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Downtown Spring & Summer Security

In addition to their regular daytime hours, Monday-Wednesday 8am-6pm and Thursday-Saturday 10am-8pm, the Spokane Police will have **officers on downtown bike patrol Thursday-Saturday from 8pm-3am**. These extended hours are thanks to the Downtown Business Improvement District's (BID) funding and partnership with the Spokane Police Department, and will continue through the end of September.



The **Downtown Spokane Security Ambassadors** also continue to make their rounds in the BID, **Monday-Saturday, 11:30am-9pm**. To contact the Security Ambassadors regarding security concerns or an employee or customer escort, call 509.353.9111. For more information on the BID Clean and Safe programs, visit DowntownSpokane.net.

Break Out the Spandex...And Register!

Bike to Work Week kicks off **Sunday, May 16** with an education fair at River Park Square from 11am to 4pm and a pancake breakfast the following morning at Riverfront Park, 7-9am.

So dust off your Schwinn, splurge on a new helmet and gear up for a week of cycling, health and fun! **To register for Bike to Work week or for more information, visit BiketoWorkSpokane.org.**



Take Note:

- The 72nd annual Spokane **Lilac Festival Armed Forces Torchlight Parade is this Saturday, May 15 at 7:45pm**. For parade routes and information, [click here](#). The River Park Square Parking Garage can be accessed from Lincoln St. at Main Ave.
- **The hours of operation have changed at the Parkade at 511 W. Main.** The Parkade is now open 6am-9pm Monday-Thursday, 6am-10pm Fridays, 8am-10pm Saturdays, and 11:30am-6:30pm on Sundays. For more information call 509.747.7021.
- **Congratulations to Downtown Spokane's own Dan Hall**, Operations Coordinator and Security Ambassador, **for winning the CTA Star award at last night's Tourism Awards!** For a list of nominees and winners, check

out VisitSpokane.com.

Special Offers Welcome Visitors

Visiting a city is the perfect opportunity to find new dining and retail hot spots and Spokane's convention visitors are no exception! Now is your chance to get your business in front of hundreds of thousands of visitors coming to Spokane in 2010 and 2011, with an offer in the Convention Visitors Coupon book.



The Spokane Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau and Downtown Business Improvement District partner to offer this opportunity to members of their organization in the downtown area, at no cost to you! **Simply e-mail your special offer or discount to lsangster@downtownspokane.net by Wednesday, May 26th - its FREE advertising!**

To submit an offer or for more information, contact Leanne at 509.456.0580 or LSangster@downtownspokane.net.

Open Invitation to the Usually Closed

Buildings that aren't normally open to the public had their doors propped open one weekend in April, during the Doors Open Denver event.

The two-day event, becoming common in cities throughout the world, encourages people to explore buildings not normally open to the public and provides the opportunity to learn about the city's history and architecture. [Click here to read the full article.](#)

Should Spokane consider doing an event like this and would you want to showcase your building? [Click here to answer our poll and view the results.](#)

Mark Your Calendars!

Don't miss out on these upcoming events:

- The Windermere Marathon begins at 7am on **Saturday, May 15** in Post Falls, ID and ends in Downtown Spokane.
- Lilac Festival Torchlight Parade **Saturday, May 15 at 7:45pm.**
- Bike to Work week, **May 16-22.**

Don't hesitate to call us for more information at 509-456-0580.

We are happy to help!

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