES GUESTS AGAIN



The [Knob Hill Inn](#) will reopen December 15 following a \$750,000 renovation that juxtaposes

modern design elements with traditional Alpine chalet architecture, giving the inn a sophisticated and comfortable feel. Highlights of the renovation include the addition of comfy chairs and ottomans and a double-sided fireplace constructed of Boulder Mountain flagstone, many of which were sourced from the neighboring town of Hailey. Guestrooms have been completely upgraded and feature rich colors, frameless glass showers, new nickel fixtures and amenities such as Keurig coffeemakers and iHome Clock Radio and iPod docks.

Situated in the heart of [Sun Valley](#), Knob Hill Inn pairs European alpine charm and distinctive service with unparalleled views of world-famous Bald Mountain and the majestic Sawtooth and Boulder Mountain ranges. Within walking distance of downtown Ketchum, it offers instant access to outdoor recreation, including skiing, snowshoeing and ice skating and in the warmer months, fishing, golf, hiking, biking and more.

## PLAN AHEAD: JANUARY IS LEARN A SNOWSPORT MONTH

Thinking of an Idaho winter getaway? Whether you're new to snow sports, want your kids to experience the fun, or just need a refresher, Idaho has you covered with special [discounts and offers from ski areas around the state](#) during the month of January. Skiing, snowboarding, Nordic skiing, snowshoeing...there are lots of ways to enjoy winter! "Humans Were Never Meant to Hibernate" is the theme for this national effort to get children and adults outside this winter for fun and exercise on the snow. Idaho's ski resorts offer lessons and rentals making learning easy and fun! Visit [www.skiandsnowboardmonth.org](http://www.skiandsnowboardmonth.org) or [www.visitidaho.org/winter](http://www.visitidaho.org/winter) to learn more about Idaho's winter offerings.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Lights in the Garden

Thursday - Saturday thru December 22, 2011  
Ketchum, Idaho

### Christmas in the City

Through December 25, 2011  
Downtown Boise

### Holiday Open House

December 3, 2011  
Moscow, Idaho

### Oakly Valley Arts Council Christmas Concert

December 3, 2011  
Oakley, Idaho

### Art Walk

December 3, 2011  
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

### Christmas Beyond Borders Craft Show

December 9-10, 2011  
Pocatello, Idaho

### Ashton Spirit of Christmas Celebration

December 10, 2011  
Ashton, ID

### Christmas at the Cathedral - A Celtic Christmas

December 10 & 11, 2011  
Boise, Idaho

### Rotary Christmas Concert

December 11, 2011  
Preston, Idaho  
208-852-2403

### The Eugene Ballet in 'The Nutcracker'

December 12, 2011  
Twin Falls, Idaho

### It's a Wonderful Life: a Live Radio Play

December 13 - 30, 2011  
Sun Valley & Hailey, Idaho

### A Concert of Christmas Classics

December 15, 2011  
Preston, Idaho

### Southern Idaho Winter Series Rodeo

December 16-17, 2011  
Twin Falls, Idaho

### Famous Idaho Potato Bowl Game

December 17, 2011  
Boise, Idaho

### Audubon's Christmas Bird Count

December 17, 2011  
Sandpoint, Idaho

### Messiah Sing Along

December 22, 2011  
Preston, Idaho

### New Year's Party at Silver Mountain

December 31, 2011  
Kellogg, Idaho

### New Year's Eve Bash Bulls and Broncs

December 31, 2011  
Caldwell, Idaho

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