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## **Divas for a Difference: Upcoming air show and garden party will support two nonprofits**

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### IDAHO METH PROJECT - THUNDER OVER NAMPA AIR SHOW

Looking for a family-friendly way to celebrate Father's Day and help out the community? The Thunder Over Nampa Air Show is the place to be.

On Saturday and Sunday, you can see one of the best air shows in the region and help the Idaho Meth Project.

Idaho Meth Project's objective is to use advertising and community action to obliterate the use of methamphetamine in our state. It is based on effective programs that were used in other states, which since have seen a significant reduction in meth use.

With everyone working together, we can help stop the use of this drug and create a brighter future for all Idahoans.

The air show will feature an amazing collection of planes, skydiving shows and displays where you can sit in the cockpit of some of your favorite air vehicles.

Make your way to the Nampa Municipal Airport, 116 Municipal Drive, to join in the fun from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, with flying beginning at noon. There is no cost for the event, but there is a suggested donation of \$5 at the gate.

For more information, visit [www.idahomethproject.org](http://www.idahomethproject.org).

### IDAHO BOTANICAL GARDEN - SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

The costumes are hot, the martinis cold, and the jazz is smokin!

As the heat of the summer gets into full swing (soon, soon!), there will be no cooler place to be on Friday, June 20, than at the Idaho Botanical Garden's Summer Garden Party.

Continuing with its annual 1920s theme, attendees step back in fine style to the era of hot speakeasies and cool elegance. Flapper outfits, zoot suits, spats and white linen will fill the gardens while the big band sound of Boise Straight Ahead fills the air. (If the 1920s are not your thing, you can still enjoy the ambiance of the event dressed in summer garden attire.)

There is something for everyone at this elegant and stylish event. Attendees can try their skill with dance moves such as the Charleston, the shimmy and the foxtrot.

Playing croquet on the manicured lawn is another option, as is viewing the vintage cars on display.

Not to be missed is the chance to stroll around the dozen themed gardens including a native plant garden, a rose garden and an English garden. A summer buffet dinner and silent and live auctions add to the revelry of the evening.

As darkness falls, attendees can head to the Meditation Garden for the After Hours Jazz Club. There, under the starlit sky, they can enjoy a nightcap while listening to the smooth jazz of the Jon Bonine Quartet.

The evening is sponsored by The McAlvain Group of Companies. Proceeds from the event support the programs of the Idaho Botanical Garden and development of the Children's Adventure Garden.

The primary focus this year is to raise funds for the Children's Garden, according to Christopher Pooser, board vice-president.

This new garden will be a natural playground and outdoor exploration area complete with treehouses, a beach, a reading lawn, and mazes.

Tickets are \$125 per person or \$1,250 for a reserved table for 10. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the Idaho Botanical Garden at 343-8649 or visit [www.idahobotanicalgarden.org](http://www.idahobotanicalgarden.org).

#### OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

AJ's Angels - annual dinner and auction: Friday; [www.ajsangels.org](http://www.ajsangels.org).

ALS - Western Event Dinner and Auction: Saturday; [www.extrahands.org](http://www.extrahands.org).

Terry Reilly Health Services - Bob LeBow Bike Ride: Saturday; [www.trhs.org](http://www.trhs.org).

The First Tee of Idaho - Ultimate Ball Drop: Sunday; [www.thefirstteeidaho.org](http://www.thefirstteeidaho.org).

Epilepsy Foundation - Seventh annual D.L. Evans Bank Tournament: Wednesday; [www.epilepsyidaho.org](http://www.epilepsyidaho.org).

Canyon County Habitat for Humanity - Fourth annual Grapes and Cowboys Dinner: Thursday, June 19; [www.canyoncountyhfh.org](http://www.canyoncountyhfh.org).

Boise State Radio - dinner with Lynn Rosetta Kasper, host of "The Splendid Table": Friday, June 20; [www.radio.boisestate.edu](http://www.radio.boisestate.edu).

American Cancer Society - Relay for Life: Friday, June 20, through Saturday, June 21; <http://events.cancer.org/rfladacountyid> or call 340-2396.

Idaho Office for Refugees - World Refugee Day: Saturday, June 21; [www.idahorefugees.org](http://www.idahorefugees.org).

Idaho Humane Society - See Spot Shop: Saturday, June 21; [www.idahohumanesociety.org](http://www.idahohumanesociety.org).

Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides - Food and Farm Tour: Sunday, June 22;  
[www.pesticide.org](http://www.pesticide.org).

Idaho Shakespeare Festival - Fundraising Gala: Monday, July 14; [www.idahoshakespeare.org](http://www.idahoshakespeare.org).

Idaho Humane Society - Lawn Party: Thursday, July 17; [www.idahohumanesociety.org](http://www.idahohumanesociety.org).