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TEAMING UP FOR EDUCATION

"WHAT'S HAPPENING IN APRIL"

April has been declared Financial Literacy Month in Idaho by Governor C. L. "Butch"
Otter.

Upcoming events during the Month include:

April 21-25: Kootenai County Financial Literacy Task Force sponsors "Financial Literacy Week." During this week, the Department of Finance will make presentations to various Kootenai County high schools information on credit card use and credit scoring.

April 22: DOF will be speaking at Minico High School regarding the wise use of credit cards.

April 22: Idaho Financial Literacy Coalition member National Financial Education Center (NFEC) at Debt Reduction Services (DRS) is presenting the FREE class *Personal and Household Budgeting* from 5:00-6:00 pm at their office at 1213 N. Cloverdale Rd. in Boise. All are welcome! For more information call 378-0200 ext 706.

April 23: Gavin Gee will be the keynote speaker at a luncheon for community and business leaders sponsored by the Kootenai County Financial Literacy Task Force in Coeur d'Alene. Mr. Gee will also be speaking on financial literacy at the annual meeting of the North Idaho Chapter of the Idaho Credit Union League in Post Falls, Idaho.

April 24: NFEC is presenting *Personal and Household Budgeting* to the Baby Steps program at St. Michaels in Boise.

April 25: DOF Consumer Affairs Officer Jo Ann Lanham will speak at a brown bag lunch at the Coeur d'Alene Library from 12:00-1:00 on the topic of "Credit and Credit Scoring".

April 25 & 28: NFEC is presenting *Using Credit Wisely* on April 25th and *Developing Effective Spending Behaviors* on April 28th at Easter Seals/Goodwill in Nampa.

April 29: Idaho Financial Literacy Coalition member Zions Bank will send volunteers to schools throughout Idaho as part of Teach Children to Save Day.

April 29: Idaho Financial Literacy Coalition member Syringa Bank (Eagle Promenade Branch) is also participating in Teach Children to Save Day.

April 29: NFEC is presenting the class *Preventing Debt* to 6th grade students at Middleton Middle School, and the FREE class *Using Credit Wisely* from 5:00-6:00 pm at their office at 1213 N. Cloverdale Rd. in Boise. All are welcome to attend the FREE class! For more information call 378-0200 ext 706.

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Also during April, Community 1st Bank of Post Falls has teamed up with the Idaho Housing and Finance Association and United Way of Treasure Valley to support Idaho Individual Development Accounts (IDA) as a way to provide incentive for low to middle income individuals to initiate a savings program. For more information contact IHFA at 1-866-621-2994 toll free or at www.ihfa.org."

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