

# Chocolate Walk to take another stroll

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**COEUR d'ALENE** — Love is in the air — that is, love for chocolate.

More than 20 downtown merchants will participate in the second Chocolate Walk from 5-8 p.m. Friday, a pre-Valentine's Day event that was so successful last year, the Coeur d'Alene Downtown Association decided to do it again.

"It's good for downtown," said Terry Cooper, association manager.

Participants will have red and white balloons outside their establishment. Marilyn Cooper, the owner of Simple Pleasures, 221 Sherman, is excited to be involved again.

"We're going to have a wonderful chocolate fountain here in the store," Cooper said.

She said the event will get folks in the mood for Valentine's Day. Cooper has stocked her store with Valentine's Day items, even girlfriend bracelets for the ladies to give to each other.

Barrel Room 6, the wine bar at 503 Sherman Ave., will have its chocolatier, Julia Myracle of "Chocolate Myracles," in person, with samples of her chocolate solids and ganaches.

"She trained in Canada and is a master chocolatier," said Janelle McCabe of Barrel Room 6.

Myracle will be at the wine bar from 5-8 p.m., then Dan Purser, who McCabe described as an "upbeat young hipster" from Seattle will perform live music until midnight.



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Red and white balloons will be an invitation for participants to take part in Friday's second annual Chocolate Walk.

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