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February's Important Dates and Meetings

- **CITY COUNCIL:** Monday, February 6 and 27; 5:30 p.m.
- **PLANNING & ZONING:** Tuesday, February 14 and 28; 7 p.m.
- **UTILITIES MEETING:** Tuesday, February 7; 6 p.m.
- **PARK BOARD:** Thursday, February 16; 6 p.m.
- **WAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** Tuesday, February 14; 6:30 p.m.; Library
- **CITY OFFICES CLOSED** February 20 in observance of President's Day

February 2012 Maple Street Community Center Activities

- **EXERCISE** will take place from 9:00–9:30 a.m. every day except for the following: Friday, February 3
- **CONGREGATE** meals are served every Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m.
- **SENIOR POT LUCK** is Friday, February 3 at 12 noon with Program/Business meeting following
- **WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO** will take place on Wednesday, February 15 at 1 p.m.
- **TRIAD** will take place on Wednesday, February 29 at 12 noon
- Any **QUESTIONS** please call 987-8390

Waukeee Public Library Friends and Foundation Annual Meeting – Join Us!

Interested in getting involved? The Waukeee Public Library Foundation and the Friends of the Waukeee Public Library raise money to support and enhance the library. You are invited to attend the joint annual meeting on Tuesday, February 7. The meeting will open with a potluck at 6:30 p.m. Table service and beverages will be provided. A short update by each of the Library groups will follow dinner. Please call 987-1280 if you can attend.

OLD PHOTOGRAPHS

Anyone having old photographs of Waukeee, please give us a call. We would like to make a copy of your picture to hang on our wall. Our phone number is 987-1073 and we can set up a time to pick up your photos or they can be dropped off at our office Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

WAUKEE CHRISTMAS DRIVE A HUGE SUCCESS!

We set a MAJOR record this year for families assisted by the Waukeee Christmas Drive: 126 families to include 341 children in our school district and 27 senior citizens! A big “thank you” to all who donated cash, toys, food, those who “adopted” families and those who delivered the items. It couldn’t have been done without all of your help. Again, Waukeee has come through to make a wonderful holiday for those less fortunate than us. Special “thank you” to Santa’s elves (volunteers). A special “thank you” to Ann Strong, who is in charge of taking care of all of the families, adoptions and all other things to do with the Waukeee Christmas Drive.

BULLYING

If you would like to report inappropriate behavior or a bullying situation that you have witnessed at any of the Waukeee Schools, please go to the <http://www.waukeee.k12.ia.us/students-and-parents/bullying/> website to visit an online reporting site. You do not have to include your personal information. If you are wanting to file a formal complaint, please go directly to your school and visit with an administrator or contact the Central Administration Office located at 560 SE University in Waukeee. Any complaints noted on the online site will be routed to the school administrators and the School Resource Officers (SRO).

SNOW ORDINANCE

If an inch or more of snow is forecast, Waukeee (along with most all other metro cities) will implement our snow ordinance. If the snow ordinance is put into effect during the overnight hours, consideration will be given to allow citizens time to move their vehicles the next morning.

Every attempt is made to get our streets clear of snow as quickly and safely as possible after a snow storm. Please give consideration to moving your vehicle off the street prior to retiring for the evening or departing for work in the morning when snow is forecast.

The ordinance is announced on the following television and radio stations: *Television:* KCCI (8), WHO (13), WOI (5), WAUKEE CABLE STATION (7). *Radio:* WHO, KKDM, KPTL, KXNO, KDRB, KIOA (AM & FM), KRNT (AM & FM), KSTZ, KAZR, KPSZ, KWKY, KJJY, KBGG (AM & FM), KGGG, KLTI, KHKI. *Internet:* Waukeee Facebook, Twitter and Nixle

If you are issued a violation citation the fine is \$25.00 and your vehicle could be impounded. For more details or for questions, please visit www.waukeee.org or call the Waukeee Police Department administrative office between the hours of 8 a.m.–5 p.m. Central time, Monday through Friday at 987-1073.

NIXLE

To be aware of alerts within the City of Waukeee sign up at nixle.com. Click on “register now.” This program is free and easy. Once registered, you will automatically receive information from the Waukeee Police Department by text, email or both.

PROHIBITED PARKING DURING SNOW EMERGENCY

\$502.17 – No person shall park, abandon or leave unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley or city-owned off-street parking area during any snow emergency proclaimed by the chief of police or his designee unless the snow has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area and the snow has ceased to fall. A snow emergency parking ban shall continue from its proclamation through the duration of the snow or ice storm and the forty-eight (48) hour period after cessation of such storm except as above provided upon streets, which have been fully opened.

OUTDOOR PETS

Citizens are urged to make sure their pets that are left outside are properly taken care of. Doghouses should be put out of the direct line of wind, be insulated and have sufficient, clean bedding. Remember to make sure pets have adequate food and fresh water daily. Dogs and cats are subject to hypothermia and frostbite. The Police Department receives calls each year concerning animals that are not being properly cared for. We do investigate these incidents. If we find an owner negligent, criminal charges could be filed and the animal removed from the property for its protection and medical treatment.

WAUKEE CRIME STOPPERS – SEE IT, HEAR IT, REPORT IT

Waukeee Crime Stoppers operates a confidential and anonymous crime-solving hotline. Rewards up to \$1,000 may be paid if the information you provide leads to an arrest and conviction. If you see or hear anything suspicious in your neighborhood or are aware of a crime and would like to report it through this process, call 987-9000. All callers can remain anonymous.

If you would like to help the Waukeee Crime Stoppers, please call the Waukeee Police Department at 987-1073 for more information.



MEET COUNCILMEMBER SHELLY HUGHES!

I am thrilled to be the newest elected member of the Waukeee City Council and am looking forward to the next few years. It’s an extremely exciting and important time in our city and I’m ready to dedicate myself to keeping Waukeee the premier community in the Des Moines area. We’re going to see a lot of changes in near future; in a city that’s experienced the growth we have – it’s an amazing opportunity to be a part of the momentum moving forward. With our downtown revitalization, Alice’s Road Interchange in the future and many, many more projects, we truly are the best place to be.

For the last eight years, I have had the privilege of being a stay-at-home mom. Prior to that, I attended school for Broadcasting and Journalism and was an Executive Assistant for a large commercial real estate company. My husband Brian and I have two young sons and chose Waukeee to establish their roots because of its small town feel, people, schools, safety and thriving atmosphere. I grew up on a farm in Northeast Iowa and value faith, family and friends. The people of Waukeee are what make this city and we have amazing people here: teachers, business owners, residents and leaders, from all walks of life. I know the important role community plays in family; it truly ‘takes a village’. I welcome any communication you choose to have with me and hope to help Waukeee attract more businesses while maintaining the safety and familiarity we rely on, and taking care of the people and businesses we already have.

I am thankful and honored to be chosen as your newest representative. I can be reached at: shelly.hughes@live.com or www.facebook.com/hughesforWaukeee or by telephone at 515-556-9928.



WAUKEE PARKS & RECREATION

Register online at www.waukeee.org under the “Play” tab.

2012 GIRLS RECREATION SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Waukeee Parks and Recreation offers a recreational girls’ softball league and we are asking for all girls to register from Kindergarten through 7th Grade. We separate the girls into 5 separate leagues. The season will run from middle of April through the first week of June. Online registration ends February 13, 2012. Register your daughter for the grade they are currently in for the 2011–2012 school year. Please call the Waukeee Parks and Recreation Department with any questions you have about the upcoming season. Volunteer coaches are needed!

Major League: 5th, 6th and 7th Grade	Fee: \$65
Minor League: 3rd and 4th Grade	Fee: \$65
Intermediate: 2nd Grade	Fee: \$55
T-Ball: 1st Grade	Fee: \$55
Pre T-Ball: Kindergarten	Fee: \$55

KIDS CAN COOK (SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 11, 18, 25)

This program is for boys and girls in 2nd–6th grade. We will combine food and fun while learning basic cooking skills. Participants will learn how to set the table, read recipes and proper table etiquette. Held at Maple Street Community Center (445 Maple Street). Min/Max: 8/14. Fee: \$32. Time: 10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

YOUTH BASKETBALL CLINIC (SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 4, 11, 18, 25)

This is an introductory clinic to teach young participants the basic skills of basketball, rules, and sportsmanship. Each week participants will be introduced to new skills and drills leading up to playing games at the end. Basketball clinic is open to boys and girls grades K-2. Min/Max: 10/16. Fee: \$30. Location: Eason Elementary. Time: *Session #1:* 9:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m. – *Session #2:* 10:15 a.m.–11:15a.m.



KEEPING FIRE HYDRANTS VISIBLE

The Waukeee Fire Department is asking everyone to keep snow cleared from fire hydrants located in the vicinity of their home or business. The hydrants need to be cleared of snow so firefighters can access them quickly, easily and safely during an emergency.

Difficulty finding or clearing a fire hydrant can pose serious problems for fire fighters in the midst of an emergency. Trucks carry 500-1,000 gallons of water, but each truck can pump more than 1,000 gallons a minute. In larger fires, several trucks pumping this volume of water is required and fire hydrants are needed to deliver that life-saving water.

When shoveling your sidewalk, take the extra time to dig out at least a foot around the hydrant down to the ground and all the way out to the street. This will allow fire fighters access to the hydrant.

Try to clear enough snow to make the hydrant visible. It could save a life, your home or your place of work.