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April's Important Dates and Meetings

- **CITY COUNCIL:** Monday, April 2 and 16; 5:30 p.m.
- **PLANNING & ZONING:** Tuesday, April 10 and 24; 7 p.m.
- **UTILITIES MEETING:** Tuesday, April 3; 6 p.m.; City Hall
- **PARK BOARD:** Thursday, April 19; 6 p.m.
- **WAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** Tuesday, April 10; 6:30 p.m.; Library
- **LEGISLATIVE COFFEE:** Saturday, April 7; 9 a.m. Council Chambers

March 2012 Maple Street Community Center Activities

- **EXERCISE** will take place from 9:00–9:30 a.m. every day except for the following: Friday, April 6
- **CONGREGATE** meals are served every Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m.
- **SENIOR POT LUCK** is Friday, April 6 at 12 noon with Program/Business meeting following
- **WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO** will take place on Wednesday, April 18 at 1 p.m.
- **TRIAD** will take place on Wednesday, April 25 at 12 noon
- Any **QUESTIONS** please call 987-8390

CHARACTER BUILDING ACADEMY

The Waukeee Police Department invites young men and women, ages 12-16, to register for this 10-day opportunity to learn about the power of teamwork, the importance of respect for self and others, and building confidence. Class sizes are limited so register your cadet as soon as possible.

Cost: \$85 per cadet (cash or check only) which includes pants, t-shirt and hat

Dates: Men: June 4-June 15 (5 hrs/day, no weekends)

Women: June 18-June 29 (5 hrs/day, no weekends)

Location: Waukeee Police Department
1300 SE LA Grant Parkway

Registration forms: www.waukeee.org/citypolice.html or at the Waukeee Police Department, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, Juvenile Court Services, or Dallas Center Police Department

FRIENDS OF THE WAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK AND BAKE SALE

Food for the mind and the body! The Friends semi-annual book and bake sale will be held on Saturday, April 14th, 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM in the meeting room of your Waukeee Public Library.

Interested in joining the Friends? Membership is only \$7.00 for seniors and full-time students or \$15.00 per household. Book Sale and membership profits are used to buy books and support summer reading programs at your Waukeee Public Library.

Tax-deductible book sale donations may be dropped off at your Waukeee Public Library during regular open hours. Please, no textbooks or encyclopedias.

CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE

The annual City Wide Garage Sale will take place on Saturday, May 5th. You may call the Dallas County News (993-4233) to have your garage sale put on a map along with all of the other garage sales within the community.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Citizens are invited to bring their household hazardous waste to the Waukeee Middle School parking lot, 905 Warrior Lane, on May 12th from 8:00 AM to Noon. The following items will and will not be accepted:

Accepted Material: aerosol cleaners, caulk, metal polishes, pesticides, roofing tar, stain & varnish, weed killer, wallpaper remover, contact cement & resin, drain & oven cleaners, gasoline & kerosene, oil-based & lead-based paint, paint remover & thinner, rat, mouse, & gopher poison, rechargeable batteries, windshield washer solution.

Non-Accepted Materials: ammunition, asbestos, explosives, fire extinguisher, used oil filters, latex paint, motor oil, lead acid batteries, needles, radioactive material, compressed gas cylinders.

TIRE COLLECTION

On Saturday, May 12th from 8am – Noon, Waukeee citizens and rural Dallas County residents are welcome to bring old tires to the Old Waukeee Public Works building at 1205 6th Street. Keep in mind that rims WILL NOT be accepted at this collection.



CITY WIDE CLEAN UP

The annual City Wide Spring Clean Up will take place on Saturday, May 12th. Please have your items on the curb by 7:00 AM. The following items are NOT accepted: tires, hazardous materials, batteries, concrete, asphalt, bricks, anything over 6 feet long.

YARD WASTE PICK-UP

Yard waste pick-up will begin on Monday, April 2nd and run through Monday, November 26th. Please remember to have your materials in yard waste bags or clearly marked cans. DO NOT use your garbage or recycling bins for yard waste material. Branches cannot be more than 4 feet long and they must be bundled.

SMOKE OR CO ALARM CHIRPING?

Its 3 a.m. and the alarms are chirping once again in the house. You have replaced the batteries but still have not had a decent night's sleep from the ever vigilant "chirp" in the hall. Could the alarm be expired? How do you know when you should replace a carbon monoxide or smoke alarm? That's a common question fielded by the Waukeee Fire Department and of importance to business and homeowners alike. Beginning in March 2007 the Underwriters Laboratory issued a standard for carbon monoxide (CO) alarms. It required that all CO alarms have an audible "end of life" warning. This warning would alert you that the unit has reached its expiration and should be replaced. Some of the manufactures voluntarily included this in their products since 2001.

It is important for people to be able to recognize and understand the different alert sounds generated by smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. Kidde-brand for example will begin "chirping" every 30 seconds when reaching its end of life. This chirp will not cease with the simple replacement of batteries. The internet is a fantastic resource to find specific information about the product in your home. If you are ever unsure about the expiration date of the devices it is always best to replace it with an alarm that you know meets the newest standards. As always if your alarms do go off and you are not sure what is going on call 911.

WAUKEE FIRE DEPARTMENT: COMMUNITY OUTREACH THAT CHANGES LIVES

The Waukeee Fire Department, located at 1300 LA Grant Parkway, plays many roles throughout the community. Under the leadership of Fire Chief Clint Robinson, a 21-year veteran of the department, the Waukeee Fire Department and Waukeee Firefighter's Association conduct several community outreach events including station tours, daycare visits, pancake breakfasts and food drives.

Occasionally, a community outreach event does more than offer fire safety education and life-saving tips. During a recent routine fire station tour, EMTs (Emergency Medical Technicians) offered a practice EKG to a young tour participant in order to demonstrate the equipment. The EKG picked up an irregular heart rhythm that concerned the EMT conducting the test. The child's parent, who was also on the tour, gave permission to the EMT to conduct a second, more extensive test, which confirmed the original test results. Due to the nature of the irregularity, it was recommended to the parent that the child be taken immediately to the emergency room. The child had no signs or symptoms of distress, but the EKG offered as a fun part of the fire station tour may have been a life changing for the family. Additionally, the EKG demonstration was a good training moment for the Waukeee Paramedics; sometimes potentially life threatening conditions are subtle and performing routine tests accurately may save a life.

Fire station tours are offered to the public and can be scheduled by appointment by calling the Waukeee Fire Department at 515-987-4712.

WAUKEE PARKS & RECREATION SPRING & SUMMER PROGRAM REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Check out our programs and events online at www.waukeee.org. If you have any questions about our programs you can call the Parks and Recreation Department at 978-0007. You can also register online at www.waukeee.org under the "play" tab.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Waukeee Parks and Recreation will be sponsoring the Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Centennial Park. The event will be held Saturday, April 7th at 10:00 AM rain or shine. There will be three age groups: 4 years and under, 5-7, and 8-10.

COMPUCILD COMPUTER CREATIONS FOR KIDS

Is your child interested in computers? What about robots? Let your child discover robotics and develop skills in science, technology, engineering, and math. Students will build LEGO® models featuring working motors and sensors, connect them to a computer, and use icon-based software to easily program the robot's behavior. Children will also be introduced to the parts of the computer and use special computer peripherals designed especially for young children. Min/ Max: 3/5

Fee: \$49

Location: Ridge Pointe Park Pavilion (655 SE Legacy Pointe Boulevard)

Dates: Session 1 (Age: 4-5) Thursdays, Apr. 5th – Apr. 26th Time: 5:30 – 6:15 PM

Session 2 (Age: 6-7) Thursdays, May 3rd – May 24th Time: 5:30 – 6:15 PM

MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Adult Men's Softball Leagues fill up fast, sign your team up today! We will be offering a Wednesday night league and can take up to 8 teams. Each season will include a 7-game schedule with the first season starting April 18. There will be a total of 3 separate seasons throughout the spring and summer of 2012. Contact the Waukeee

Parks and Recreation Department at 978-0007 for team packet and registration information. Register early because spots fill up fast!

WAUKEE BALL FIELD PRACTICE TIME

Any team wishing to reserve a ball field for practices may call in every other Monday morning starting March 26th at 8:00 AM. The phone calls will be taken in the order that they are received. Each team may schedule up to 1 hour of practice time a week. Ball field space is limited and teams are encouraged to share a field with other teams. Waukeee Parks & Recreation Department has 3 fields at Centennial Park and 4 fields at Warrior Park. Please keep in mind that our fields will be used for Girls Recreation Softball games on weeknights and weekends. Only weekday reservations will be taken and the weekends are first come - first serve. Reservations will only be accepted by phone; walk in reservations will not be accepted. Be prepared to be flexible with dates and times for practice.

To reserve a field, please contact the Waukeee Parks and Recreation Department at 978-0007.

Call-In Date

Monday, March 26

Monday, April 9

Monday, April 23

Monday, May 7

Monday, May 21

Reservation Weeks

April 2 – 6 & April 9 – 13

April 16 – 20 & April 23 – 27

April 30 – May 4 & May 7 – 11

May 14 – 18 & May 21 – 25

May 28 – June 1 & June 4 – 8



WAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT TORNADO SIREN TESTING AND SAFETY TIPS

Tornado siren tests will be made every Saturday at noon through the month of September. The warning system is used to alert the general public of any approaching tornadoes headed toward Waukeee. This system is an outdoor warning system and may not be heard if you are in a building or residence. If you hear the sirens go off, you should immediately seek shelter. Check on TV, radio stations and weather radios to try and find out about the tornado threat. If the warning sirens are blowing, a tornado has been sighted, and Waukeee is very likely to be in its path. For tornado safety tips, visit www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado. Stay safe and be alert to weather conditions around you!!

SAFETY CITY

Registration for Safety City is open and classes fill up quickly. Registration ends May 11 at 5:00 p.m. Class fee is \$50 per student which includes a t-shirt and bicycle helmet; cash or check accepted. Classes will be held in both morning and afternoon the weeks of June 11th and June 25th at the Waukeee Middle School at 905 Warrior Lane in Waukeee. Registration forms and program information can be found online at www.waukeee.org/citypolice.html or at the Waukeee Police Department.

BIKE TRAILS, BICYCLISTS AND JOGGERS

It is very important that motorists pay special attention to people on bike trails and sidewalks. Trail users also need to be aware that it is the law to stop and check for motorist traffic before crossing the intersection if there is a bike trail stop sign. Please use bike trails SAFELY.



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